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Mr. Patrick Doherty
State of New York Office of the State Comptroller
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Ms. Amelia Timbers As You Sow 1611 Telegraph Avenue, Suite 1450 Oakland, CA 94612

Ms. Pamela Bartol State of Connecticut 55 Elm Street Hartford, Connecticut 06106-1773

Sent via Email: pdoherty@osc.state.ny.us, atimbers@asyousow.org and pamela.bartol@po.state.ct.us

Re: Withdrawal of Shareholder Proposal Submitted for FirstEnergy Corp.'s 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders by State of New York Office of the State Comptroller, with Co-filers As You Sow and the State of Connecticut

Dear Mr. Doherty, Ms. Timbers and Ms. Bartol:

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to discuss your shareholder proposal regarding a report on Company initiatives relating to greenhouse gas emissions (the "Proposal").

As we discussed on January 8, 2014, FirstEnergy intends to incorporate information, as applicable, on additional policies the Company could adopt and additional actions the Company could take to reduce its greenhouse gas emission (see draft outline below) in connection with President Obama's goal of a 80% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions into our Sustainability Report, which we expect will be made available on our website by October 1, 2014. Additionally, the Company's Corporate Governance Committee, comprised entirely of independent directors, will discuss the Climate Change and Increased Renewable Energy shareholder proposal and the related draft outline.

- I. President Obama's Climate Action Plan Target
- II. FirstEnergy's Actions
 - a. CO₂ Emissions 1990 2016
 - b. CO2 Emission Reduction vs. President's Goal
- III. Long Term Actions
 - a. Age and Life of Existing Fossil Fleet
 - b. Future Replacement Generation Drivers
- IV. Decision-making and Future Regulatory Outcomes
 - Standards of Performance for Greenhouse Gas Emissions from New Stationary Sources; Electric Utility Generating Units
 - Regulation of carbon pollution from existing power plants under Section 111(d) of the Clean Air Act
- V. Research & Development Support

Please indicate your agreement and withdrawal of the Proposal from consideration at FirstEnergy Corp's 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders by signing and dating in the spaces provided below and returning a copy to the undersigned by fax to 330-384-3866 or email to ddunlap@firstenergycorp.com.

Sincerely,

On behalf of State of New York Office of the State Comptroller, As You Sow and the State of Connecticut, we hereby withdraw the Climate Change and Increased Renewable Energy shareholder proposal submitted to FirstEnergy Corp. in November 2013 for FirstEnergy Corp.'s 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders: State of New York Office of the State Comptroller (as Trustee of the New York State Common Retirement Fund and the administrative head of the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System and the New York State Police and Fire Retirement System): As You Sow (on behalf of Andrew Behar): Signature State of Connecticut (on behalf of Connecticut Retirement Plans and Trust Funds):

Signature Date

Title