

**BEFORE THE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

THOMAS GALLAGHER,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
vs.)	CASE NO. 21-0864-EL-CSS
)	
THE CLEVELAND ELECTRIC)	
ILLUMINATING COMPANY,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

**THE CLEVELAND ELECTRIC ILLUMINATING COMPANY’S MOTION FOR
PROTECTIVE ORDER**

Pursuant to O.A.C. 4901-1-24(D), The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (“CEI”) moves for a protective order keeping confidential the information identified on Attachment A, which includes the following customer-specific information:

- Complainant Thomas Gallagher’s (“Complainant”) electric consumption history and outstanding account balance.

Ohio Adm. Code 4901:1-10-24(E) prohibits disclosure by an electric distribution utility of customer-specific information. A Memorandum in Support of this Motion is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (“CEI”) requests that the Commission protect from public disclosure the following customer-specific information, which is contained and/or referenced in CEI’s Initial Post-Hearing Brief:

- Complainant Thomas Gallagher’s (“Complainant”) electric consumption history and outstanding account balance.

The referenced information is pertinent to the issues raised in this matter and is contained and/or referenced in CEI’s Initial Post-Hearing Brief. However, it is also the type of customer-specific information that CEI generally deems to be confidential.

Ohio law and the Commission’s rules provide for the protection of such confidential and proprietary information. Specifically, O.A.C. 4901-1-24(A) provides the Commission may issue:

[A]ny order that is necessary to protect a party or person from annoyance, embarrassment, oppression, or undue burden or expense. Such a protective order may provide that: . . .
(7) A trade secret or other confidential research, development, commercial, or other information not be disclosed or be disclosed only in a designated way.

Pursuant to O.A.C. 4901-1-24(D), the Commission also may issue an order to protect the confidentiality of information contained in documents filed with the Commission to the extent that state or federal law prohibits the release of the information and where non-disclosure of the information is not inconsistent with the purposes of Title 49 of the Revised Code. Here, the information CEI seeks to protect is customer-specific information that CEI generally deems to be confidential; thus, it warrants the Commission’s protection, and non-disclosure is not inconsistent with the purposes of Title 49. The Commission and its Staff will have full access to the information in order to fulfill their statutory obligations.

For the foregoing reasons, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company requests that the Commission protect from public disclosure the documents and information referenced in Attachment A, which is contained in CEI's Initial Post-Hearing Brief.

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ATTACHMENT A

Post-Hearing Brief

- Page 2: Details of Complainant's consumption.
- Page 8: Details of Complainant's consumption.
- Page 9: Details of Complainant's consumption.
- Page 12: Reference to Complainant's undisputed outstanding balance.
- Page 14 (Appendix A): Details of Complainant's consumption.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On September 30, 2022, the foregoing document was filed on the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's Docketing Information System. The PUCO's e-filing system will electronically serve notice of the filing of this document on all parties of record in this proceeding. A service copy has been sent by U.S. Mail on this 30th day of September 2022 to the Complainant at the following address:

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