

April 29th , 2020

Samuel C. Randazzo, Chairman
The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: Support for Duke Energy Electric Transportation Pilot Program, Case No. 19-1750-EL-UNC, *et al.*

Dear Mr. Randazzo:

I write on behalf of the Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber and request you approve Duke Energy Ohio's application for its proposed Electric Transportation Pilot Program. The pilot's purpose is to study the impact electric vehicles will have on the electric grid and how Duke Energy Ohio can help prepare for their adoption. We support this proposal as it closely aligns with our work to create a more connected region in Southwest Ohio and the broader region.

Specifically, the Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber supports the five main goals of the pilot, which are to:

- Deploy a foundational level of fast charging infrastructure across the Duke Energy Ohio service territory
- Study the effects of increasing adoption of multiple types of electric vehicles
- Study customer charging behavior
- Ascertain the potential financial and environmental benefits to the state of Ohio

The Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber represents nearly 4,000 businesses across Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana. We have had discussions with Duke Energy Ohio regarding the potential benefits this program could bring our region as we work to connect more people to jobs, education, health care and all that our region has to offer.

The proposed ET pilot will help our region meet our needs and ultimately transform the future of transportation and air quality in the Greater Cincinnati Area.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me for more information. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Katie Eagan
Vice President, Government Affairs

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