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Eramet Marietta Inc. ("Eramet") hereby respectfully moves the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 4903.221, Revised Code, and Rule 4901-1-11, Ohio Administrative Code ("O.A.C."), for leave to intervene in the abovecaptioned matter with the full powers and rights granted by the Commission, specifically by statute or by the provisions of the O.A.C., to intervening parties. On August 1, 2017, Ohio Power Company ("AEP-Ohio") filed an application to adjust its Economic Development Cost Recovery Rider ("EDR") rate. On August 16, 2017, AEP-Ohio made a revised filing to correct an error in its application. Both the application and revised filing include Eramet-specific information filed under seal.

As demonstrated further in the Memorandum in Support, Eramet has a direct, real, and substantial interest in the issues and matters involved in the above-captioned proceeding and is so situated that the disposition of this proceeding may, as a practical matter, impair or impede its ability to protect that interest. Eramet believes that its participation will not unduly prolong or delay this proceeding and that it will significantly contribute to the full development and equitable resolution of the factual and other issues in this proceeding. The interests of Eramet will not be adequately represented by other parties to the proceeding and, as such, Eramet is entitled to intervene with the full powers and rights granted by the Commission, specifically by statute and by the provisions of Commission rules to intervening parties.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

In support of this Motion to Intervene, Eramet states that it is a mercantile customer currently taking service from AEP-Ohio pursuant to a Commission-approved reasonable arrangement. As a result, the economic development amounts that AEP-Ohio seeks to recover through its EDR, which is being updated through this proceeding, are generated by Eramet's reasonable arrangement, among others.

Given that Eramet's customer-specific information is being used by AEP-Ohio to support its requested EDR update, Eramet may be affected by AEP-Ohio's proposed changes to its EDR rate. This potential vests Eramet with a direct, real, and substantial interest in the issues and matters involved in the above-captioned proceeding, the disposition of which may impair or impede its ability to protect that interest.

For the aforementioned reasons, Eramet has a direct, real, and substantial interest in the issues and matters involved in the above-captioned proceeding that will only be protected by its participation in this proceeding. Therefore, Eramet hereby requests that the Commission grant its intervention with the full powers and rights granted by the Commission, specifically by statute and by the provisions of the O.A.C., to intervening parties.

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