BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

| In the Matter of the Application of |) | |
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| the Ohio Department of |) | |
| Development for an Order |) | Case No. 22-556-EL-USF |
| Approving Adjustments to the |) | |
| Universal Service Fund Riders. |) | |

DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC.'S MEMORANDUM JOINING OHIO DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT AND AES OHIO'S MEMORANDUM CONTRA THE OFFICE OF THE OHIO CONSUMERS' COUNSEL'S MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke Energy Ohio or the Company) writes in support and hereby joins the memoranda in opposition filed on November 25, 2022 by AES Ohio, Inc. and November 28, 2022 by the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD), opposing the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel's attempts to amend, lengthen, or otherwise change the procedural schedule in the underlying case. As stated more eloquently in both of those filings, the express purpose of the application phase of the USF proceeding at this point in time is to mathematically apply the methodologies approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (the Commission) in its October 5, 2022 Notice of Intent Order. This purpose is to affirm 2022 test year data, and the 2023 USF rider rates.

OCC has presented no good cause to extend the procedural schedule to rehash its previous arguments, which were rejected by the Commission in its October 5, 2022 Order. Its request to delay the hearing, and likewise the adjustment of USF Rider rates as of January 1, 2023, is not in

good faith. For all of the reasons set forth by ODOD and AES Ohio, the Commission should reject this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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