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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

**Re: Petition of FirstEnergy Companies for Approval to Establish and Implement a Distribution System Improvement Charge, Consolidated
Docket No. P-2015-2508942, P-2015-2508936, P-2015-2508931, and P-2015-2508948**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

I am delivering for filing today the Prehearing Memorandum, on behalf of the Office of Small Business Advocate, in the above-captioned proceeding. I respectfully request that a copy of any documents filed in this case be shared as well with our Witness at the address below.


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Copies will be served on all known parties in this proceeding, as indicated on the attached Certificate of Service.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,


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Enclosures

cc: The Honorable Joel H. Cheskis
Parties of Record

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PREHEARING MEMORANDUM

On January 19, 2017, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) entered its Opinion and Order in the FirstEnergy Companies’ consolidated base rate case at Docket Nos. R-2016-2537349, R-2016-2537352, R-2016-2537355, and R-2016-2537359, in which the Commission approved a partial settlement of the base rate cases. In that Opinion and Order, the Commission referred a single unresolved issue, the impact of newly passed Act 40 upon the calculation of the DSIC, to this consolidated proceeding.

The Office of Small Business Advocate (“OSBA”) is a party to both the DSIC proceeding and the base rates proceeding, and is a signatory to the settlement in the base rates proceeding. The OSBA will participate in the March 6, 2017, Prehearing Conference scheduled for this issue. However, the OSBA did not take a position nor did it submit testimony with respect to the Act 40 issue that was carved out of the base rates proceeding below for adjudication here. Therefore, the OSBA does not anticipate doing much more than monitoring the progress of this phase of this DSIC proceeding, while still reserving its right to fully participate in the matter if necessary to assure that the interests of Pennsylvania’s small business

customers are protected.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing have been served via email and/or first-class mail (unless other noted below) upon the following persons, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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