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Ms. Barcy F. McNeal, Secretary
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Case No. 18-563-EL-ATA

Dear Ms. McNeal:

This correspondence responds to the November 29, 2018 filing from The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company ("CEI") in this proceeding proposing a modified pole attachment rate. By way of background, the Ohio Cable Telecommunications Association ("OCTA") challenged CEI's pole attachment rate of \$12.23 that was initially proposed in this proceeding. The OCTA filed objections opposing the pole attachment rate. The OCTA's Application for Rehearing is pending before the Commission.

Pursuant to the stipulation in Case No. 18-1604-EL-UNC, et al., CEI filed a request in this proceeding on November 29, 2018, to modify the pole attachment rate to \$11.88. The pole attachment rate of \$11.88 reflects the inclusion of CEI's excess accumulated deferred income tax ("EDIT") balance as of December 31, 2017 (along with the other year-end 2017 data). The OCTA does not oppose the \$11.88 pole attachment rate and there are no other intervenors in this proceeding.

Through this letter, the OCTA notifies the Commission that, contingent upon the Commission approving CEI's proposed pole attachment rate of \$11.88, the OCTA agrees to withdraw its Application for Rehearing filed on July 30, 2018. The Commission's approval of the \$11.88 pole attachment rate would resolve the rate-calculation issue in this proceeding.

Additionally, it is the OCTA's understanding based on discussions with CEI that when this revised rate is approved, CEI's next pole attachment invoices will charge for the attachments over the annual period at the \$11.88 per-pole rate and not apply the \$12.23 rate at all. Accordingly, the Commission should not delay in resolving this matter and the OCTA urges

the Commission to issue a ruling promptly approving the \$11.88 pole attachment rate based on the totality of year-end 2017 data.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,



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