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Re: *In the Matter of the Review of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.'s Distribution Storm Rider, Case No. 23-126-EL-RDR, et al.*

On September 15, 2023, Duke Energy Ohio (Duke or Company) filed Initial Comments regarding Staff's Review and Recommendation. Duke objects to Staff's disallowance of a storm that occurred on November 5, 2022.

Here, Staff has not departed from its past practices. As part of its review of the Distribution Storm Rider, Staff must ensure that each storm rises to the level of a Major Event as defined by Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-10-01(T). Typically, Staff relies on the Company's Rule 10 Report, which lists its major event outages. On rare occasion, an individual storm may qualify for recovery and be excluded from that section if, for example, the storm is reported as a Transmission Outage instead.

Duke reported the November storm as a Transmission Outage. Following Staff's Review and Recommendation, Staff met with and received additional support from Duke. Staff confirms that the November storm qualifies as a Major Event and agrees with Duke that the November storm should be allowed for recovery.

Staff's revised recommended revenue requirement is \$13,910,874.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Natalia Messenger  
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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

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Summary: Staff Review and Recommendation - Update electronically filed by Zee  
Molter on behalf of PUCO Staff.