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# FILED December 12, 2022 INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

IURC CAUSE NO. 38707-FAC134 REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF JAMES J. McCLAY, III FILED DECEMBER 12, 2022

## REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF JAMES J. McCLAY, III MANAGING DIRECTOR OF NATURAL GAS TRADING DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION ON BEHALF OF DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, LLC CAUSE NO. 38707-FAC 134 BEFORE THE <u>INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION</u>

# 1 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.

- 2 A. My name is James J. McClay, III, and my business address is 526 South Church
- 3 Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202.

# 4 Q. BY WHOM ARE YOU EMPLOYED AND IN WHAT CAPACITY?

- 5 A. I am employed as Managing Director of Natural Gas Trading for Duke Energy
- 6 Corporation ("Duke Energy").
- 7 Q. ARE YOU THE SAME JAMES J. MCCLAY WHO SPONSORED DIRECT
- 8 **TESTIMONY IN THIS PRIOCEEDING?**
- 9 A. Yes.

# 10 Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR REBUTTAL TESTIMONY?

- 11 A. The purpose of my rebuttal is to respond to the testimony filed by Mr. Guerrettaz
- 12 on behalf of the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor ("OUCC").
- 13 Q. HAVE YOU READ THE TESTIMONY OF MR. GUERRETTAZ?
- 14 A. Yes, I have.
- 15 Q. MR. GUERRETTAZ STATES THAT ANY NEW DUKE ENERGY
- 16 INDIANA HEDGING PROGRAM SHOULD "LOWER/ELIMINATE THE

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1		NEED TO FORECAST A COST IMPACT IN THE PROPOSED $F \dot{\cdot} S$
2		(SCHEDULE 1, ATTACHMENT A)." HOW DO YOU RESPOND?
3	A.	The Company has met with the OUCC and other intervenors to discuss potential
4		changes to its hedging program to ensure that it remains appropriate based on
5		market conditions and continues to serve its purpose of mitigating fuel and power
6		price volatility in uncertain market conditions. Prior to finalizing any proposal
7		discussed with the OUCC and the industrial intervenor, Duke Energy Indiana will
8		continue to work with the OUCC, the Commission Staff, and our industrial
9		customers to address the OUCC's suggestions to ensure that Duke Energy
10		Indiana's hedging program serves its purpose of limiting customer exposure to
11		actual market prices and mitigating fuel and power price volatility in uncertain
12		markets.
13	Q.	DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR REBUTTAL TESTIMONY?

14 A. Yes, it does.

### VERIFICATION

I hereby verify under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing representations are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Signed: Jours Milly TH

Date: December 12, 2022