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Mr. Jonathan G. Katz  
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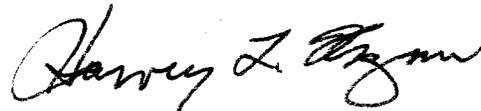
Re: FirstEnergy Corp. CEO and CFO Statements Under Oath

Dear Mr. Katz:

Enclosed are the Statements Under Oath from H. Peter Burg, Chief Executive Officer of FirstEnergy Corp. and Richard H. Marsh, Chief Financial Officer of FirstEnergy Corp., pursuant to the June 27, 2002 Order of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



Enclosures

Richard H. Marsh, CFA  
Sr. Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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**Statement Under Oath of Principal Financial Officer Regarding Facts  
and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings**

I, Richard H. Marsh, state and attest that:

- (1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of FirstEnergy Corp., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
  - no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
  - no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
- (2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.
- (3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":
  - Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 of FirstEnergy Corp;
  - all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of FirstEnergy Corp. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
  - any amendments to any of the foregoing.

Richard H. Marsh  
Richard H. Marsh

August 8, 2002  
Date

Subscribed and sworn to  
before me this 8th day of  
August 2002.

Karen L. Pope  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

**KAREN L. POPE**  
Notary Public, State of Ohio  
Commission Expires Jan. 16, 2005  
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