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**Rhonda S. Ferguson**  
Vice President and Corporate Secretary

April 1, 2016

**Dear Shareholder:**

You are cordially invited to attend the 2016 FirstEnergy Corp. Annual Meeting of Shareholders on Tuesday, May 17, 2016, at 8:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the John S. Knight Center, 77 E. Mill Street, Akron, Ohio. If you plan to attend this meeting, you must register in advance. For information on how to register, see the "Attending the Annual Meeting" section of the "Questions and Answers about the Annual Meeting" of the proxy statement.

As you may recall, you previously consented to accessing FirstEnergy's annual reports and proxy statements on the Internet instead of receiving paper copies. **The annual report, proxy statement and all other proxy material related to the 2016 FirstEnergy Corp. Annual Meeting of Shareholders may be accessed and viewed at [www.ViewMaterial.com/FE](http://www.ViewMaterial.com/FE).**

The Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders is printed on the back of this letter. The notice and proxy statement contain important information about proxy voting and the business to be conducted at the meeting. We encourage you to read it carefully before voting. **Your Board of Directors recommends that you vote "FOR" Items 1 through 5 and "AGAINST" each of the shareholder proposals, which are Items 6 through 9.**

Enclosed is your proxy card, which provides instructions to appoint your proxy and vote your shares. We encourage you to take advantage of the Internet or telephone voting options. Instructions regarding Internet and telephone voting are provided on the enclosed proxy card and are available at [www.ViewMaterial.com/FE](http://www.ViewMaterial.com/FE). Please note that since you already have consented to accessing FirstEnergy's annual reports and proxy statements on the Internet, it is not necessary when voting your shares to again provide consent.

If you wish to receive a paper copy of the annual report and proxy statement with your proxy card in the future, or if you would like a paper copy of this year's documents, please call Shareholder Services at (800) 736-3402, or call Corporate Election Services at (800) 516-1564, or access the website [www.SendMaterial.com](http://www.SendMaterial.com) and follow the instructions provided, or send an email to [papercopy@SendMaterial.com](mailto:papercopy@SendMaterial.com) with your 11-digit control number in the email's subject line.

This notice and proxy statement is being mailed to shareholders on or about April 1, 2016.

**Your vote and support are important to us.** Thank you in advance for voting promptly.

Sincerely,

**Important Note** Regarding Voter Participation

Pursuant to applicable rules, if your shares are held in a broker account, you must provide your broker with voting instructions for all matters to be voted on at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders except for the ratification of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as FirstEnergy Corp.'s independent registered public accounting firm. Your broker does not have the discretion to vote your shares on any other matters without the specific instruction from you to do so.

Please take time to **vote your shares!**

## Notice of **Annual Meeting of Shareholders**

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April 1, 2016

### **To the Holders of Shares of Common Stock:**

The 2016 FirstEnergy Corp. Annual Meeting of Shareholders (later referred to as the Annual Meeting or the Meeting) will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2016, at 8:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the John S. Knight Center, 77 E. Mill Street, Akron, Ohio. The purpose of the Meeting will be to:

- Elect the 14 nominees to the Board of Directors named in the proxy statement to hold office until the 2017 annual meeting of shareholders and until their successors shall have been elected;
- Ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for 2016;
- Advisory vote to approve named executive officer compensation;
- Approve a management proposal to amend the Company's Amended Articles of Incorporation and Amended Code of Regulations to replace existing supermajority voting requirements with a majority voting power threshold, under certain circumstances;
- Approve a management proposal to amend the Company's Amended Code of Regulations to implement proxy access;
- Vote on four shareholder proposals, if properly presented at the Meeting; and
- Take action on other business that may come properly before the Meeting and any adjournment or postponement thereof.

Please carefully review this notice, the annual report and the proxy statement and vote your shares by following the instructions on your proxy card/voting instruction form to ensure your representation at the Meeting. Only shareholders of record as of the close of business on March 18, 2016, or their proxy holders, may vote at the Meeting.

If you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, you must register in advance. See the questions and answers "Attending the Annual Meeting" section of the proxy statement for instructions on how to register.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,



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