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January 28, 2021

Attn: Mr. Kyle R. Seeley, Corporate Governance Officer

New York State Common Retirement Fund

110 State Street, 14th Floor

Albany, NY 12236

Sent via Email: CorpGov@osc.ny.gov and kseeley@osc.ny.gov

Re: Withdrawal of Political Spending Disclosure Shareholder Proposal Submitted for FirstEnergy Corp.'s 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders

Dear Mr. Seeley,

Thank you for taking the time to discuss your attached shareholder proposal relating to Political Spending Disclosure (the "Proposal"). As you are aware, we currently disclose on our website our Corporate Political Activity Policy and certain related information (see

https://firstenergycorp.com/investor/corporate governance/responsibility.html#mainpar accordian 374120632).

Based on and as a follow-up to our discussion, to the best its ability FirstEnergy Corp. (the "Company") intends to disclose on our website on a semi-annual basis for at least the next three years (through May 2024) the following information:

- Corporate Political Activity Policy related to making, with corporate funds, direct Company contributions
  and Company contributions to section 501(c)(6) trade associations where the annual membership dues
  exceeds \$25,000 to any single organization and expenditures: (a) in support of or opposition to any
  candidate's election or re-election campaign for public office, or (b) to influence the general public, or any
  segment thereof, with respect to an election of a candidate or a ballot referendum.
- 2. Monetary and non-monetary Company contributions and expenditures described in section 1 above, including (a) the identity of the recipient as well as the amount paid to each, and (b) per the Corporate Political Activity Policy discussed in 1 above, the approval level required.<sup>1</sup>

The above disclosures shall be presented to the Company's Board of Directors or relevant board committee and posted on the Company's website within 12 months from the date of the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders. This proposal does not encompass lobbying spending. After May 2024, the Company agrees to review and, as needed, update the above disclosures, and will be responsive to the proponents' request to continue engagement with respect to this matter.

Please indicate your agreement to withdraw the Proposal from consideration at FirstEnergy Corp's 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders by signing and dating in the spaces provided below and returning a copy to me by email to <a href="mailto:mswann@firstenergycorp.com">mswann@firstenergycorp.com</a>.

This withdrawal agreement will become effective on the date the last party below executes this agreement.

New York State Common Retirement Fund:

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Kyle R. Seeley, Corporate Governance OfficerFebruary 1, 2021Date

FirstEnergy Corp.:

Mary M. Swann, Corporate Secretary & Associate General Counsel

<u>January 28, 2021</u>

Date

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A non-monetary contribution or expenditure consists of trade association memberships where there are no monetary membership fees.