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Duke Energy Ohio's PIPP RFP Process: Information Session for Prospective Bidders on Wednesday, February 7, 2018

BOSTON (BUSINESS WIRE) — February 2, 2018 — <u>CRA International, Inc.</u> (NASDAQ: CRAI), a worldwide leader in providing <u>economic, financial, and management consulting services</u>, today announced that a Request for Proposal (RFP) process will be conducted for Duke Energy Ohio to procure full requirements service for their Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) customers. The winning PIPP supplier will be obligated to serve 100% of the PIPP load of Duke Energy Ohio for the 12-month delivery period June 2018 through May 2019.

The PIPP RFP process will be managed by PIPP RFP Manager CRA International, Inc. The PIPP RFP is being conducted pursuant to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's Finding and Order on procurements for PIPP customers (Case No. 16-247-EL-UNC) which was issued on March 2, 2016.

The Information Session for prospective bidders is scheduled for Wednesday, February 7, 2018. Instructions on how to join the Webcast session are available on the PIPP RFP Information Website at www.duke-energyohiopipp-rfp.com. PIPP Supplier Applications from prospective bidders will be accepted starting February 7, 2018 and are due no later than March 1, 2018. The bid window for submitting bids will be open from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM ET on March 13, 2018.

Additional information about the RFP process can be found at the Information Website at www.duke-energyohiopipp-rfp.com.

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