BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Duke) Energy Ohio, Inc., for Recovery of) Program Costs, Lost Distribution) Revenue, and Performance Incentives) Related to its Energy Efficiency and) Demand Response Programs.)

Case No. 19-622-EL-RDR

OHIO PARTNERS FOR AFFORDABLE ENERGY'S MOTION TO INTERVENE AND MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy ("OPAE") hereby respectfully moves for leave to intervene in the above-captioned matter pursuant to R.C. §4903.221 and Rule 4901-1-11 of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's ("Commission") Code of Rules and Regulations, with full powers and rights granted by the Commission specifically, by statute or by the provisions of the Commission's Code of Rules and Regulations to intervening parties. The reasons for granting this motion are contained in the memorandum attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO INTERVENE

Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy ("OPAE") moves to intervene in this

matter pursuant to Section 4903.22.1, Revised Code, and the Commission's

Code of Rules and Regulations contained in Rule 4901-01-11 of the Ohio

Administrative Code. The Commission, in ruling upon a motion to intervene in its

proceedings, shall consider the following criteria:

- (1) The nature and extent of the intervenor's interest.
- (2) The legal position advanced by the prospective intervenor and its probable relationship to the merits of the case.
- (3) Whether the intervention by the prospective intervenor will unduly prolong or delay the proceeding.
- (4) Whether the prospective intervenor will significantly contribute to the full development and equitable resolution of the factual issues.

As an Ohio non-profit corporation with a stated purpose of advocating for

affordable energy policies for low and moderate income Ohioans, OPAE has a

real and substantial interest in this proceeding. Moreover, the membership of

OPAE includes a number of non-profit organizations with facilities receiving

electric service from Duke Energy Ohio ("Duke").¹ Residential customers,

¹ OPAE's membership list can be found at: <u>www.opae.org</u>.

including OPAE's low-income bill payment assistance and weatherization clients, will be affected by Duke's application. Non-residential customers, such as OPAE's non-profit organizations, will also be affected.

OPAE has been an intervenor in Duke's applications for recovery of program costs, lost distribution revenue, and performance incentives related to Duke's Energy Efficiency and Demand Response ("EE/PDR") programs. OPAE was an intervenor in Duke's Case No. 11-4393-EL-RDR, in which the Commission approved a stipulation, signed by OPAE and other parties, to establish cost recovery methods for Duke's Rider EE/PDR. OPAE was also an intervenor in Duke's Case No. 13-753-EL-RDR, which addressed calendar year program costs for 2012 and expected costs for 2013. OPAE was also an intervenor in Case No. 14-457-EL-RDR, which addressed calendar year program costs for 2013 and expected costs for 2014 and in Case No. 15-534-EL-RDR, which addressed calendar year 2014 costs and expected 2015 costs.

OPAE's participation in this matter will not cause undue delay, will not unjustly prejudice any existing party, and will contribute to the just and expeditious resolution of the issues raised in this proceeding. Furthermore, other parties to the proceeding will not adequately represent the interests of OPAE. The extensive background of OPAE and its membership provides a unique and important viewpoint on matters at issue in this case.

Therefore, OPAE is entitled to intervene with the full powers and rights granted by the Commission specifically, by statute, and by the provisions of the Commission's Codes of Rules and Regulations to intervening parties.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Motion to Intervene and

Memorandum of Support will be served by the Commission's Docketing Division

by electronic mail upon the persons identified below on this 3rd day of May 2019.

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