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Docketing Division Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus OH 43215

RE: In the Matter of Ohio Power Company to Adjust The Economic Development Cost Recovery Rider Rate, Case No. 23-101-EL-RDR.

Dear Docketing Division:

Enclosed please find the Staff's Review and Recommendations regarding the application filed by Ohio Power Company to adjust its Economic Development Cost Recovery Rider Rate, Case No. 23-101-EL-RDR.

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### Ohio Power Company Case No. 23-101-EL-RDR

### SUMMARY

On January 31, 2023, Ohio Power Company (Company) filed an application for approval to adjust its Economic Development Cost Recovery Rider (EDR). The EDR provides the Company with timely recovery of costs resulting from Commission-approved reasonable arrangements, the costs associated with interruptible credits provided to customers under the company's Interruptible Power Rider (IRP Rider), and the Automaker Credit Rider.

According to the application, the Company proposes to adjust the EDR percentage from its current level of 3.77608% to 1.87650%. This percentage is applied to a customer's base distribution bill to determine the amount to charge or credit a customer's monthly bill.

The proposed EDR rate includes a forecasted over recovery of \$1,861,928 as of March 31, 2023, and a forecasted delta revenue, including carrying costs equal to \$10,586,935 from April 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023. The total proposed revenue requirement for the period of April 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023 is \$8,725,007, resulting in the proposed rate of 1.87650%.

The proposed EDR includes delta revenue amounts that result from reasonable arrangements approved by this Commission in Case No. 17-2132-EL-AEC with JSW Steel Ohio, Inc. and Case No. 19-124-EL-AEC with PRO-TEC Coating Company, LLC. In addition, the EDR includes costs associated with the company's IRP Tariff and the Automaker Credit Rider.

The Company requests that the updated EDR rate become effective on the first billing cycle for April 2023.

### STAFF REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Staff's investigation was designed to ensure that the Company's policies and practices comport with sound ratemaking principles and Commission policies, confirm that its books and records are reliable sources of cost data, and ultimately determine if the Application request is just and reasonable. Based on that investigation, the Staff concludes that the proposed EDR rate accurately reflects the current and projected costs the Company has proposed to include through September 30, 2023.

## CONCLUSION

The Staff believes that the application filed on January 31, 2023, accurately reflects the current and projected costs the Company has proposed to include in its EDR and recommends approval of the application for the proposed rates to become effective on the first billing cycle for April 2023.

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