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Request from: Office of Education, Outreach, and Enforcement

Question:

(VENDOR SPEND) Refer to Response to EOE-051, Attachment 1. For each of the following vendor examples, explain what specific O&M services were performed by the vendor during 2025. As part of the response, please provide supporting invoices or other documentation.

a. Alden Systems Inc: $482,379.08;
b. Creative Surveying LLC: $446,773.96;
c. FirstEnergy Service Company: $1,575,775.19

Response:

a. The Company utilized Alden Systems, a joint use utility pole management platform, to administer and track third-party pole attachment applications and associated make ready activities. Please refer to EOE-169, Attachment 1 CONFIDENTIAL, for the remaining Alden Systems invoice and documentation.

   In preparation of this response, the Company identified one Alden Systems invoice that was inadvertently included in the test year. The Company will reflect this adjustment in Field Operations (Overhead Lines-Operation & Maintenance) in the next cost of service update. Please refer to EOE-169, Attachment 2, for a reconciliation of the Alden Systems cost included in the cost of service.

b. Creative Surveying LLC provided line crews to support storm restoration efforts for minor storm(s) and are not deferred for recovery, as a result the costs are included in O&M. Please refer to EOE-169, Attachment 1 CONFIDENTIAL, for the invoices and documentation.

c. FirstEnergy Service Company provided mutual aid line crews to support storm restoration efforts for minor storm(s) and are not deferred for recovery as a result the costs are included in O&M. Please refer to EOE-169, Attachment 1 CONFIDENTIAL, for the invoices and documentation.