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September 11, 2023

Tanowa Troupe  
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
Docketing Division  
180 East Broad Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: *In the Matter of the Capital Expenditure Program Rider of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.*,  
PUCO Case No. 23-618-GA-RDR

Dear Ms. Troupe:

The above-captioned proceeding was initiated by the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Staff) on January 3, 2023, by a letter to the docketing division asking that a new docket for Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.'s (Duke Energy Ohio or the Company) Capital Expenditure Program Rider be opened. On February 22, 2023, Staff issued a request for a proposal for audit services to assist the Commission with the review of the necessity, prudence, and reasonableness of capital expenditures and deferrals of the Company for the period of January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022 (the Audit Report). Such Audit Report was issued and docketed with the Commission in the underlying case on August 15, 2023. On August 30, 2023, Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio submitted its Corrected Staff Review and Recommendation regarding the underlying Audit Report. As of September 8, 2023—the intervention deadline—no parties have filed for intervention in this proceeding. This letter is submitted to advise the Attorney Examiner that from the Company's perspective, no hearing is needed. The Company does not plan to contest the Staff's Review and Recommendation. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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Summary: Correspondence Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.'s Perspective on Setting  
Hearing electronically filed by Mrs. Minna Sunderman on behalf of D'Ascenzo,  
Rocco and Kingery, Jeanne and Akhbari, Elyse and Duke Energy Ohio, Inc..