

**BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of the	)	
Ohio Department of Development to	)	Case No. 23-779-EL-UNC
Adjust Ohio Power Company's 2023	)	
Universal Service Fund Rider Rate.	)	

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**REPLY COMMENTS  
SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF  
THE STAFF OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

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Respectfully submitted,

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**On Behalf of the Staff of  
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On July 25, 2023, the Ohio Department of Development (“ODOD”) filed an Application to Adjust Ohio Power Company’s 2023 Universal Service Fund Rider Rate. Pursuant to the Attorney Examiner’s July 28, 2023 Entry, initial and reply comments regarding ODOD’s application were to be filed by August 14, 2023 and August 21, 2023. On August 14, 2023, initial comments were filed by Ohio Power Company and the Office of the Ohio Consumers’ Counsel.

The Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (“Staff”) is continuing to investigate this application. Staff will file a letter regarding its investigation and analysis in the docket soon.

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the **Reply Comments** on behalf of the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, has been served upon the below-named counsel via electronic mail, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2023.

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