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## **Federal**

### **AEP Subpoenaed by Federal Regulators in HB 6 Inquiry**

**Summary:** AEP provided its investors an [update to](#) disclose that it received a subpoena from the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission seeking “various documents, including documents relating to the benefits to the company from the passage of HB 6 and documents relating to [AEP’s] financial processes and controls.” AEP reiterated that it “continues to believe that its participation in the HB 6 process was at all times lawful and ethical.”

## **Statewide**

### **Ohio Attorney General Seeks to Declare Google a Public Utility**

**Summary:** Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost filed a [complaint](#) in the Delaware County Court of Common Pleas seeking a declaration that Google is acting as a public utility because Google possesses substantial market power and indiscriminately provides services to the public. The complaint also asserts because Google is acting as a public utility, it should be enjoined from prioritizing Google products over those of its competitors in the results pages.

## **FirstEnergy**

### **OMAEG Submits Comments on Proposal to Refund HB 6 Decoupling Charges (Case No. 21-484-EL-ATA)**

**Summary:** OMAEG submitted [comments](#) on FirstEnergy’s proposal to refund approximately \$26 million in charges collected from customers through its HB 6 decoupling mechanism. The proposed refund was spurred by the General Assembly’s [approval of HB 128](#), which repealed HB 6’s decoupling mechanism and nuclear subsidies.

The OMAEG's comments advocated that the PUCO should: ensure that the proposal accurately reflects the full amount of decoupling charges collected from each customer class; require FirstEnergy to make public the records that were used to support its proposal; and approve FirstEnergy's proposal after verifying the amount and allocation of the refund consistent with HB 128, which becomes effective June 30, 2021.

### **Correction**

The June 4, 2021 issue of the *OMAEG Weekly Briefing* incorrectly stated that AES Ohio (formerly DP&L) proposed an increase to its HB 6 OVEC rider. The story should have reported that AES Ohio proposed a decrease to its non-bypassable OVEC subsidy rider for non-residential customers to \$0.001468/kWh from \$0.001801/kWh. If approved, the decrease would become effective on a bills-rendered basis beginning July 1, 2021.