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AEP earnings fall 32 percent in third quarter

COLUMBUS ---American Electric Power said Tuesday that despite better sales its third-quarter earnings fell 32 percent because of costs incurred from the sale of a plant in Louisiana

One of the nation's largest power generators, AEP recorded a profit of \$265 million, or 67 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30 compared with earnings of \$387 million, or 99 cents per share, a year ago. Sales rose 9 percent, to \$3.6 bil-lion from \$3.3 billion during the

comparable period in 2005. Excluding the sale of the plant, AEP reported earnings of \$392 million, or 99 cents a share. Charges were partially offset by gains realized on the sale of other assets, the company said.

AEP increased its earnings long-term outlook this month, saying it expects growth of 5 per-cent to 7 percent annually. Earlier forecasts had been at 3 percent

AEP has more than 5 million customers in 11 states, including West Virginia.

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CO, is the lobbyist for the ple," Mullen said. "I welie them coming to town and efully giving us information if there is any way that we then take that information advocate on behalf of the sumer then we ought to d up and be counted.

avid Roush, manager of lated pricing and analysis AEP Ohio, said the reliacharge is being demandby consumers who want ased dependability from power lines.

ush said the reliability ge has yet to be approved UCO and could take sever-

al months to go through the regulatory process and begin showing up on customer bills. Public hearings, which will probably take place during the first quarter of 2007, are one of the requirements yet to be met for the surcharge to take effect effect.

"That's a multiple month process so I wouldn't expect anything to show up on cus-tomers' bills from that," Roush said

Once the proposed surcharge goes before PUCO it can either be approved as is by the com-mission, rejected totally, or it can be modified to a lower amount taken from the customer depending on which pro-grams PUCO approves, Roush said.

The proposed \$1.60 charge is a result of an investigation by

AEP to determine what services and programs they would like to expand or accelerate to improve line reliability.

"We're not asking for money to continue to do what we've been doing all along. The programs we're proposing are additional programs or accelerating plans," Roush said.

Dorothy Bauman. of Bramblewood Heights Marietta, said she wash't aware of the storm charge or the proposed increase in reliability charges from AEP but plans to pay closer attention to such matters in the future.

"I don't pay any attention to those surcharges. I just pay my bill," Bauman said. "I'm paying closer attention to it from now on though."

Criticism of AEP fee prompts meeting **Electric utility**

charges for storm repairs

By KEVIN PIERSON Special to The Times

Marietta resident John Poling was shocked when he opened his September electric bill from American, Electric Power to see a charge of \$187 for the month, more than his bill was for two months under Allegheny Power.

Antegneny rower. On the second page of the bill was a surcharge for storm dam-age done to power lines in December 2004. Poling, of 123 Brentwood St., became out-

raged. "That really ticked me off because we weren't a customer of theirs in December of '04," Poling said. "We didn't become a customer until Jan. 1, 2006."

AEP Ohio officials said the storm damage charge of \$1.12 per kilowatt hour is a tempo-rary charge that will only last a year and is designed to cover costs the company incurred to repair lines from a severe ice storm that hit the area that winter.

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ruled that AEP has the authority to charge the customers to cover the repair costs which were made across the board regard-

That doesn't provide any comfort for Poling, who has contacted the Ohio Consumers Council to come to Marietta for a public meeting Nov. 13 to dis-cuss charges instituted by AEP, including a \$1.60 charge to improve the company's line reliability submitted to PUCO Oct. 6

The local consumer needs to know what's going on and the only way we're going to know is for somebody like the Ohio Consumer Council to come down here and talk to us," Poling said.

Poling contacted Marietta Mayor Michael Mullen to help with the meeting and the city agreed to host the event at Lookout Park.

"We as the consumer dop't have a great deal of advocacy and the Ohio Consumers Council, which is an offstation

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Petitioner: John P Teschel

2315 Rockland Ave. Belpre, Ohio 45714

DATE: October 25, 2006

Comes now this petitioner, (John P. Teschel) in opposition to an increase in electric rates by AEP. This is an unwarranted rate increase for the following facts, ie;

- Number one We, the new customers of AEP, overwhich we had no say, took a big Increase when AEP took over from Allegheny, not even a year ago.
- Number two PUCO allowed and approved an additional monthly charge to be Added to each monthly statement so AEP could recover their Court costs due to the change from Allegheny.
- Number three As part of their reasoning for a requested increase was complaints From consumers about "instant outages". Let it be known here And now that we never had any so-called "instant outages" until AEP took over Allegheny. These so-called "instant outages" are Perpetrated by AEP as one reason for upgrading the system to Strengthen their case for an increase.
- Number four Since we live in an electronic age, most appliances, including our Cooking stoves, TV's, Computers, Washers, Dryers and many small Appliances are completely dependant on uninterrupted supply of Electric. These "instant outages" play havoc with computers, Interrupt cooking, clocks, work stoppage, and the power surges that Occur when the power returns is damaging to our electrical goods.
- Number five And most importantly those of us who live on Social Security and Small pensions have really taken a beating with the number of Increases in gasoline, natural gas, phone service, cable service, taxes, Groceries, and the normal expenses of living. It has to stop Somewhere! And the pundants who say there is no inflation Apparently don't live in the middle-class.
- Number six I therefore petition you to deeply consider the consequences that May arise from continued increases in the expenses of daily living. In addition to State increases in utilities, also consider that where

No. Six cont'd – we live, our communities, such as Belpre, has set forth a plan To increase our water rates for the next five years. We in space Of three years have gone from the lowest water rates in the State to the highest rates in the State. Those of us who live on Fixed incomes who are retired and the many who are unemployed Can only withstand so much. The "well is running dry". And so I plead with the Commission, who gave us AEP, to consider very Carefully any request for more increases.

Signed this date by:

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