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**Re: Ohio Edison Company, Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company,
and the Toledo Edison Company, Case No. 16-743-EL-POR**

Dear Examiner Bulgrin:

The Ohio Hospital Association (“OHA”) will not be filing written direct testimony in this proceeding. OHA is opposed to the Stipulation and Recommendation (“Stipulation”) that was filed on December 9, 2016 and intends to oppose the Stipulation during the hearing and in post-hearing briefs.

OHA notes the difficulty it has had with obtaining discovery responses from The Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company and The Toledo Edison Company (the “Companies”) during this proceeding. In fact, OHA did not receive documents responsive its December 19, 2016 requests for production of documents until January 10, 2017, the deadline for filing testimony in opposition to the Stipulation. This was only after OHA was forced to file a motion to compel with the Commission, which was granted on January 6, 2017.

Therefore, to the extent that OHA’s rights continue to be prejudiced by discovery delays, OHA reserves the right to potentially seek a continuance of the current procedural schedule and may request an opportunity to file testimony before the hearing.

Sincerely yours,

Devin D. Parram

Cc: Parties of Record

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