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Statewide

Former Speaker Larry Householder Appeals Racketeering Conviction

Summary: On Wednesday, former Speaker Householder's attorney challenged Householder's conviction based on alleged faulty jury instructions and improper dismissal of a juror. According to Householder, the trial court judge failed to instruct the jurors on all of the legal requirements for a bribery conviction, and it was improper to dismiss a juror simply for refusing to wear a mask.

FirstEnergy

OMAEG Intervenes in FirstEnergy's Sixth Electric Security Plan (ESP VI) (Case No. 25-0092-EL-SSO)

Summary: After withdrawing its fully-litigated ESP V and reinstating its House Bill 6-linked ESP IV, FirstEnergy now proposes to implement an ESP VI that would, at minimum, impose over \$300 million in above-market charges on customers during the proposed ESP term. Notably, FirstEnergy seeks to significantly increase the Distribution Capital Rider's annual rate caps by \$37 to \$43 million. FirstEnergy also proposes to reinstate its Storm Cost Recovery and Vegetation Management Cost Recovery Riders, and continue its discriminatory demand response program. A technical conference will be held on February 21, 2025 to provide interested parties with more information about the ESP VI proposal.

CenterPoint Energy (Vectren)

CenterPoint Increases Default SCO Rate

Summary: Based on recent competitive auctions, the default service rate for CenterPoint increased to \$0.5083/ccf from \$0.5060/ccf, effective February 1, 2025.