# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the	Matter of the	: App	lication	of Duke	)	
Energy	Ohio, Inc.,	for	Approva	al of its	)	Case No. 13-0431-EL-POR
Energy	Efficiency	and	Peak	Demand	)	
Reduction Portfolio of Programs.					)	

## JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE HEARING

Now come Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., (Duke Energy Ohio), Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy, Greater Cincinnati Energy Alliance, The Kroger Company, EMC Development Company, Inc., Ohio Environmental Counsel, The Ohio Energy Group, Environmental Law & Policy Center, The Sierra Club, and the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (collectively, Joint Movants)<sup>1</sup>, in accordance with Rule 4901-1-13, Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), and hereby submit to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission) a Joint Motion to Continue the Hearing in the above-captioned case. Joint Movants further request an expedited ruling from the Commission on this issue. The procedural schedule in this proceeding directed the Intervenors to submit testimony on August 20, 2013, and scheduled an evidentiarly hearing for September 4, 2013. The Joint Movants have been meeting to discuss settlement of the issues raised by the Company's Application. The Joint Movants require additional time for negotiation and preparation of a potential stipulation to resolve the issues. The Joint Movants have made susbstantial progress in settlement discussions to date and it is anticipated that a potential stipulation could significantly abbreviate the time required for a hearing. Accordingly, for the reasons set forth in the accompanying memorandum in support, Joint Movants request

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel is not taking a position on the extension.

that the Commission continue the public hearing in this matter until April 29, 2013. Joint Movants further respectfully request that the Commission approve this motion in an expedited fashion.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Joint Movants,

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# MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF JOINT MOVANTS' MOTION TO CONTINUE TESTIMONY AND HEARING DATE

Pursuant to an Entry dated June 13, 2013, an procedural schedule was ordered in the above-captioned case. After meeting to work to resolve issues raised in the proceeding Joint Movants respectfully request that the date for testimony and the hearing in this proceeding be rescheduled to one week later, so that testimony would be due on August 27, 2013 and a hearing on the matter would be held on August 11, 2013. The Joint Movants believe that this one week extension of time will provide Joint Movants with valuable additional opportunity to reach a settlement to offer to the Commission for its adoption and approval. Joint Movants respectfully request that the Commission approve the attached Motion to Continue on an expedited basis, as permitted by Rule 4901-1-12(C), O.A.C.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Joint Movants,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing document was served this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2013, by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, or by electronic mail upon the persons listed below.

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