

January 21, 2022

Ms. Nicci Crocker **Utility Specialist** Regulatory Services, Rates, and Analysis Department Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 3rd Floor, 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215-3793

Re: Case No. 21-618-GA-RDR—Blue Ridge Consulting Services, Inc. Change Order Request to Contract for Services for Plant-in-Service and Capital Expenditure Program Audit

Dear Ms. Crocker:

On behalf of Blue Ridge, thank you for the opportunity to assist the Commission and its Staff in the audit of plant in service and capital expenditure program of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.—Natural Gas ("Duke" or "Company") in Case 21-618-GA-RDR.

In this project, an adjustment (#7 in the original report) was concluded based on intial erroneous timing provided by the Company for when a work order was placed into service. Corrective information, received after the report was filed required Blue Ridge to investigate the adjustment further and issue a supplemental report addressing the confusion, removing the adjustment and recalculating the revenue requirement.

The additional analysis required, reevaluation of the adjustment, recalculation of the revenue requirements, and the issuance of the supplemental report have resulted in costs beyond the project budget. To cover the expected hearing costs and other professional services going forward, Blue Ridge is requesting a change order.

To support the project going forward to completion, Blue Ridge proposes a change order total of \$7,780.00 above the contract's specified total of \$119,795 for an adjusted not-to-exceed total of \$127,575.

If I can provide you with any additional information or answer any questions concerning this request, I can be reached at 864-420-8084. Thank you for your consideration regarding this request for a change order.

Sincerely,

Dorma H. Mullings Donna Mullinax President

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Summary: Letter of Notification Case No. 21-618-GA-RDR—Blue Ridge Consulting Services, Inc. Change Order Request to Contract for Services for Plant-in-Service and Capital Expenditure Program Audit electronically filed by Mrs. Tracy M. Klaes on behalf of Blue Ridge Consulting Services, Inc