BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the Application of Republic Steel for Approval of a Unique Arrangement for Republic Steel's Lorain, Ohio Facility

Case No. 13-1913-EL-AEC

MEMORANDUM IN RESPONSE TO THE OHIO ENERGY GROUP'S MOTION FOR AMENDED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On October 9, 2013, the Ohio Energy Group ("OEG") moved to amend the procedural schedule in the above-captioned proceeding. Specifically, the OEG requested that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Commission") set deadlines to file testimony, continue the evidentiary hearing for a later date, and rule on the unopposed motions to intervene. In response, Applicant Republic Steel requests, pursuant to O.A.C. 4901-1-26, that the Commission schedule a prehearing conference to address the procedural issues raised by OEG and any other related issues that the Commission, the Attorney Examiner, or other parties wish to raise. A prehearing conference will promote a coordinated resolution of preliminary issues with input from all interested parties.

In regards to OEG's request to continue the evidentiary hearing for a later date, Republic Steel does not object to this request. Subject to the Commission's, the Attorney Examiner's, and the parties' availability Republic Steel requests that the evidentiary hearing be continued to December 4, 2013.

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Respectfully submitted,

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