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RE: *In the Matter of the Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and The Toledo Edison Company's Compliance with R.C. 4928.17 and Ohio Am. Code Chapter 4901:1-37, Case No. 17-974-EL-UNC.*

Dear Docketing Division:

Enclosed please find the Staff Letter in regard to the selection of an auditor in Case No. 17-974-EL-UNC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Doris E. McCarter".

Doris E. McCarter, Supervisor
Grid Modernization and Retail Markets
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Enclosure
Cc: Parties of Record

January 7, 2021

Commissioners,

Staff respectfully requests that the Commission select Daymark Energy Advisors, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as “Daymark”) to perform the audit ordered of Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and The Toledo Edison Company (collectively, the “Companies”) on December 2, 2020 in Case No. 17-974-EL-UNC.

On December 2, 2020, the Commission selected Marcum LLP and directed the Companies to enter into a contract with Marcum LLP to perform the auditing services described in the RFP and its proposal regarding the Companies’ compliance with Ohio’s laws and the Commissions’ rules regarding corporate separation found in R.C. 4928.17 and Ohio Adm. Code 4901:1-37.

As of the date of this letter, the Companies, in consultation with Staff, have been unable to enter into a contract with Marcum LLP.

In consideration of this fact and upon further review by Staff, we respectfully recommend the Commission select Daymark to perform the audit ordered by the Commission in Case No. 17-974-EL-UNC. During review of the proposal submitted in response to the RFP, Staff believes that Daymark demonstrated the necessary skills and experience to complete the required work.

Further, due to the delays described above and in consideration of the estimates shared in Daymark’s proposal, Staff believes the deadline for completion of the audit report should be extended to June 21, 2021.



Doris E. McCarter, Supervisor
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