

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the 2020 Review of the)
Delivery Capital Recovery Rider of Ohio)
Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric) Case No. 20-1629-EL-RDR
Illuminating Company, and The Toledo)
Edison Company.)

REPLY COMMENTS OF THE OHIO HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION

The Ohio Hospital Association (“OHA”) believes the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (“PUCO” or Commission”) should follow the auditors’ recommendation regarding refunds as stated in the Delivery Capital Recovery Rider (“DCR Rider”) audit report.¹ FirstEnergy conceded that a majority of the auditors’ recommendations should be followed by the Commission, including the customer refunds.² However, OHA does not believe the auditors’ recommendations go far enough to make customers whole or protect customers. OHA supports The Office of the Ohio Consumers Counsel (“OCC”) recommendation for the payment of interest on funds FirstEnergy is obligated to refund customers. In addition, OHA supports OCC’s and the Ohio Manufacturing Association’s call for a broader management investigation. This is necessary to determine if misuse of ratepayer dollars occurred and whether mismanagement by FirstEnergy resulted in improper charges to customers, including hospitals. This type of investigation will allow the Commission to better understand the factors at hand and will provide insight to prevent the same kind of conduct in the future.

¹ Pages 26-28 of the Expanded Scope DCR Audit Report.

² Pg. 2 of the FirstEnergy Comments.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of
THE OHIO HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing Comments was served upon the parties of record listed below this 14th day of October 2021 *via* electronic mail.



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