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January 28, 1997

Members of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
One White Flint North Building  
11555 Rockville Pike  
Rockville MD 20852

Dear Commission Members:

At the regular meeting of Council held on January 21, 1997, a resolution of support for the merger of Centerior Energy and Ohio Edison under a new holding company called FirstEnergy was passed.

I am forwarding a copy of Resolution 96-42 for your consideration pursuant to the directions contained in Section 2 of the legislation.

Sincerely,

Beverly J. Munro  
Clerk of Council

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CITY OF FAIRVIEW PARK

RESOLUTION NO. 96 - 42

REQUESTED BY: MAYOR KARL KUBB

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN DePOLO

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE MERGER OF CENTERIOR ENERGY CORPORATION AND OHIO EDISON UNDER A NEW HOLDING COMPANY CALLED FIRSTENERGY**

**WHEREAS**, Centerior is a valued cooperative citizen, significant taxpayer and major employer in the city of Fairview Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the merger of Centerior Energy Corporation and Ohio Edison would create a \$5 billion, Fortune 300 company; and

**WHEREAS**, this new company would become the nation's 11<sup>th</sup> largest investor-owned electric system; Ohio's largest taxpayer, with \$516 million in annual payments; and one of the state's top 20 employers; and

**WHEREAS**, the merger would keep jobs in Ohio, where 87 percent of FirstEnergy's revenues are generated, 77 percent of its kilowatt-hours and revenues are sold, and 75 percent of its employees with advanced degrees graduated from our state's institutions of higher learning; and

**WHEREAS**, this merger would create a larger enterprise with more resources - offering customers better electric service and a wider array of energy-related products at lower costs over the long term; and

**WHEREAS**, the combination of contiguous service areas will assist community and state economic development efforts in attracting new jobs over a wider region of Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, a rate reduction plan has been filed with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio which would greatly benefit Centerior customers with rate reductions commencing after the merger is approved.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRVIEW PARK, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA AND STATE OF OHIO:**

**SECTION 1.** That the Council and the Administration of the city of Fairview Park hereby urges state and federal regulators to quickly approve the FirstEnergy merger so that Centerior Energy customers and employees can begin to enjoy its benefits as soon as possible.

**SECTION 2.** That copies of the resolution be forwarded to Governor George V. Voinovich, Ohio Consumers' Council Robert S. Tongren, members of the Federal Energy Regulatory

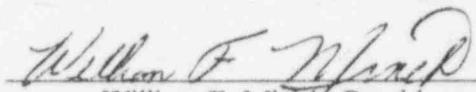
Commission members of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, members of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, State Representative Patrick Sweeney, and State Senator Dennis Kucinich.

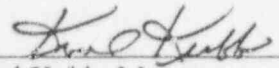
**SECTION 3.** It is found and determined that all formal actions of this council concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this council, and that all deliberations of this council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

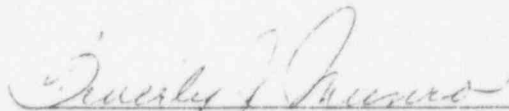
**SECTION 4.** That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: 01-21-97

APPROVED: 01-22-97

  
William F. Minek, President of Council

  
Karl Kubb, Mayor

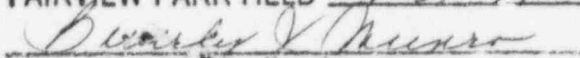
  
Beverly J. Munro, Clerk of Council

1st read: 12-16-96

2nd read: 01-06-97

3rd read: 01-21-97

BEVERLY J. MUNRO, CLERK OF THE  
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRVIEW PARK,  
OHIO, DOES HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE  
ABOVE IS A TRUE COPY OF RESOLUTION -  
ORDINANCE NO. 96-42 passed AT A  
MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
FAIRVIEW PARK HELD 1-21-97

  
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL