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Former FirstEnergy Executives Seek to Call Governor DeWine and Lt. Governor Husted as Witnesses

(Case Nos. CR-2024-02-0473-A, B, C)

Summary: In the wake of several published text messages revealing former FirstEnergy CEO Chuck Jones and VP Michael Dowling's involvement in getting Governor DeWine elected and their continued communications with him while House Bill 6 (HB 6) made its way through the legislature, Dowling notified parties this week that he plans to call Governor DeWine and Lt. Governor Husted to testify as witnesses on his behalf at his criminal trial.

FirstEnergy

OMAEG Seeks Rehearing on Fifth Electric Security Plan (ESP V) Order (Case No. 23-301-EL-SSO)

Summary: Following the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's (PUCO) approval of FirstEnergy's proposed ESP V, OMAEG seeks rehearing on three issues: (1) the PUCO's exclusion of evidence demonstrating that unlawful HB 6-related costs were embedded in numerous ESP V riders; (2) the PUCO's failure to implement network service peak load billing for qualifying customers; and (3) the PUCO's continuation of FirstEnergy's discriminatory and anti-competitive interruptible program without expansion or other modifications. The full application for rehearing may be found [here](#).

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**OMAEG and Others Oppose FirstEnergy's Attempt to Avoid a Corporate Separation Hearing
(Case No. 17-974-EL-UNC)**

Summary: In response to FirstEnergy's motion requesting that the PUCO: (1) forego a hearing on FirstEnergy's corporate separation violations; and (2) separate HB 6-related corporate separation issues from non-HB-6-related corporate separation issues, OMAEG and five other parties (Consumer Parties) urged the PUCO to deny these requests and to consolidate all of the HB 6 cases. The Consumer Parties argued that deciding whether FirstEnergy violated corporate separation rules without a proper hearing to develop the record was unlawful, and that separating the corporate separation case based on HB 6 matters would be inefficient, prejudicial, and prevent parties from seeking complete damages. The Consumer Parties further urged the PUCO to order an independent audit of HB 6 corporate separation issues and cost misallocation, since the prior audits failed to fully address FirstEnergy's potential failures in both areas.