



# Public Utilities Commission

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**RE: Records Request 192-21**

Dear Ms. Kowalski:

Thank you for contacting the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO). I am writing in response to your public records request for records produced by the PUCO in response to U.S. Department of Justice subpoenas issued on April 23, 2021 and May 18, 2021.

The PUCO is fully cooperating with the U.S. Department of Justice. The enclosed records are a portion of records identified in response to your public records request, which have been reviewed and are ready for production. The PUCO is continuing our ongoing review of records, which is anticipated to take additional time. Please note, many of the records identified as potentially responsive to these subpoenas may be exempt from disclosure as a public record and, consequently, legal review is ongoing. For example, personally identifiable information, such as social security numbers, which are prohibited by law from release, as well as confidential trade secret records, under R.C. 1333.61 et seq. are part of the ongoing public records review. Therefore, we will be supplementing our public records response.

As the PUCO continues its review of records identified in response to the subpoena, we will supplement this production. While no records identified as part of this initial production have been withheld or redacted, that may not be the case for future productions. If so, the PUCO will specify the applicable laws and/or rules supporting withholding or redacting such records in our supplement productions.

If you require any further assistance or have additional questions, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Donald Leming  
Deputy Legal Director