BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Annual Application of)	
Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for an Adjustment)	Case No. 21-618-GA-RDR
to the Capital Expenditure Program Rider.)	

UNOPPOSED MOTION TO MODIFY THE PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE AND REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED RULING

I. INTRODUCTION

Now comes Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke Energy Ohio or Company), by and through counsel, and hereby moves the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission), in accordance with Rule 4901-1-12(C), Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), for a brief extension of the deadline in the existing procedural schedule to allow additional settlement discussions. As the current procedural schedule contemplates the filing of a statement by Duke Energy Ohio as to existence of any unresolved issues or objections and the need for an expedited hearing process by Monday, November 22, 2021, the Company requests expedited treatment of this motion. The Company has discussed this extension request with all of the parties and there is no opposition to either the extension or the expedited treatment of this request.

For the reasons more fully set forth in the attached memorandum in support, Duke Energy Ohio respectfully requests that the Commission grant this motion on an expedited basis, pursuant to O.A.C. Rule 4901-1-12(C).

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

By Entry dated October 25, 2021, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission) established a procedural schedule in this proceeding as follows:

- Deadline for the filing of motions to intervene is November 8, 2021;
- Deadline for any intervening party to file comments on either Duke's application or the Staff Report is November 8, 2021;
- Deadline for Duke to file a statement notifying the Commission as to the existence
 of any unresolved issues or objections and the need for an expedited hearing process
 is November 22, 2021;¹

The parties to this proceeding have been engaged in active settlement discussions. Despite diligent efforts, the parties have not yet been able to finalize the unresolved issues. The Company respectfully submits that an additional three weeks is necessary, reasonable, and in the best interests of all stakeholders, as it may result in the efficient resolution of all substantial issues in this case. Accordingly, Duke Energy Ohio requests that the Commission amend the procedural schedule such that a deadline for Duke Energy Ohio to file a statement notifying the Commission as to the existence of any unresolved issues or objections and the need for an expedited hearing process would be December 10, 2021. The Company is not requesting any additional changes to the procedural schedule at this time.

Expedited treatment is necessary for this motion as the deadline for the filing of a statement notifying the Commission as to the existence of any unresolved issues or objections and the need for an expedited hearing is currently set for Monday, November 22, 2021. None of the parties to this proceeding object to the additional time or the expedited treatment requested herein.

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¹ In the Matter of the Annual Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for an Adjustment to the Capital Expenditure Program Rider, Case No. 21-618-GA-RDR, Entry, p. 4, (October 25, 2021).

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated herein, the Company requests that the Commission grant this motion and establish a revised procedural schedule to allow an additional three weeks, to file a statement notifying the Commission as to the existence of any unresolved issues or objections and the need for an expedited hearing.

Respectfully submitted,
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing Unopposed Motion to Modify the Procedural Schedule and Request for Expedited Ruling was served via electronic mail or ordinary mail on the following this 19th day of November, 2021.

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