BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the Application of Columbus Southern Power Company for Approval of an Electric Security Plan; an Amendment to its Corporate Separation Plan; and the Sale or Transfer of Certain Generating Assets.

Case No. 08-917-EL-SSO

In the Matter of the Application of Ohio Power Company for Approval of its Electric Security Plan; and an Amendment to its Corporate Separation Plan.

Case No. 08-918-EL-SSO

<u>ENTRY</u>

The Attorney Examiner finds:

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- (1) On July 31, 2008, Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company (AEP-Ohio) each filed an application for a standard service offer pursuant to Section 4928.141, Revised Code. Each application is for an electric security plan in accordance with Section 4928.143, Revised Code.
- (2) In order to provide customers of AEP-Ohio a reasonable opportunity to provide public testimony in these proceedings, local public hearings will be conducted on the following dates:
 - (a) Tuesday, October 14, 2008, at 6:30 p.m., at Washington State Community College, Arts & Science Building, Harvey Graham Auditorium, 710 Colegate Drive, Marietta, Ohio 45750.
 - (b) Thursday, October 16, 2008, at 6:30 p.m., at Glenwood Middle School, Auditorium, 1015 44th Street N.W., Canton, Ohio 44709.
 - (c) Monday, October 20, 2008, at 6:30 p.m., at Lima Senior High School, 1 Spartan Way, Lima, Ohio 45801.
 - (d) Tuesday, October 21, 2008, at 12:30 p.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, Hearing Room 11-C, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

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- Monday, October 27, 2008, at 6:30 p.m., at
 Whetstone Park of Roses Shelter House, 3901 N.
 High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43214.
- (3) Accordingly, AEP-Ohio should publish notice of the local public hearings one time in a newspaper of general circulation in each county in its certified territory. The notice should not appear in the legal notices section of the newspaper. The notice should read as follows:

LEGAL NOTICE

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has scheduled local hearings in Case Nos. 08-917-EL-SSO and 08-918-EL-SSO, In the Matter of the Application of Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company for Approval of Their Electric Security In their respective applications, Columbus Southern Plans. Power Company and Ohio Power Company seek Commission approval of an electric security plan filed pursuant to Am. Sub. Senate Bill 221, which was signed into law on May 1, 2008. The bill requires electric utilities to establish a standard service offer and, as part of that process, to file an application for approval of an electric security plan. According to the applications, Columbus Southern Power Company's and Ohio Power Company's electric security plans would limit the increases in customer rates for generation and distribution charges to approximately 15 percent per year for each of the years 2009, In addition, the applications propose 2010 and 2011. investment in capital improvements for the companies' energy delivery systems, energy efficiency initiatives, as well as economic development and job retention programs and for Columbus Southern Power Company's transfer of generation assets.

The local hearings are scheduled for the purpose of providing an opportunity for interested members of the public to testify in this proceeding. The local hearings will be held as follows:

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The evidentiary hearing will commence on November 17, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, Hearing Room 11-C, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793, viewing the Commission's web page at <u>http://www.puco.ohio.gov</u>, or contacting the Commission's hotline at 1-800-686-7826.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That local public hearings in these proceedings be held as set forth in finding (2). It is, further,

ORDERED, That AEP-Ohio publish notice of the hearings as set forth in finding (3). It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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