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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
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Re: *In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., for
Authority to Establish a Standard Service Offer
Case Nos. 14-841-EL-SSO and 14-842-EL-ATA*

Dear Docketing Division:

Please accept this correspondence as providing a status report to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission) in respect of its April 2, 2015, Opinion and Order in the captioned matter. Specifically, in that Opinion and Order, the Commission directed Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., (Duke Energy Ohio or Company) to pursue the divestiture or transfer of its contractual investment in the Ohio Valley Electric Corporation (OVEC). The Commission further directed the Company to inform the Commission, on an annual basis, of such efforts.

Subsequent to the issuance of the Commission's Opinion and Order, Duke Energy Ohio filed an application for rehearing. Therein, among other issues, Duke Energy Ohio questioned the Commission's ability to direct the Company's contractual investments or undertakings, including its investment in OVEC. On May 28, 2015, the Commission granted Duke Energy Ohio's application for rehearing. Because Duke Energy Ohio believes that the Commission cannot dictate its investment in, or contractual relationship with, OVEC and future litigation may result so as to resolve the scope of the Commission's authority in this regard, Duke Energy Ohio is not now in the process of attempting to divest its interest in OVEC.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

Amy B. Spiller

cc: Parties of Record

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Summary: Report Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.'s Status Report electronically filed by Dianne Kuhnell on behalf of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. and Spiller, Amy B. and Watts, Elizabeth H. and Kingery, Jeanne W.