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## **Statewide**

### **Former Republican Party Chairman Matthew Borges Appeals Conviction**

**Summary:** After being sentenced to five years in prison for his role in what has been called “the largest bribery, money laundering scheme ever perpetrated against the people of the state of Ohio,” Borges filed an appeal alleging numerous errors and prosecutorial overreach. He is claiming that the jury was “being fed a false narrative” and that the judge’s actions were prejudicial. The State has not yet filed its reply.

### **OMAEG Urges the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) to Order the Ohio Valley Electric Corporation (OVEC) Utility Owners to Disclose Additional Information (Case No. 21-477-EL-RDR)**

**Summary:** In response to Duke Energy Ohio’s, AEP Ohio’s, and the Dayton Power & Light Company’s motions agreeing to un-redact some information that OMAEG and others have previously argued is publicly available, OMAEG requested that the PUCO issue an order requiring the utilities to un-redact additional portions of the Audit Reports, Audit Report Supplements, testimonies, and exhibits as required by Ohio law and for transparency and consistency.

### **PUCO Orders Electric Distribution Utilities (EDUs) to Modify Their Standard Service Offer (SSO) Auction Products (Case No. 23-781-EL-UNC)**

**Summary:** Due to the uncertainty surrounding PJM’s capacity market, staff proposed that the PUCO direct EDUs to modify their SSO auction products to price capacity at a proxy rate for years in which no actual price has been established. Once the actual price is known, a true-up would be performed to compensate for the difference between the actual and proxy prices. The PUCO recently approved Staff’s proposal and ordered the EDUs to work with  
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their auction managers to revise all supplier documents as necessary. Additionally, while the PUCO did not direct any specific process by which the proxy rate would be true-up, it implied that true-ups should occur at least annually.

### **Duke Energy Ohio**

#### **PUCO Approves Settlement in Duke's Power Forward Rider (Rider PF) Case (Case Nos. 19-1750-EL-UNC, et al.)**

**Summary:** The PUCO approved, without modification, Duke's settlement agreement regarding its request to recover costs associated with its Infrastructure Modernization Plan from customers through Rider PF. Under the settlement, Duke agreed to withdraw its proposals to own competitive electric vehicle charging stations and recover costs related to its Smart Cities infrastructure program and Land Mobile Radio Communication Systems. Additionally, Duke agreed to use a fixed charge rate design and a more favorable cost allocation. In exchange for a reduction in costs and other consumer protections, OMAEG agreed to not oppose the settlement.