

May 16, 2018

Chairman Asim Z Haque Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

DP&L Rate Proceeding Case no. 15-1830-EL-AIR

## Dear Chairman Haque:

I am writing to you today to express my support for Dayton Power & Light in its current rate proposal. DP&L is an integral part of our community, playing a critical role in driving economic development, supporting local organizations and enhancing the overall quality of life. We believe DP&L has taken a fair approach with a reasonable rate increase that ensures reliable service and rate stability.

DP&L has been working with our organization since 2015.

- DP&L was one of two initial private funders that allowed us to establish the CEP. Our first true public/private partnership organization for economic development.
- DP&L financial support has allowed the CEP to increase marketing efforts through our website as well as serving on an ad hoc marketing committee. Our viewership on the website as well as social media continues to increase. We are able to publish quarterly newsletters that are available to the community and on the web. The opportunity to respond to RFIs by the increase of electrical capacity to the West Champaign Commerce Park has intensified over the past few months as well.
- DP&L is a vital partner in the Champaign County economic development activities.
   Response time to issues of new businesses have been a huge assistance to foster the true partnership that is needed to continue our growth. The CEP as an organization has been able to grow the services provided through the financial support of DP&L.

We are fortunate to be one of many organizations benefiting from the involvement of DP&L employees and the company's support. You'll find DP&L employees serving on non-profit boards, volunteering for community events and mentoring young people through local organizations. The CEP was a recipient of a community grant that enabled us to further our marketing efforts of Champaign County.



## "Working Together for Success"



The company and the DP&L Foundation reinvest in all the communities it serves to contribute to the overall quality of life in our region. With a history of helping the Miami Valley grow for over 100 years, DP&L is a partner we have come to depend upon.

In speaking for the CEP, we are strong believers in working together for success. DP&L is one of the valuable partners that makes the working together for success possible.

Sincerely,

Marcia Bailey Director





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Dear Chairman Hague:

I write to you today to express support for Dayton Power & Light in its current rate proposal. DP&L is an integral part of our community and the Preble County Development Partnership (PCDP). As an investor of the PCDP, DP&L plays a critical role in driving economic development, supporting local organizations and enhancing the overall quality of life in Preble County. We believe DP&L has taken a fair approach with a reasonable rate increase that ensures reliable service and rate stability.

I have been the Economic Development Director for 3 ½ years and count on our DP&L contacts as an essential partner. DP&L has been working closely with our organization since its conception in 2010.

- The PCDP applied for and received a \$20,000 grant through DP&L's Regional Economic Development funding source. This grant allowed us to update and merge our Community and Economic Development Strategy and Land Use Plan. These documents had not been updated since 2000 and 2003. We contracted the services of an engineering/land surveying firm to assist in this process.
- Georgene Dawson and Ben Vollrath are our region's contacts. We depend on the information they provide for
  each JobsOhio project that requires utility information on the RFI or site visit. They are timely and accurate 100%
  of the time! Georgene is a valued Trustee on our PCDP Board and is engaged on our marketing committee as well.
- Infrastructure, reasonable utility costs, reliable service, investment in our community, and visibility as an economic
  development partner at community events and site selector meetings are invaluable contributions to our rural
  county.

We are fortunate to be one of many organizations benefiting from the involvement of DP&L employees and the company's support. DP&L and the Foundation continue to reinvest in all the communities it serves. I hear this from many Economic Development partners across the Miami Valley. With more than 100 years of contribution and participation in helping our region grow, we have come to depend upon our DP&L partners.

Thank you for your support of economic and workforce development in Preble County and to the Dayton Region. We look forward to continuing to work together with our partners to address important growth and development issues as our mission is to advance, encourage and promote the industrial, commercial and civic development of Preble County, Ohio.

Sincerely,

Brenda Latanza

Director, Economic Development

Preble County Development Partnership

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