

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., for an Increase in Its Natural Gas Distribution Rates.	)	Case No. 2014 - 0328
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In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for Tariff Approval.	)	Appeal from the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
	)	
In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., for Approval of an Alternative Rate Plan for Gas Distribution Service.	)	Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Case Nos. 12-1685-GA-AIR 12-1686-GA-ATA 12-1687-GA-ALT 12-1688-GA-AAM
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In accordance with the Rules of Practice of the Supreme Court of Ohio, S.Ct.Prac.R. 2.01(B)(3), Whitt Sturtevant LLP hereby notifies this Honorable Court and the parties to this proceeding of the withdrawal of Whitt Sturtevant LLP and Mark A. Whitt, Andrew J. Campbell, and Gregory L. Williams as counsel for Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. Amy B. Spiller and Elizabeth H. Watts remain Counsel of Record for Duke.

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