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1 BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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3 In the Matter of the :
 4 Application of Columbus :
 5 Southern Power Company :
 6 for Approval of its :
 7 Electric Security Plan; :Case No. 08-917-EL-SSO
 8 an Amendment to its :
 9 Corporate Separation :
 10 Plan; and the Sale or :
 11 Transfer of Certain :
 12 Generation Assets. :

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14 In the Matter of the :
 15 Application of Ohio Power :
 16 Company for Approval of :
 17 its Electric Security :Case No. 09-918-EL-SSO
 18 Plan; and an Amendment to :
 19 its Corporate Separation :
 20 Plan. :

21 DEPOSITION

22 of David M. Roush, taken before me, Iris I.
 23 Dillion, a Notary Public in and for the State of
 24 Ohio, at the offices of Ohio Consumers' Counsel
 10 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, on
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EXHIBIT

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1 - Notice to Take Depositions

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1 Tuesday Afternoon Session,
2 October 28, 2008.

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4 STIPULATIONS

5 It is stipulated by and among counsel
6 for the respective parties that the
7 deposition of David M. Roush, a witness herein,
8 called by Ohio Consumers' Counsel under the
9 applicable Rules of Civil Procedure, may be
10 reduced to writing in stenotypy by the Notary,
11 whose notes thereafter may be transcribed out of
12 the presence of the witness; and that proof of
13 the official character and qualification of the
14 Notary is waived.

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1 DAVID M. ROUSH

2 being by me first duly sworn, as hereinafter
3 certified, deposes and says as follows:

4 EXAMINATION

5 By Ms. Grady:

6 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Roush.

7 A. Good afternoon.

8 Q. I'm going to have marked as
9 Deposition Exhibit No. 1, the October 10, 2008
10 Notice to Take Deposition Upon Oral Examination
11 and Request for Production of Documents by the
12 Office of Consumers' Counsel.

13 (EXHIBIT HEREBY MARKED.)

14 Q. And Mr. Roush, you will note that in
15 the deposition notice that you were requested to
16 produce at the time of your deposition all
17 documents relating to your testimony in these
18 proceedings or responses to discovery,
19 including, but not limited to, the results of
20 any studies done for these proceedings and any
21 backup documentation, including raw data, for
22 those studies.

23 In response to that, what documents
24 have you brought with you to the deposition?

1 MR. CONWAY: My name is Dan Conway
2 and I'm representing the deponent in the
3 deposition, and in response to counsel for OCC's
4 question, our view and position is that the
5 testimony as filed with its exhibits and the
6 responses to discovery that have been provided
7 have been comprehensive and provide OCC with all
8 of the information that's relevant that they
9 have requested or that's developed on behalf of
10 Mr. Roush's testimony.

11 MS. GRADY: Is that in the nature of
12 an objection, I guess?

13 MR. CONWAY: No, not really an
14 objection, just an explanation that no, we
15 didn't bring anymore documents with us to the
16 deposition, and the reason why we did not is
17 that our understanding and belief is that what
18 we have provided to you through the filings and
19 through discovery meets the legitimate and
20 comprehensive scope of your request.

21 MS. GRADY: Okay.

22 MR. CONWAY: And satisfies the duces
23 tecum aspect of your notice.

24 Q. Okay, Mr. Roush, let's go to page 3

1 and 4 of your testimony where you begin to talk
2 about your Exhibit DMR-1. You carry it over,
3 starting on the bottom of page 3 -- starting on
4 the bottom of page 3 and carrying over to 4 you
5 start talking about DMR-1 and you indicate DMR-1
6 showed the overall revenue increases of the
7 company based on information provided to you by
8 the Companies' witnesses. Do you see that
9 reference on line 21 through 22?

10 A. That "Exhibit DMR-1 summarizes each
11 component of each Company's request based upon
12 the information provided to me by the Companies'
13 witnesses." I see that language.

14 Q. Did you sponsor any of the items
15 listed on DMR-1, apart from any items that would
16 have been -- any information that would have
17 been provided to you by other Company witnesses?

18 A. On Exhibit DMR-1, the column labeled
19 Current Rates for both Companies would have been
20 information that I prepared.

21 Q. Okay.

22 A. And I believe the line labeled FAC
23 Components --

24 Q. Yes.

1 A. -- the FAC increases would have been
2 calculations inherent in that exhibit. The line
3 labeled Non-FAC Components, Environmental
4 Capital Investment, would have been provided to
5 me by another Company witness. The annual 3
6 percent non-FAC generation increases are
7 calculations within the exhibit. The line POLR
8 is information provided to me by other Company
9 witnesses. The line labeled Distribution is a
10 calculation within the exhibit that is based
11 upon another exhibit of mine, which is based
12 upon information provided to me by other Company
13 witnesses.

14 Q. All right.

15 A. The Energy Efficiency and Peak
16 Demand Reduction line would have been based on
17 information provided to me by other Company
18 witnesses. The Transmission Cost Recovery line,
19 the Current Rates column is a value I
20 calculated. And the Other line, the 2009 -- the
21 current rate and 2009 value would have been
22 values I calculated. The 2011 value would have
23 been a value provided to me by another Company
24 witness. I believe that's everything to the

1 best of my recollection.

2 Q. Okay. Thank you. So just a
3 question about your previous response. The fuel
4 adjustment, for instance, on DMR-1 page 1 of 2,
5 the fuel adjustment components under current
6 rates would have been a number that was provided
7 to you by another witness; is that correct?

8 A. I would have calculated it based
9 upon information provided to me by another
10 Company witness.

11 Q. And that would have been Mr. Nelson?

12 A. That's correct.

13 Q. And based upon the number given to
14 you by Mr. Nelson for the FAC components, you
15 were able to then back into a non-FAC component
16 number; is that correct?

17 A. The non-FAC current rate generation
18 value would have been a calculation of total
19 generation, current total generation SSO
20 revenues less the FAC, yes.

21 Q. Thank you. Now, on page 4 of your
22 testimony you indicate that DMR-1 does not show
23 any estimate of the potential increase of the
24 economic development cost recovery rider, and

1 I'm specifically looking at lines 8 through 10.

2 Do you see that reference?

3 A. Yes, I see that reference.

4 Q. And can you explain to me why DMR-1
5 does not show that increase? Was there a reason
6 that that cost recovery rider, or even the
7 transmission cost recovery rider, were not
8 included on DMR-1?

9 A. Let me parse that into two parts.
10 Let's take the economic development cost
11 recovery rider first.

12 Q. Okay.

13 A. The economic development cost
14 recovery rider will be the result -- the cost
15 collected under that rider will be the result of
16 any economic development incentives that the
17 Commission approves. It will be based upon, you
18 know, actual usage of those customers and thus
19 the amount of the incentive they received during
20 the ESP period. So at the time this testimony
21 was prepared, and even today, we don't know --
22 we don't have any known dollar amounts for me to
23 be able to calculate a rider at this time.

24 Q. Okay. And before -- I don't mean to

1 interrupt you. Are you finished with that
2 portion of your answer relating to the economic
3 development rider?

4 A. Yes, I am.

5 Q. My question is do you have, does the
6 Company have an estimate at this time of the
7 cost that could potentially be collected as a
8 result of economic development incentives?

9 A. Not to my knowledge, no.

10 Q. Now, you were going to go on then to
11 discuss the reason why the transmission cost
12 recovery rider is not included in DMR-1. Can
13 you go ahead and explain that to me now?

14 A. Sure, I'd be happy to. The
15 transmission cost recovery rider is a rider that
16 the Company updates annually, and we generally
17 make that filing virtually at the end of October
18 in each year, at least the past several years,
19 or few years I guess. So until that filing is
20 completely prepared and calculated, we don't
21 have an estimate of whether the transmission
22 cost recovery rider for 2009 will go up or go
23 down; and similarly, those calculations for 2010
24 and '11 won't be done until later years.

1 Q. Do you know what the transmission
2 cost recovery rider is for 2008?

3 A. Let me ask you to clarify the
4 question. I know what the rider is itself but
5 the rider's got numerous rates. Are you asking
6 do we know what the level of recovery is?

7 Q. Yes. That's what I'm asking for.

8 A. And that is the value that would be
9 shown on Exhibit DMR-1 under the Current Rates
10 column for transmission cost recovery.

11 Q. Can you hang on a second?

12 A. Sure.

13 Q. Okay. So I'm going to DMR-1,
14 transmission cost recovery. So you have the
15 rates being recovered and so --

16 A. That's 2008 value.

17 Q. 2008 value.

18 A. Rate level.

19 Q. The rate level.

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And would that be contained, how
22 that is collected would be contained in a tariff
23 sheet approved by the Commission; is that
24 correct?

1 A. Yes. This is the result of applying
2 the currently-approved tariff rates to forecast
3 2009 usage.

4 Q. So I guess my next question is under
5 the Current Rates column, are you suggesting
6 that the figures that are shown under Current
7 Rates are really the current rates applied to
8 2009 usage numbers, or does that only affect the
9 transmission cost recovery line?

10 A. My recollection is that all of the
11 values in the Current Rates column are current
12 rates applied to 2009 forecasted usage levels.

13 Q. And the 2009 forecasted usage
14 levels, would that be an entire year of
15 forecasts for 2009 or would it reflect some
16 actual and some forecasted?

17 A. It would be an entire year of
18 forecasted information based upon the -- based
19 upon current rates.

20 Q. And that's the same for both Ohio
21 Power Company and CSP; is that correct?

22 A. Yes, that's correct.

23 Q. Let's go to your testimony,
24 Mr. Roush, at page 5, lines 5 through 9. You

1 indicate that you want to expand the
2 availability of Ohio Power's existing
3 interruptible schedule from 256 megawatts to 450
4 megawatts. Do you see that reference?

5 A. Yes, I do.

6 Q. And you also indicate there that
7 CSP's current limit was not changed since the
8 limitation has not been a constraint. Do you
9 see that reference?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. What is CSP's current limit on
12 existing interruptible service offerings, if you
13 know?

14 A. It would be the limitation in
15 Columbus Southern's current Schedule IRP-D is
16 75,000 kVA.

17 Q. Now, let's go on, Mr. Roush, to line
18 21 on that page, that's page 5, which carries
19 over into page 6 through line 4, and there you
20 indicate that the Company should be able to
21 count load that is capable of being reduced
22 toward peak reduction goals, even if that load
23 was not reduced at the time of peak due to
24 operational and/or market conditions. Do you

1 see that reference?

2 A. Yes, I see that reference, although
3 it's paraphrased slightly.

4 Q. Yes. What is the basis for counting
5 load not actually reduced toward the peak
6 reduction goals?

7 A. The basis is that under our current
8 Schedule IRP-D there are interruption provisions
9 which the customer's existing customers have
10 agreed to. Those provisions, as they exist
11 today, do not mandate that we interrupt
12 customers at the time of CSP or Ohio Power's
13 peak demand, but that we are permitted to
14 interrupt them for operational or market
15 conditions which dictate the need for a
16 reduction.

17 The view is that if the Company is
18 near peak or at peak but there are no
19 operational or market needs to reduce them, that
20 to reduce them in order to count them towards
21 the peak reduction goal would be an unnecessary
22 interruption because the system operations and
23 the market conditions, neither one, dictated the
24 need to curtail them.

1 MS. GRADY: May I have the last
2 portion of that answer reread?

3 (Answer read.)

4 Q. Now, when you speak in your
5 testimony of peak reduction goals, are you
6 talking about the statutory peak reduction goals
7 under SB 221 or something else?

8 A. I'm speaking towards the Companies'
9 peak reduction goals under Senate Bill 221.

10 Q. Is there any language, if you know,
11 in 221 that would support your practice of
12 counting capable load as opposed to actual
13 interruptible load as being counted toward peak
14 reduction?

15 A. I don't know one way or the other.

16 Q. Okay. That's fair enough. Thank
17 you. Can you explain, Mr. Roush, what you mean
18 by the Companies' ability to curtail customer
19 usage and/or to purchase replacement electricity
20 for customers? Can you explain what you mean
21 there? And I'll find the line reference in a
22 second.

23 A. Lines 21 and 22 of page 5?

24 Q. Yes.

1 A. Sure. There are basically two
2 provisions within the Companies' current
3 Schedule IRP-D. One is basically the ability
4 to, in an emergency, ask the customer to
5 curtail, and that's kind of what I mean by
6 curtail customer usage. Basically we say you
7 need to reduce your load. There's no option.

8 There's a second provision with the
9 Companies' current Schedule IRP-D where the
10 Company can offer the customer the option to
11 purchase replacement electricity, which is
12 basically a circumstance where the customer can
13 choose to pay the price quoted by the Company at
14 that time to continue to operate in lieu of
15 reducing load, or some combination of the two.
16 They may reduce some but purchase some.

17 Q. Now, when you refer to the
18 Companies' ability to curtail customer usage,
19 you're referring to a mandatory curtailment
20 versus an optional curtailment. Is that what
21 you describe there?

22 A. I believe that's correct. That's
23 the distinction I was trying to raise is that
24 there are really two provisions; one, a

1 mandatory curtailment --

2 Q. Yes.

3 A. -- and one a more optional type
4 reduction.

5 Q. Thank you. Does the Company curtail
6 or purchase power for their customers for their
7 entire load or for a significant portion of the
8 load?

9 MR. CONWAY: Could you read the
10 question again?

11 (Question read.)

12 MR. CONWAY: I'm going -- I guess I
13 don't understand the question but if you do, you
14 are welcome to try to answer it.

15 A. When the Company would exercise the
16 provisions of Schedule IRP-D --

17 Q. Yes.

18 A. -- there are basically, I think,
19 three parts to the answer to your question.

20 Q. Okay.

21 A. First is that each customer's
22 contract would specifically designate how much
23 of their load is firm service and how much is
24 interruptible service, and that would be

1 customer specific based on customer selection.

2 That's kind of the first part of the question.

3 When the Company calls for a
4 curtailment under Schedule IRP-D, that request
5 for curtailment would be for the amount, the
6 entire amount that the customer has designated
7 as interruptible. So that's the second part of
8 your question.

9 And then the third part of the
10 question is when provided, when the customer is
11 provided in the notice an option to purchase
12 replacement electricity, the customer has the
13 choice of the amount of their interruptible load
14 that they wish to purchase.

15 Q. As opposed to an all or nothing?

16 A. Correct. They have the choice of
17 how much they wish to purchase or not purchase.

18 Q. Do you know offhand the requirement
19 objectives and goals of SB 221 regarding peak
20 load reduction?

21 A. No, not offhand. I did not memorize
22 them.

23 Q. Based on your understanding of 221
24 and -- strike that.

1 Based on your understanding of 221,
2 did the Companies already meet the peak load
3 reduction goal by IRP-D, the IRP-D Schedule?

4 A. I don't know.

5 Q. Is it your understanding that under
6 Schedule IRP-D, the interruptible power tariff
7 that we're talking about, that the amount of
8 power that can be interrupted to those customers
9 under that schedule ranges from 256 megawatts to
10 450 megawatts? Let me strike that. Withdraw
11 that question.

12 On page 6, lines 9 through 10 you
13 indicate that services that previously made
14 economic sense solely for large industrial
15 customers will likely become effective and
16 available to a larger group of customers. Do
17 you see that reference?

18 A. Yes, I do.

19 Q. What services and what larger group
20 of customers are you referring to there?

21 A. In general, I'm referring to price
22 responsive services which may include demand
23 response, and the larger group of customers I'm
24 generally thinking of is the Companies' current

1 offering is, I believe, restricted to customers
2 a megawatt and above, and that with gridSMART
3 technology would have the ability to expand that
4 to a growing number of smaller customers, and I
5 think ultimately all the way down to residential
6 customers.

7 Q. And when you say ultimately down to
8 residential customers, are you talking about one
9 year down the road, five years down the road, if
10 you know, ten years?

11 A. I think -- I believe the timing
12 will really be linked to when gridSMART, the
13 environmental technology, is rolled out. If
14 gridSMART is rolled out in place in a year to
15 two years, then I would think about that time we
16 would be able to, for customers that have that
17 technology, to be able to implement programs to
18 those customers. So, you know, as far as a
19 specific time line on gridSMART, I'm not the
20 expert.

21 Q. Now, on page 10 of your testimony
22 you talk about removing the current FAC
23 component from the generation charges. Let me
24 strike that.

1 You indicated earlier when we were
2 talking about DMR-1 that it was Mr. Nelson who
3 determined the current FAC component to be
4 separated out. Do you remember that discussion?

5 A. Yes, I do.

6 Q. Do you know how Mr. Nelson did that?

7 A. In a general sense, yes.

8 Q. Can you explain to me how he did
9 that, in a general sense?

10 A. I'll give it my best shot based on
11 my memory, but obviously Mr. Nelson can --

12 Q. Understood.

13 A. -- correct me wherever I misstate.
14 Mr. Nelson first identified the fuel component
15 that was incorporated in the Companies' standard
16 service offer rebates under Senate Bill 3 for
17 2001 to 2005. I believe he also identified the
18 additional components that the Company is
19 proposing to be included in the FAC that were
20 not in that traditional EFC, and added those
21 in. Then Mr. Nelson increased those values to
22 recognize the 3 and 7 percent annual generation
23 rate increases that the Companies received under
24 the rate stablization plan for 2006, 2007, and

1 2008. And then I believe the last component was
2 that he identified for Columbus Southern Power
3 the amount related to the purchase power for the
4 Monongahela Power acquisition and included
5 that. So that's my basic recollection of what
6 he did.

7 Q. I appreciate that, Mr. Roush. I
8 think it might be finally sinking in. I did
9 talk to Mr. Nelson about that, but that seems to
10 me to be a pretty good explanation. Simple.

11 Now, you indicate in your testimony
12 that, and you're talking about, again, referring
13 to page 10, you indicate you have talked about
14 one step already in your testimony starting on 9
15 and carrying over into 10. I'm looking at the
16 next step which you describe on lines 7 through
17 10 and you state there that -- let me strike
18 that.

19 Let's go to your third step, okay?
20 The third step you begin to describe on lines 10
21 through 13 of page 10 of your testimony, and you
22 indicate that you adjusted the non-FAC related
23 generation charges to reflect the recovery of
24 carrying costs related to the incremental 2001

1 through 2008 environmental capital additions
2 above those already reflected in rates as
3 determined by Mr. Nelson. Do you see that?

4 A. Yes, I do.

5 Q. Can you define incremental
6 environmental capital additions as you have used
7 it in your testimony?

8 A. Sure. And the way I use that in my
9 testimony is those capital additions that are
10 incremental or above the capital additions that
11 have already been reflected in the Companies'
12 rates, either implicitly in the rate
13 stabilization plan proceeding or explicitly in
14 the, quote, additional 4 percent generation
15 proceedings.

16 Q. Okay, Mr. Roush, let me take your
17 answer in pieces and try to understand what
18 you're saying. You're saying that there were
19 incremental capital additions from the period
20 2001 to 2008 above and beyond those
21 environmental capital additions that were placed
22 in the fuel adjustment clause by Mr. Nelson; is
23 that correct?

24 A. No. My understanding, and again

1 Mr. Nelson is probably the better person to talk
2 about it, but I can tell you what I know and he
3 can -- what I know or my recollection. In the
4 Companies' RSP filing, I believe it was
5 Mr. Nelson who identified certain environmental
6 capital additions.

7 Q. Yes.

8 A. And in the, quote, additional 4
9 percent case proceedings, there were further
10 capital additions that were identified, and
11 those capital additions might have been, I don't
12 know, let me use a number for illustration, say
13 it was a hundred dollars of capital additions.
14 What this incremental would be, let's say during
15 the 2001 to 2008 period, the Company spent \$120
16 on capital additions, a hundred of which were
17 reflected in the RSP and the additional 4
18 percent cases. So we're identifying the
19 additional 20 in this purely hypothetical
20 example of environmental capital additions
21 that's above and beyond what was already set in
22 rates either through the RSP or those additional
23 4 percent proceedings.

24 Q. And so you really do not know what

1 the additional environmental capital additions
2 were that were not explicitly or implicitly set
3 in the RSP. That would have been Mr. Nelson's
4 responsibility?

5 A. Yes. I don't know that information
6 other than what he provided me.

7 Q. And you wouldn't know then how
8 Mr. Nelson determined that any incremental
9 capital additions were not incorporated into
10 either the RSP rates or the 4 percent generation
11 rates?

12 MR. CONWAY: I'm going to object to
13 the question, the use of the word
14 "incorporated." I believe the witness said that
15 the incremental additions that were identified
16 in the RSP case and the additional 4 percent
17 cases, in his words at any rate, were implicitly
18 recognized in the RSP case and he may have said
19 expressly recognized with regard to the RSP
20 case, but I don't think he said they were
21 actually incorporated into those rates; and I
22 also think Mr. Nelson would agree with that
23 characterization, so with that correction.

24 MS. GRADY: I understand.

1 Q. Is there a question pending?

2 A. If there is I don't recall it, so if
3 you wouldn't mind repeating it.

4 Q. Let me think about that. I don't
5 think we need to pursue that. That's certainly
6 something we can talk to Mr. Nelson about.

7 Now, with respect to these
8 incremental capital additions, which Mr. Nelson
9 identified, all your responsibility was to
10 reflect carrying costs on these incremental
11 investments for purposes of the non-FAC related
12 generation charge; is that correct?

13 A. I think so, but let me be specific.
14 Mr. Nelson would have calculated what the
15 incremental additions were, and then he also
16 calculated what the carrying costs on those
17 incremental additions would be for 2009 forward
18 and that is the amount that I then incorporated
19 into the rates.

20 Q. Okay, thank you, Mr. Nelson -- or
21 Mr. Roush. I keep wanting to say Major Nelson.
22 I was a big "I Dream of Jeannie" fan.

23 What are the proposed rate increases
24 that you have for your non-FAC generation rate

1 for CSP and Ohio Power in years 2010 and 2011,
2 and where would I find that information?

3 A. I guess if you go back to Exhibit
4 DMR-1, that identified two components to the
5 increase and the non-FAC generation. The first
6 is the one we were just discussing, the 2001 to
7 2008 incremental environmental capital
8 investment and that's the first line.

9 Q. And for 2010 and 2011 that's shown
10 as zero?

11 A. That's correct. There is no
12 incremental additional amount above the 84
13 million increase in '10 and '11 for that item.

14 And then the second component is
15 that annual, and this is on Ohio Power -- I'm
16 sorry, I flipped to DMR-1, page 2 of 2. Sorry.

17 Q. Okay.

18 A. For Ohio Power, the second line says
19 annual 7 percent non-FAC generation increase,
20 and those amounts are shown on that line.

21 Q. Now, let's talk for a moment about
22 the annual 3 percent non-FAC generation increase
23 and the annual 7 percent non-FAC generation
24 increase. How did the Company determine the

1 increase should be 3 percent for CSP and 7
2 percent for Ohio Power and what does it
3 specifically relate to?

4 A. As far as how the Company determined
5 them, I really think you need to talk to
6 Mr. Baker about that. He would have provided
7 those to me.

8 Q. Okay.

9 A. As far as what all is -- what those
10 are intended to recover or what makes up those,
11 I only have a general understanding of that.
12 This would include any 2009 and beyond
13 environmental capital expenditures, and just any
14 other on-going increases in non-FAC related
15 generation costs.

16 Q. And what, if you know, what non-FAC
17 generation related costs would those be, if you
18 know?

19 A. I can't cite anything specific. In
20 general, it would be that the Companies'
21 on-going non-FAC generation costs would be
22 increasing due to things like the cost of labor,
23 the cost of materials, et cetera, just in
24 general. I can't speak specifically.

1 Q. That would be something, a question
2 to direct to Mr. Baker specifically? He would
3 be the witness responsible for the non-FAC
4 generation cost increases of 3 and 7 percent?

5 A. If my memory is correct, yes.

6 Q. Okay. Now, you also testify,
7 Mr. Roush, to a distribution rate increase for
8 both CSP and Ohio Power, do you not?

9 A. I designed the rate, the base
10 distribution rate increases based on information
11 provided to me by other witnesses.

12 Q. Now, can you tell me what the
13 distribution rate increase is intended to
14 recover, if you know, and let's begin with the
15 CSP distribution rate increase. Is it 6 percent
16 or 7 percent? And we can go back to DMR-4 to
17 take a look at that.

18 A. You can find it either on DMR-1 or
19 DMR-4 and for CSP it's 7 percent annual
20 distribution increase.

21 Q. Okay. And for Ohio Power it's 6.5
22 percent?

23 A. Yes. For Ohio Power it's 6.5
24 percent annual distribution increase.

1 Q. I'm sorry. I didn't mean to
2 interrupt. Can you tell me what, for instance,
3 the CSP, what that 7 percent distribution rate
4 increase -- distribution increase is intended to
5 recover, if you know?

6 A. Sure. And I believe I address that
7 specifically on page 11 of my testimony.
8 Starting at about line 5 it says "Based upon the
9 projected costs of the Companies' Enhanced
10 Reliability Programs and gridSMART initiative,"
11 so those are the two items which are included.

12 Q. And those two items would pertain to
13 the 7 percent increase for CSP as well as the
14 6.5 percent increase for Ohio Power?

15 A. Just to be clear, the gridSMART
16 initiative is at this time a CSP only for phase
17 1. So distribution reliability is a program for
18 both Companies. The gridSMART is a CSP only
19 program.

20 Q. Of the 7 percent based distribution
21 increase, what percent is attributable to
22 gridSMART and what percent is attributable to
23 the reliability, enhanced reliability program,
24 if you know?

1 A. No, I don't have that percentage
2 with me.

3 Q. Are the dollars reflected, would
4 that be reflected on DMR-4, a breakdown of the
5 dollars?

6 A. Yes. DMR-4 shows a breakdown of the
7 incremental revenue requirement between
8 gridSMART and distribution reliability.

9 Q. Are there any other cost items, if
10 you know, that comprise the 7 percent or the 6.5
11 percent distribution rate increase for CSP and
12 Ohio Power, other than what we discussed, the
13 gridSMART and the enhanced reliability program?

14 A. No. Those are the only components
15 that make up the 7 percent and 6 and a half
16 percent.

17 Q. Now, let's move along, Mr. Roush, to
18 the POLR charge. You begin talking about the
19 Provider of Last Resort or P-O-L-R charge, POLR,
20 and you indicate on lines 1 through 7 of page 12
21 that the costs of POLR are allocated based on
22 demand. Do you see that reference?

23 A. Yes, I do.

24 Q. Are you referring there to the

1 allocation between different rate classes or an
2 allocation among individual customers or both?

3 A. The allocation that I'm discussing
4 there is between rate classes.

5 Q. Are the POLR charges expressed in a
6 cents per kilowatt hour in the Companies'
7 application, if you know?

8 A. The POLR charges in the Companies'
9 application are expressed as a cents per
10 kilowatt hour by rate schedule in the Companies'
11 application.

12 Q. Now, on AEP Exhibit DMR-1 you
13 indicate, do you not, that current rates reflect
14 POLR charges; is that correct?

15 A. Yes, that's correct. The Company
16 currently has a POLR charge for both CSP and OP.

17 Q. And the POLR charge that's reflected
18 on, for instance, DMR-1, page 1 of 2, that would
19 be the POLR charge estimate based on 2009
20 forecasted revenues, is that correct, or usage I
21 should say?

22 A. The POLR amount shown under Current
23 Rates in Exhibit DMR-1 is based upon the
24 Companies' current POLR rates and forecast 2009

1 usage.

2 Q. So for the CSP there's approximately
3 14.5 million in POLR rates or in POLR -- let me
4 strike that.

5 Do you know how much POLR revenue is
6 being collected by the Company for, for
7 instance, the 2008 period? Is that a number
8 that the Company keeps and knows of?

9 A. To answer the first part of your
10 question, I don't know the number. Does the
11 Company have records on how much the Company
12 collected under the POLR rider year to date
13 2008?

14 Q. Yes.

15 A. The answer to that is yes.

16 Q. And they would have pretty much
17 current information up to maybe several months
18 behind, for instance? We are now in October
19 2008. Would you assume that the Company has or
20 that the Company -- that you now have revenue
21 figures for perhaps August, up and through
22 August 2008 for the POLR charges collected
23 through customers' rates?

24 A. We should have the values up through

1 September for what we have collected year to
2 date under the POLR.

3 Q. So you're about a month behind in
4 terms of what you're collecting and when you
5 have that figure available?

6 A. Roughly.

7 Q. And do you know if the POLR charges
8 collected in 2008 are significantly different
9 from the POLR charges shown as current rates in
10 DMR-1?

11 A. I would expect that once we get to
12 the end of 2008, the numbers would not be
13 significantly different than the values shown on
14 Exhibit DMR-1. The differences would just be
15 actual 2008 usage versus forecast 2009 usage.

16 Q. Under the Companies' proposal in
17 this case, does it intend to make an adjustment
18 in some respect to account for the actual, for
19 instance, the actual POLR revenues collected
20 versus the forecasted POLR revenues that you
21 have developed for purposes of DMR-1?

22 A. Are you asking me if the POLR rates
23 that the Companies proposing are stated rates or
24 whether there's some on-going reconciliation?

1 Is that the question?

2 Q. I guess what we're talking about,
3 Mr. Roush, is you've indicated that DMR-1, the
4 Current Rate column really is a reflection of
5 forecasted information for 2009. And so my
6 question really goes to whether or not, when you
7 calculate, when you do the non-FAC component
8 under the Companies' ESP proposal, is there an
9 intention of the Company that forecasted rates
10 will be substituted with actual information and
11 then trued up, if a true-up is necessary?

12 MR. CONWAY: I'm going to object
13 just because it was a little bit confusing. You
14 did say forecasted information in the predicate
15 to the question, and he's been pretty consistent
16 saying it's forecasted usage; the rates are 2008
17 rates not forecasted rates.

18 MS. GRADY: Right. It's 2008 rates
19 with forecasted usage.

20 Q. I guess my question is if the actual
21 usage differs from the forecasted usage, is
22 there an intention under the Companies'
23 proposal, the ESP proposal to true up the
24 difference between the forecasted revenues and

1 the actual revenues?

2 A. Just to be clear, we're still
3 specifically talking about the POLR?

4 Q. Well, I would like to expand this
5 beyond POLR, but let's talk about POLR right
6 now.

7 A. Okay. That's where I started to get
8 confused. Specifically, in the context of POLR
9 the Companies' proposal is a stated rate that
10 would be established for the entire ESP period
11 2009, '10, and '11.

12 Q. And that stated rate for 2009, 2010,
13 and 2011 is as reflected in the current rate
14 column for, speaking of POLR, in the current
15 rate column entitled POLR in DMR-1?

16 A. No, that's not correct. That's
17 based upon the current rate. The proposed POLR
18 rate would be the current rate plus the increase
19 shown for 2009, and it would be also shown on
20 DMR-4.

21 Q. And I understand that now. I guess
22 I was jumping the gun. But the current rate to
23 which you're adding additional POLR charges will
24 not be trued up to show what actually occurred

1 versus what was forecasted?

2 A. I believe the answer to your
3 question is no. I'm just --

4 Q. No, it will not be trued up?

5 A. That yeah, there is no -- for
6 example, if we stay on Exhibit DMR-1, page 1 of
7 2, the 14,580,921 there is no true-up to that.
8 It may be easier to see on Exhibit DMR-5.

9 Q. I know you said easier to see there.
10 I don't see it. If you could walk me through, I
11 have got DMR-5.

12 A. I'd be happy to walk you through
13 it. The second column there is labeled Forecast
14 Kilowatt Hours.

15 Q. Yes.

16 A. And all I simply did was multiply
17 the forecast kilowatt hours times the current
18 rate.

19 Q. Yes.

20 A. To come up with current revenue of
21 \$14,580,921.

22 Q. Got ya; got ya.

23 A. And then continuing through the
24 exhibit, Mr. Baker provided me the value of

1 \$108,204,637.

2 Q. As the proposed POLR increase?

3 A. Proposed total POLR.

4 Q. Total POLR. So that the \$108
5 million figure includes the 14,580,921 which
6 we've been discussing?

7 A. Effectively, yes. The 108 is the
8 total POLR dollars.

9 Q. And that as far as you know, the
10 total POLR dollars are those that will apply in
11 2009, 2010, and 2011 under your proposal?

12 A. Correct. The rates shown in that
13 very next column, the proposed rates --

14 Q. Yes.

15 A. -- those rates would be in effect
16 for 2009, 2010, and 2011.

17 Q. And on DMR-1, page 2 of 2, if I took
18 the POLR figure of 39,700,305 I would see that
19 reflected on DMR-5 under the current POLR
20 revenue, and then I would see as well that the
21 proposed POLR for Ohio Power would be the
22 80,891,126?

23 A. It's 60; 60,891,126.

24 Q. 60,891,126, which would include,

1 effectively, the 39,700,305 POLR shown on DMR-1,
2 page 2 of 2?

3 A. Correct. The roughly 61 million is
4 the total revenue requirement for POLR.

5 Q. Now, with respect to the other
6 non-FAC components, we have talked about POLR,
7 and I'm going to DMR-1, back to DMR-1 again. We
8 went through a series of questions which were
9 aimed at determining whether the amount shown
10 for POLR under Current Rates would actually be
11 trued up, and I guess my question goes to all
12 the other items within the Current Rate column.
13 Are those revenues shown in that column, are
14 those ever trued up under the Companies'
15 proposal to reflect not forecasted 2009 figures
16 but what actually occurred in a period, say,
17 2008 or even 2009?

18 A. I guess I'm still struggling with
19 the concept of the current rates being trued up,
20 and it may just be terminology. But the way I
21 view this is the Company is setting its proposed
22 rates, and then the question is are the proposed
23 rates trued up to reflect any overrun or
24 collection? Is that what you're asking me?

1 Q. Yeah, with respect to that first
2 column which shows different components of
3 non-FAC as well as FAC, those are set in stone,
4 never to be touched again even if the actual
5 figures vary by 20 or 30 percent from the 2009
6 forecasted figures?

7 A. I guess somehow we're still
8 disconnecting because I'm not understanding your
9 question. I apologize.

10 Q. Let me try this way. You indicated
11 a while back, Mr. Roush, that when we were
12 talking about DMR-1, column 1, Current Rates,
13 that that is based upon forecasted usage, I
14 believe is what you said, for 2009; is that
15 correct?

16 A. Yes. The information shown under
17 Current Rates is the application of the
18 Companies' current rates to forecast 2009 usage.

19 Q. So if the 2009 actual usage varies
20 from the 2009 forecasted usage, it would -- in
21 your proposal there is no true-up of current
22 rates, current rates being as shown on DMR-1,
23 column 1, to actual revenues produced?

24 A. Could you read the question back?

1 I apologize.

2 Q. I'm not trying to make it difficult,
3 Mr. Roush.

4 A. I know you're not. We're just not
5 connecting.

6 (Question read.).

7 A. No, there wouldn't be. And I guess
8 where I'm having the disconnect maybe a little
9 bit is the current rates would not be in effect
10 in 2009.

11 Q. But the current rates are the base
12 for -- they are the base, are they not, for the
13 2009 rates? They are the starting point for the
14 2009 rates so that the current rates listed in
15 column 1 are the base, and then adjustments are
16 applied to that base in 2009, 2010, and 2011?

17 A. Forecast 2009 usage was the basis
18 for the design of, I believe, virtually all of
19 the rates that the Company is proposing.

20 Q. If I wanted to determine the total
21 POLR charge -- let me strike that.

22 On page 14 of your testimony, line
23 15, you discuss FAC filings, and that's page 14,
24 line 15, and you said "the Companies will make

1 periodic FAC filings in accordance with the
2 Commission's ESP rules." Then you go on to
3 state that you will identify under and
4 over-recovery of actual FAC costs. Do you see
5 that reference where you say "Such filings will
6 include a projection of anticipated FAC costs
7 and identify any current under/over-recovery of
8 actual FAC costs." Do you see that?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And your tariffs, Mr. Roush, include
11 FAC charges for secondary, primary, and
12 sub/transmission customers; is that correct?

13 A. There's secondary, primary, and
14 sub/tran/transmission customers.

15 Q. And the tariff for the fuel
16 adjustment clause would be sheet 80; is that
17 correct?

18 A. Which company?

19 Q. There are tariff sheets for
20 different companies? I have got sheet No. 80-1
21 that appears to be, just says -- well, is that
22 applicable only to one company and not both of
23 them? It says Columbus Southern Power Company.
24 I'm sorry.

1 A. I just wanted to make sure we're on
2 the same page.

3 Q. Yeah. So that is for Columbus
4 Southern Power, so there would also be a
5 corresponding tariff sheet for Ohio Power; is
6 that correct?

7 A. Right, and I believe we numbered
8 them consistently so I believe it's 80-1 for
9 Columbus Southern -- or for Ohio Power.

10 Q. I appreciate that characterization,
11 or qualification, I guess. If we look at like,
12 for instance, and I have got the CSP sheet No.
13 80, if we look at the FAC shown there, that
14 shows, does it not, the projected fuel cost of
15 the FAC?

16 A. No.

17 Q. Or is that the charge in order to
18 stay within the 15 percent cap, if you know?

19 A. That is the FAC based upon the
20 limitations to achieve approximately 15 percent.

21 Q. Okay.

22 A. For 2009.

23 Q. Okay. And if you could, I'd like to
24 walk through how the under and over-recovery of

1 actual FAC costs will work. First, in doing so,
2 I want you to leave out the deferral. And to
3 keep it simple, let's suppose that the projected
4 fuel cost of 2009 FAC is exactly 3.5 cents per
5 kilowatt hour. That would be the amount that
6 would be charged during 2009, is that correct,
7 under the way you propose the fuel adjustment
8 clause rider to work?

9 A. Could you read that back?

10 (Question read.)

11 A. Am I understanding your question to
12 say if projected fuel FAC cost for 2009 were 3.5
13 cents, when you said leave out the deferral, you
14 mean assuming there is no deferral?

15 Q. Correct.

16 A. Then the FAC for 2009 would be, it
17 would be not exactly 3.5 cents as we proposed
18 it. The FAC would vary by voltage.

19 Q. Okay. But let's just say, for
20 instance, for a particular voltage, let's just
21 talk about secondary voltage.

22 A. Okay.

23 Q. Your tariff sheet would indicate for
24 the secondary voltage that the fuel adjustment

1 clause charge for secondary is 3.45377. That
2 would be the amount that would be charged during
3 2009, setting deferrals aside at this point?

4 A. Under the Companies' proposal the
5 3.45377 is what would be charged in 2009.

6 Q. Yes.

7 A. Just to be clear, under the
8 Companies' proposal that amount does cause a
9 deferral.

10 Q. Okay. Does cause a deferral?

11 A. Based on the Companies' forecasts.

12 Q. Understood. Now, at the end of 2009
13 or at the beginning of 2007 -- I'm sorry. At
14 the end of 2009 or beginning of 2010, would you
15 be truing up or calculating the actual cost of
16 the FAC accounts?

17 A. Yes. The Company would be
18 periodically, and I'm not sure what the periodic
19 is, whether it's quarterly or annually, but
20 they, the Company, would periodically calculate
21 here's actual FAC cost, here's actual FAC
22 revenue collected.

23 Q. Yes.

24 A. And comparing the two.

1 Q. Comparing the two. Now, let's
2 suppose that the actual average cost in 2009 was
3 not the 3.45377, but was only, for instance 3.3
4 cents. Keeping deferrals apart again, this
5 would be an over-collection, would it not,
6 related to the actual FAC?

7 A. Yes, that would be. If the actual
8 FAC was lower than the 3.45 and change, that
9 would be an over-collection.

10 Q. And how is the over-collection trued
11 up, if you know, or would it be trued up under
12 the Companies' proposal?

13 A. Any over or under-recovery, I think
14 that's what the language on page 14 of my
15 testimony was attempting to address, was that
16 any over or under-recovery would be identified
17 and incorporated into the next FAC.

18 Q. Now, has the Company, in the
19 Companies' proposal, when it under collects, for
20 instance, when there's a difference between the
21 projected fuel adjustment clause charge and what
22 was actually the cost -- let me strike that.

23 Does the Companies' proposal address
24 carrying costs to be applied to either the

1 over-collection or the under-collection under
2 the fuel adjustment charge?

3 A. I don't know. I don't know if I'm
4 confused. Are we talking now about the
5 Companies' proposal or the kind of hypothetical
6 we just walked through?

7 Q. Let's talk about the Companies'
8 proposal first.

9 A. I believe, and Mr. Assante would be
10 better to answer the question, but my
11 recollection is that for amounts that are being
12 deferred, that there would be a carrying cost on
13 deferrals, but I'm not certain of that.

14 Q. Okay.

15 A. I'm just not certain of that,
16 whether my memory is serving me correctly or
17 not. I don't recall anything beyond that.

18 Q. So you wouldn't recall when there
19 was over-collection, that there is carrying
20 charges proposed for that over-collection?

21 A. No, I don't recall.

22 Q. And you indicate that would be
23 Mr. Assante's area, if you know?

24 A. I believe that would be his area.

1 He addressed the FAC deferral accounting, which
2 I think is what I said at page 15, lines 4
3 through 6 of my testimony.

4 Q. Okay. Thank you. Mr. Roush, do you
5 provide testimony as to what will occur under
6 the final true-up of CSP's power acquisition
7 rider, or let me state it this way. Do you know
8 or do you have a proposal as to how the final
9 true-up of CSP's power acquisition rider will be
10 made?

11 A. I know we have to do it. I haven't
12 given any thought to that filing yet.

13 Q. It's too far out, huh? Would the
14 final true-up of the -- would the cessation of
15 the power acquisition rider have an impact on
16 the FAC component or the non-FAC components
17 related to generation?

18 A. I think the easiest way to answer
19 that question is go back to Exhibit DMR-1.

20 Q. Yes, that's a good exhibit, huh?

21 A. And in the Current Rates column the
22 revenues under the current power acquisition
23 rider would be included in the FAC components
24 amount identified for CSP of 604,035,556.

1 Q. I'm sorry. Which sheet are you
2 looking at?

3 A. Exhibit DMR-1, page 1 of 2.

4 Q. I'm sorry. If you could go through
5 that again?

6 A. Sure. The current power acquisition
7 rider, the revenues associated with that are
8 part of the FAC component identified for CSP
9 under the Current Rate column of 604,035,556.

10 Q. And so if the power acquisition
11 rider ceases in 2009, as it is intended to,
12 would you agree that there would have to be some
13 recognition of that in calculating the FAC for
14 2009, 2010, and 2011?

15 A. Yes, and I believe that is
16 recognized in the Companies' 2009 FAC
17 calculation.

18 Q. And how is that recognized?

19 A. That the purchase power costs that
20 drive the -- the power acquisition rider that's
21 currently in rates today, those purchases end at
22 the end of 2008 and are not reflected in the FAC
23 calculation for 2009.

24 Q. So that the FAC calculation for 2009

1 has backed out the purchase power acquisition
2 costs?

3 A. It hasn't backed it out. There is
4 no cost in 2009 related to those purchase power
5 arrangements is my understanding.

6 Q. But in the current rate, the current
7 FAC component, based upon the 2009 forecasted
8 usage, the 604,035,556 would include the
9 purchase power acquisition costs, correct?

10 A. Yes. The approximately 604 million
11 includes the purchase power related to Mon
12 Power's power acquisition.

13 Q. Do you know how much that purchase
14 power is? How much revenue or rates, revenues
15 produced under current rates that would equate
16 to?

17 A. No, I don't have that.

18 Q. Is there another witness who might
19 have that information or directly testifies on
20 that?

21 A. I don't know. I don't know if -- I
22 don't recall Mr. Nelson having that information
23 but it might be there, but I just don't recall.

24 Q. Mr. Nelson gave you the FAC

1 component, did he not?

2 A. He gave me the -- he did not give me
3 the dollar amount. He gave me the rate which
4 applied to kWh.

5 Q. And the kWh again was a 2009
6 forecasted usage?

7 A. Yes, that's correct.

8 Q. So you'd have to take out that
9 particular component and then apply it to 2009
10 forecasted usage to determine how much of the
11 current rate revenues are associated with the
12 purchase power acquisition cost?

13 A. I think that's right. I think
14 that's right.

15 Q. Now, let's talk for a moment about
16 your testimony about what happens if AEP does
17 not receive approval of your tariff changes by
18 December 30, 2008. And at the moment I'm trying
19 to find out where, to remember where your
20 testimony on that is. Do you remember where
21 that is? Okay, page 15. You say that if AEP
22 does not receive approval of its tariff changes
23 by December 30, 2008, that you propose the
24 implementation of a one-time rider with the

1 ultimately approved ESP rates. Is that a
2 correct characterization of your testimony?

3 MR. CONWAY: Maureen, I don't mean
4 to interrupt you, but is your question whether
5 or not you synopsisized his testimony accurately,
6 or are you just trying to find a beginning point
7 at page 15?

8 MS. GRADY: Yes, I guess a beginning
9 point.

10 MR. CONWAY: Okay. And that's where
11 he discusses it is the bottom of 15 and top of
12 16, and his testimony says whatever it says
13 about it.

14 MS. GRADY: Right.

15 Q. And you're proposing a one-time
16 rider, correct?

17 A. What we're suggesting is that if we
18 don't receive approval by December 30, that
19 rather than implement the ESP rates subject to
20 reconciliation, that we delay the implementation
21 of the rates until we get an order from the
22 Commission, and that we have a one-time rider to
23 collect any unrecovered amounts back to the
24 beginning of the January billing cycle.

1 Q. Okay. So you would collect the
2 difference between the approved ESP rates and
3 the actual rates that were charged to customer
4 during the time frame December 30, 2008 until
5 the effective date of your approved ESP rates;
6 is that correct?

7 A. Yes, that's correct.

8 Q. And what is the basis for this rider
9 in terms of what policy or what rationale are
10 you using to come up with this proposal? Is it
11 based on your reading of 221 or is it based on
12 some other regulatory policy?

13 A. I think the starting point for it is
14 Senate Bill 221's requirement that the
15 Commission issue an order within 150 days.

16 Q. Yes.

17 A. Which would be before December 30,
18 2008, married with the pragmatism that the
19 regulatory process doesn't always work exactly
20 on ideal time frames. So kind of comparing
21 those two things, saying we fully expect the
22 Commission to do what meets the legislative
23 mandate, but if for some unforeseen reason that
24 doesn't happen, that the Company should not be

1 penalized.

2 Q. Now, Mr. Roush, are there any other
3 provisions of Senate Bill 221, other than the
4 requirement being the order be issued in 150
5 days, that would suggest or that you would read
6 to permit you to implement this one-time rider?

7 MR. CONWAY: At this point I'm going
8 to object if you are asking Mr. Roush to render
9 legal opinions about what the law requires or
10 permits, and what the various provisions that
11 might be relevant to the Companies' position of
12 being made whole in the event that the order
13 doesn't come out on a timely basis. So he can
14 testify as to what he understands to be the
15 case, but the Companies' position on this issue
16 is a matter of its interpretation and its
17 counsel's advice about proper interpretation of
18 the law.

19 Q. I guess you can go ahead and answer
20 the question if you can.

21 MR. CONWAY: I think he has answered
22 the question but if he has anymore to say about
23 it, he's welcome to provide whatever he knows.

24 A. Can you repeat the question for me?

1 (Question read.)

2 A. I don't recall any others.

3 Q. Okay. Now, under the -- I'm turning
4 now to customer bill impacts. In your testimony
5 on customer bill impacts, you testified that
6 "Upon implementation, residential customers
7 using 1,000 kWh -- this is on page 16 of your
8 testimony -- using 1,000 kWh of electricity per
9 month would see a monthly increase of \$16.13 for
10 CSP and \$11.88 for Ohio Power"; is that correct?

11 A. Yes, that's correct.

12 Q. Is it your conclusion that the rates
13 that you propose are reasonable and lawful under
14 SB 221?

15 MR. CONWAY: Objection. You are
16 asking him to render a legal opinion about the
17 Companies' rate proposal. I'll answer that
18 question. The answer is yes, they're reasonable
19 and lawful.

20 Q. Would you, Mr. Roush, consider these
21 reasonably priced retail electric service?

22 A. Yes, I would consider the Companies'
23 proposed rates to be reasonable prices.

24 Q. Would you believe that the rates

1 that you're proposing would be sufficient to
2 protect at-risk populations?

3 MR. CONWAY: I'll object to the
4 question. What it means -- what at-risk
5 population means is unclear.

6 A. I guess the only thing I can say is
7 that our ESP proposal in its totality and the
8 provisions contained within Mr. Hamrock's
9 testimony, I believe, address that at-risk
10 population as defined in Senate Bill 221.

11 Q. Under the rates that you have
12 proposed under your plan from 2009 and -- strike
13 that. Under the rates that you are proposing,
14 would you agree that you are recognizing the
15 practice of gradualism or not?

16 A. I think specifically in the context
17 of the Companies' FAC phase-in proposal, that
18 that very much aligns with the principle of
19 gradualism.

20 Q. And the phase-in proposal as you
21 understand it is the 15 percent, limiting the
22 increase to 15 percent per year during the first
23 three years, and then collecting in subsequent
24 years any increases that have not been -- that

1 have been -- that have not been collected during
2 those first three years from customers in
3 subsequent time frame?

4 A. I guess I would say it a little bit
5 differently; that the phase-in proposal is to
6 maintain bill increases of approximately 15
7 percent in the first three years, and then if
8 need to, deferred FAC costs would be collected
9 beginning in 2012 forward.

10 Q. And if you know, Mr. Roush, the
11 deferred FAC costs that are intended to be
12 collected in the 2011 forward period, do you
13 have an indication of what percent increase to
14 customers' rates those would be?

15 MR. CONWAY: Object to the use of
16 the word 2011. I think you meant to say 2012.

17 Q. I'm sorry. 2012.

18 A. I do not have such a calculation.

19 Q. Do you know, is there a calculation
20 the Company is filing showing the estimated or
21 forecasted increases that will be incurred as a
22 result of deferring expected costs that are
23 above and beyond the 15 percent per year during
24 the three-year period?

1 A. Not to my knowledge. The only thing
2 I recall was an example calculation in Mr.
3 Assante's testimony of how the deferrals would
4 be calculated, but I believe that example only
5 used forecast 2009 fuel levels.

6 Q. Do you know if the Company has, and
7 I understand it's not presented in the case if
8 that's what your testimony is, has the Company
9 done calculations, if you know, as to an
10 estimate or an approximation of the costs of
11 deferrals expected as a result of the plan it's
12 implementing or it's proposing to implement in
13 this case?

14 A. It may have. I don't recall.

15 Q. If you know, who would be the AEP --
16 who would be the witness that would be most
17 familiar with any plan or any estimates or data
18 related to the impact on rates of deferrals
19 above and beyond the 15 percent during the
20 three-year period?

21 A. I don't know.

22 Q. Would you know which department or
23 which portion of the Company would be
24 responsible for that kind of information or

1 generating those kind of reports or estimates on
2 the impact of the ESP plan being proposed, and
3 the effect of deferring costs above and beyond
4 the 15 percent into later years?

5 A. In general, I would expect my group
6 to be involved.

7 Q. Your group?

8 A. Yeah.

9 Q. Being?

10 A. Regulated pricing and analysis.

11 Q. Any other groups?

12 A. I would expect probably Mr. Nelson
13 might also be involved and possibly Mr. Assante.
14 Those are -- I mean, I think between the three
15 of us we would be the ones doing such a
16 calculation and, I don't recall.

17 Q. Now, on DMR-11 you show typical
18 usage levels for AEP's major tariff schedules.
19 Can you tell me what typical usage is embodied
20 in that bill impact analysis?

21 A. What we endeavored to show here is a
22 range of usage level that is representative of
23 customers on the various Company rate schedules.

24 Q. And what is the range of usage level

1 shown?

2 MR. CONWAY: Are you asking him
3 what's on DMR-11?

4 Q. Yes. Okay. So the usage would be
5 in the left-hand column, the kWh column. That
6 would be the usage upon which the bill impact
7 would be calculated; is that correct?

8 A. The kWh column and the KW column for
9 demand metered customers.

10 Q. Thank you. Now, Mr. Roush, we have
11 been discussing in quite a bit of detail DMR-1,
12 page 1 and page 2 of 2 where you have the
13 summary of the requested rate increase. Does
14 this reflect the rate increase within the cap
15 adhering to the 15 percent or is this
16 irrespective of the cap?

17 A. For 2009 this reflects the
18 Companies' proposed increases following that
19 approximate 15 percent guideline. For 2010 and
20 2011, the calculation is basically assuming that
21 the Company can successfully hit the 15 percent
22 exactly, you know, and that's based upon the
23 maximum FAC increases which I calculated in
24 Exhibit DMR-8.

1 Q. So the maximum FAC increase reflects
2 not the expected FAC increase but what would be
3 permissible under a 15 percent cap?

4 A. Yes, that's correct. The FAC
5 increases in 2010 and 2011 are not a projection
6 of what the FAC might actually be. It's a
7 projection of the most that it could be under
8 the Companies' approximate 15 percent guideline.

9 Q. Does the Company have information
10 that would show the 2010 and 2011 projections of
11 what the FAC will be as opposed to this schedule
12 which limits the FAC increase to stay within the
13 cap?

14 A. I believe that information was filed
15 in our supplemental filing, I believe.

16 Q. And when you refer to your
17 supplemental filing, do you know what date you
18 are referring to?

19 MR. CONWAY: October 16.

20 Q. Is that the filing that was --

21 MR. CONWAY: I think I shouldn't
22 speak for you, but.

23 A. I don't recall the specific date but
24 it was within the past two weeks.

1 Q. Was that the information that the
2 Company requested a waiver on and the Commission
3 denied the waiver? Is that the information
4 produced as a result of that?

5 MR. CONWAY: That is what I'm
6 referring to, yes, and I believe Mr. Roush is
7 referring to as a supplemental filing.

8 Q. Okay. So that information,
9 Mr. Roush, would actually present -- strike
10 that.

11 MS. GRADY: I think that's all,
12 Mr. Roush. Thank you for your time and I'm
13 going to turn you over to Mr. Settineri.

14 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

15 MR. SETTINERI: Off the record.

16 (Off the record.)

17 (Mr. Duann leaves.)

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19 EXAMINATION

20 By Mr. Settineri:

21 Q. Mr. Roush, good afternoon. My name
22 is Mike Settineri from the Vorys, Sater, Seymour
23 and Pease law firm. I'm here today on behalf of
24 Constellation NewEnergy, Inc., Constellation

1 Energy Commodities Group, Inc., Integrys Energy
2 Services, Inc, and Direct Energy Services, LLC.

3 I want to start first with looking
4 at your testimony, and let's turn to page 5,
5 lines 10, 11, and 12. There you state "Given
6 the meager interest that customers have shown in
7 the current Emergency Curtailable Service (ECS)
8 and Price Curtailable Service (PCS) rider
9 offerings," I'd like you to explain for me what
10 do you mean by meager interest?

11 A. Basically, I do not recall more than
12 a handful of customers on the AEP system that
13 have signed up for those offerings.

14 Q. And when you say handful, what do
15 you mean by handful? Can you quantify that for
16 me?

17 A. No more than -- my recollection is
18 probably not more than ten.

19 Q. Can you break that out between ECS
20 and PCS?

21 A. No, I don't think I can.

22 Q. And just to clarify your answer, you
23 said no more than ten. Is that related to the
24 ECS and PCS offerings?

1 A. Right.

2 Q. Not the IRP-D?

3 A. Correct. The ECS and PCS, not the
4 IRP-D.

5 Q. Why do you think there's only been a
6 meager interest in those offerings?

7 A. I think some of it was probably due
8 to some of the provisions within those tariffs.
9 Some of it was probably due to the fact that
10 many of the customers that might have been
11 interested in that were already on tariffs like
12 Schedule IRP-D; and I just don't know how active
13 we were in trying to sign customers up either.
14 That's not my area of responsibility so I don't
15 know for sure, but.

16 Q. Any other reasons that you can think
17 of why there has been a meager interest or only
18 a handful of customers signed up for those
19 offerings?

20 A. That's all I can think of at this
21 time.

22 Q. Now, continuing on line 12 you note
23 that "AEP Ohio proposes significant
24 modifications to the existing offerings." Can

1 you explain to me how those offerings have been
2 modified, and specifically, to improve the
3 meager interest?

4 A. In the context of the emergency
5 curtailable service or ECS rider, I'm looking at
6 my Exhibit DMR-9.

7 Q. That's for Columbus Southern Power
8 Company?

9 A. Yes, and similar changes would have
10 been made for Ohio Power Company. The first
11 change was to make it available to customers
12 with curtailable demands of 1 megawatt instead
13 of 3 megawatts, which was the existing
14 provision.

15 Q. If I can ask you a question
16 specifically on that; do you have any forecast
17 as to what kind of increase you'll see with the
18 number of customers?

19 A. No, I don't have one.

20 Q. Any idea?

21 A. Not really.

22 Q. Has anybody talked to you about
23 that?

24 A. No.

1 Q. Okay. And then the next
2 modification?

3 A. I'm focusing on what I would
4 consider the significant modifications. The
5 next one would be the change in the per kilowatt
6 hour credit that would be provided to the
7 customer from a stated rate to a quoted price at
8 the time of the event.

9 Q. Can you explain that change to me a
10 little more. What is a curtailment credit?

11 A. Basically, at the time of an event
12 under the previous rider for the amount of
13 kilowatt hours that a customer curtailed, the
14 previous rider had a stated price per kilowatt
15 hour that was curtailed depending on the option
16 the customer selected. Under the proposed rider
17 the Company would quote to the customer a price
18 at the time of the curtailment event. So that
19 provision could allow for that. The quoted
20 price could be greater than the stated price,
21 whereas before the tariff restricted what the
22 payment could be.

23 Q. And who is developing that quote?

24 A. I don't know who specifically. It

1 would be the same folks, the same personnel that
2 notify our other interruptible customers.

3 Q. Can you just explain to me how is
4 that quotation created? What is it based on?

5 A. I don't know specifically but I
6 would -- I suspect that there might be some -- I
7 can't, you know, I can't suspect that, that's
8 not correct, because this would be an emergency
9 event. I'm not sure. I'm not sure.

10 Q. Do you know who would have that
11 information as to how that curtailment credit
12 will be calculated or the basis for the
13 quotation?

14 A. No, I don't.

15 Q. Do you know whether that curtailment
16 credit would be higher than the current set rate
17 that's currently in the tariff?

18 A. I believe it could be higher or
19 lower, depending on the circumstances at the
20 time that it's called.

21 Q. So a customer, under the ESC rider
22 or service, would that customer know prior to
23 taking this ESC offering what the curtailment
24 credit would be?

1 A. No, they would not.

2 Q. Any other modifications to this
3 sheet, specifically again going back to
4 improving on the meager interest or handful of
5 customers taking service or ESC?

6 A. Yes. The next item is the existing
7 ECS rider had a non-compliance or actually a
8 failure to curtail provision, and that provision
9 had a charge for non-compliance kilowatt hours
10 equal to half of the curtailment credit. The
11 new rider has no charge for non-compliance, so
12 that would be removing that failure to curtail
13 penalty for the customer.

14 Q. Any other modifications specifically
15 geared towards improving the number of customers
16 participating in this offering?

17 A. No. I think that is it for tariff
18 ECS. Do you want me to continue through PCS?

19 Q. In a minute. Can you briefly tell
20 me what would be the penalty for failure to
21 curtail under the ECS?

22 A. There is no financial penalty.
23 However, if in a given year the customer is
24 contacted and does not curtail twice during a

1 given year, then the Company reserves the right
2 to no longer serve the customer under the rider,
3 but it would still provide electric service to
4 the customer, but they just would no longer --
5 could no longer be eligible for the rider. It
6 is not an automatic.

7 Q. Okay. One other question while
8 we're on this sheet. Why was the language --
9 specifically on sheet 71-1 there's a red line
10 insert says, or the PJM interconnection LLC, and
11 backing up further, that sentence has a comma,
12 if an emergency condition exists on the American
13 Electric Power AEP system or the PJM
14 interconnection LLC. Why was that PJM language
15 added there?

16 A. At the time the original or the
17 existing character was put in place, the Company
18 was not a member of PJM so it was inserted to
19 recognize that we are now part of the PJM and
20 PJM could declare an emergency in our zone.

21 Q. Just to explain, what's the
22 difference when you say PJM zone and AEP system,
23 what's the difference?

24 A. In my mind, and I'm not the expert,

1 there really is no difference between the old
2 language of the American Electric Power System
3 or the AEP zone within PJM interconnection.

4 Q. Okay. And the same page, just
5 another quick question, it looks like the
6 seasons have been expanded there. You see
7 winter where there has been a strike-out of
8 December, January, and February and an insert
9 November 15 through March 15, and a similar
10 revision to the summer. Why were the seasons
11 expanded?

12 A. I believe the summer season was
13 expanded to match PJM's definition of summer;
14 and I think winter was just expanded to
15 correspond to be a four-month period similar to
16 summer.

17 Q. And the last question on this, going
18 back to the curtailment credit that would be
19 quoted, why the change from a set generation
20 credit to a quoted curtailment credit?

21 A. I think, again, it goes back to
22 providing a better price quote to the customer
23 rather than a preset price; that, for example,
24 the existing preset prices, I think, have been

1 there for at least eight years, probably longer.

2 Q. Okay. Thank you. Going back to our
3 original line of questions, we were talking
4 about the meager interest in the offerings, and
5 to switch now to the energy price curtailable
6 service rider sheet, if you can go through that
7 and, again, point to the modifications there
8 that you believe will improve on that meager
9 interest.

10 A. Certainly.

11 Q. Thank you.

12 A. The first thing is similar to ECS,
13 that we're increasing the number of customers
14 who are eligible by reducing the minimum size
15 from 3 megawatts down to 1 megawatt of
16 curtailment demand.

17 The next change is to provide a
18 day-ahead notification option and a current-day
19 notification option. The previous tariff
20 provided only basically a same-day notification
21 of one hour or greater.

22 Q. And if I can stop you there and just
23 simply ask, do you think that will improve
24 participation in this offering?

1 A. Yes, I do.

2 Q. Can you tell me to what extent you
3 believe it would improve participation in the
4 offering?

5 A. No, I can't give you a number of
6 additional customers that might be interested
7 now.

8 Q. Let me ask you, what do you base
9 your belief on that this will improve the
10 offering?

11 A. The basis of my belief is that some
12 customers prefer to have lead time as far as in
13 order to be able to respond to an event, and
14 that customers might say, well, one hour's
15 notice, I can't respond; but if you tell me the
16 day before, there's some things I might be able
17 to do to shift or reduce load.

18 Q. And I'm curious, can you identify
19 any customers today?

20 A. I cannot specifically.

21 Q. Okay. Continue on then. Any other
22 modifications to this offering?

23 A. The next component is on sheet 72-1
24 which previously the offering was basically

1 mandatory. Now the customer is notified and can
2 respond if they do not want to participate in a
3 given event. So it basically allows a customer
4 to make a decision like, well, I've really got
5 to get an order out the door, so I really can't
6 participate today or tomorrow, when you call and
7 give them that option to respond. It has a
8 similar provision to the ECS in that they
9 basically get three opportunities. They can
10 refuse to participate up to twice a season
11 without any issue. If they don't participate
12 three or more times during a season, then the
13 Company would reserve the right to discontinue
14 service under the rider.

15 Q. And you believe having that ability
16 to not have to curtail upon request would be an
17 improvement that would attract more customers?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Any other modifications?

20 A. The compensation for curtailment was
21 changed. Previously, the customer paid either
22 the greater of 3 and a half cents, the minimum
23 price that they specified when they signed up,
24 or 80 percent of the daily price index for

1 energy on peak for the day of the curtailment.
2 That was the previous provision. The current
3 provision still has they'll pay the greater of 3
4 and a half cents, the minimum price they
5 specified, or 80 percent of the LMP in that
6 hour, in each hour of the curtailment. So the
7 change from a daily price to an hourly price
8 during the event, I would expect, would provide
9 the opportunity for better compensation.

10 Q. Let me ask you a question -- strike
11 that. Any other modifications on this sheet
12 specifically towards improving customer
13 participation in this ECS offering?

14 MR. CONWAY: This is the PCS
15 offering.

16 Q. Thank you, PCS offering.

17 A. We previously discussed how they do
18 not -- how they have the option to respond
19 whether or not they participate in a given event
20 so those changes -- let's see. The only other
21 change would be there's an option for
22 participating for only 2 hours, for events of
23 only 2 hours' length. Previously, they could
24 choose either 4, 8, or 16 hours. Now they can

1 choose 2, 4, or 8 hours.

2 Q. That would be the maximum
3 curtailment period?

4 A. Yes, that's correct.

5 Q. Anything else?

6 A. I think that's about it.

7 Q. Okay. Thank you very much. One
8 question on that. Turning to sheet 72-3,
9 there's a monthly credit shall be equal to the
10 sum of the curtailment credits for the calendar
11 month less any non-compliance charges. What are
12 non-compliance charges?

13 A. The non-compliance charges would be
14 what are described on the next paragraph where
15 if the customer responds affirmatively that
16 they'll participate in an event and subsequently
17 fails to fully comply with the request for
18 curtailment, then there's a charge for the
19 amount of energy they fail to curtail that's
20 equal to the same -- it's at the same rate as
21 the credit they would be paid for the energy
22 they did curtail.

23 Q. Is that on top of paying for their
24 energy?

1 A. As I read the provision, I believe
2 their energy would get billed under whatever
3 normal tariff they're billed under and then the
4 non-compliance charge is a separate calculation.

5 Q. And again, what are the notice
6 provisions now under this proposed sheet?

7 A. Customer can select either day-ahead
8 notice or current-day notice.

9 Q. And previously what was the notice
10 requirement?

11 A. It was as little as one-hour notice.

12 Q. Do you view this non-compliance
13 charge as a penalty?

14 A. I guess I view it more as an
15 incentive to do what they agree to do, that
16 because now they have the option to say yes, I'm
17 going to or no, I'm not going to. If they say
18 yes, I'm going to, I kind of view it as just an
19 incentive to say, okay, well, do what you say.

20 Q. And if they can't curtail, they will
21 be charged the non-compliance charge?

22 A. If they told us that they will
23 curtail and then do not curtail, then they would
24 be charged that.

1 Q. Thank you. Going to the Schedule
2 IRP-D you reference in your testimony, page 5,
3 line 6 to 8, same question; any modifications to
4 this offering that are intended to improve
5 participation? I'm on sheet No. 25-1, Columbus
6 Southern Power Company.

7 A. For Columbus Southern Power, no.
8 For Ohio Power, the change that I would point to
9 is just making it available to more
10 customers/more megawatts of interruptible load.

11 Q. Why was that change made?

12 A. For Ohio Power, Ohio Power is
13 currently fully subscribed so it had no
14 additional to offer. So the change was made to
15 allow them to offer additional to meet the needs
16 of customers and also meet the peak demand
17 reduction requirements placed upon us under the
18 legislation.

19 Q. Any forecast done as to the
20 difference between 450 megawatts and 256
21 megawatts, how many customers will be using
22 that?

23 A. Not that I know of. I only recall a
24 few customers in the past that have expressed

1 interest but were not able to take, to
2 participate on IRP-D.

3 Q. That's in OP?

4 A. In OP's territory.

5 Q. CSP, why was that limit not changed?

6 I think previously you said it was 75,000 kVA;
7 is that correct?

8 A. That's correct, and it wasn't
9 changed because currently current subscription
10 is nowhere near that level.

11 Q. Do you know where it is?

12 A. My memory is not as good as it once
13 was. I think it's somewhere between ten and
14 20,000 kVA.

15 Q. Subject to check, I assume. Going
16 back to your testimony then, page 5 again,
17 that's where we'll focus most of our time today,
18 lines 10 through 14. At the end of that
19 sentence you make the statement that "while
20 maintaining a benefit for all of AEP Ohio's
21 customers," what benefit are you pointing to
22 there?

23 A. I didn't have a specific benefit in
24 mind when I wrote this. I was thinking of it in

1 the more generic sense of the benefit to AEP
2 Ohio of having a certain portion of its load
3 interruptible.

4 Q. And how would that benefit AEP Ohio?

5 A. There are a few different ways, and
6 it depends on each offering. One way is to be
7 able to use interruptible load for capacity
8 planning purposes. Another way is to be able to
9 call on interruptible customers in an emergency
10 rather than to have to go to other steps in the
11 emergency plan, like rolling blackouts or that
12 kind of thing. The other would be simply to
13 avoid the need to purchase expensive market
14 power.

15 Q. Any other benefits to AEP?

16 A. I guess obviously the fourth one
17 would be to us to comply with Senate Bill's 221
18 peak demand reduction goals. So other than
19 that, I think that's everything I can think of
20 at this time.

21 Q. Continuing on page 5, lines 17 and
22 18, you state "The Companies' interruptible
23 service offerings allow the Companies to reduce
24 their loads when conditions on the system or

1 conditions in the market dictate." First of
2 all, when you say system, what system are you
3 describing?

4 A. I think primarily the AEP system,
5 but I think equally the PJM system and because
6 everything is related, you know, system
7 conditions to a certain extent even on the
8 entire eastern air connect.

9 Q. What are some, just give me some
10 examples of conditions that would cause
11 interruptible service offerings to take effect.

12 MR. CONWAY: Could you repeat that
13 question?

14 (Question read.)

15 MR. CONWAY: Are you talking
16 conditions on the system or conditions in the
17 market?

18 MR. SETTINERI: Conditions on the
19 system first.

20 MR. CONWAY: Okay.

21 MR. SETTINERI: Thank you.

22 A. I think the primary one that comes
23 to mind is the declaration of an emergency.
24 There could be, I guess, other conditions where

1 an emergency has not been declared, but there
2 could be a localized issue as far as system
3 integrity. I think those are the kinds of
4 conditions where that would be referenced.
5 There may be other examples but they fail to
6 come to mind.

7 Q. That's fine. One thing I wanted to
8 jump to real quick, are you familiar with the
9 Black-Scholes Model that I believe it was
10 Mr. Baker mentioned in his testimony?

11 A. I have seen it in Mr. Baker's
12 testimony. I have a lot of years ago learned a
13 little bit about it in a classroom environment
14 but I've never done anything with it myself, so.

15 Q. What I'm curious about is actually
16 whether -- I assume the Black-Scholes Model is
17 running on software. Do you know that?

18 A. I don't know that. I do not know.

19 Q. Are you familiar with the existing
20 PJM demand response programs?

21 A. Yes. I have a certain level of
22 familiarity. I wouldn't consider myself an
23 expert on it, because it's pretty complicated.

24 Q. Can you provide me with your

1 familiarity on that?

2 A. The existing PJM demand response
3 programs include an emergency program, an
4 economic program, it's a synchronized reserve
5 program, and I think it's a regulation program;
6 and some of those programs tend to interweave.

7 Q. Any other information you can
8 provide me on your familiarity with these
9 programs?

10 A. The emergency program consists of, I
11 think there's three sub-categories within that:
12 a full emergency program, a capacity emergency
13 program or capacity holding emergency program,
14 and an energy holding emergency program.

15 The economic program has, I
16 believe, also three sub-categories: a day-ahead
17 program, basically a realtime program, and a
18 realtime dispatchable program.

19 Q. Are you familiar with any of the
20 payment structures to customers that participate
21 in those programs?

22 A. Somewhat; somewhat. In the capacity
23 program -- I'm sorry, in the emergency program,
24 if you're in the emergency full or emergency

1 capacity only program, there's compensation
2 based on the RPM clearing price.

3 For the economic programs, and I may
4 have mistakingly called them energy programs
5 previously, for the economic programs the
6 payments are generally tied to either day ahead
7 or realtime LMP. I believe that's generally the
8 case with the emergency energy only program as
9 well; but then there's some make-whole type
10 provisions for shut-down costs and that's where
11 I start to get lost in the detail.

12 Q. I appreciate going through that. In
13 regards to the actual dollar amounts that
14 customers can receive in that program, are you
15 familiar with that?

16 A. I guess in which program, or are you
17 asking about all of them?

18 Q. In general, any of them. Let's
19 start, are you aware of any of the amounts that
20 customers can receive in that program whether it
21 be --

22 A. In the emergency capacity related
23 program or emergency full program, I believe the
24 compensation is for the 2008-2009 PJM planning

1 years somewhere around \$113 a megawatt day,
2 somewhere in that range.

3 For the energy programs those are
4 tied to LMP, which varies all over the place.

5 Q. Have you done any studies or
6 anything comparing the AEP interruptible service
7 offerings to the PJM demand response offerings?

8 A. I'm not aware of any quantitative
9 studies. Qualitatively, I looked at their
10 programs and our programs, enough to be as
11 familiar as I was earlier, but not ever really
12 done a side-by-side comparison.

13 Q. Do you have an opinion as to which
14 program is more beneficial to a customer?

15 A. I would say it depends. Putting
16 myself in the customer's shoes, I would view the
17 PJM emergency full or emergency capacity
18 programs as very attractive. I think I'd also
19 view the existing economic realtime program very
20 attractive from the standpoint, both of those
21 from the standpoint of the participating
22 customer. From the standpoint of all other
23 customers, I would have issues with both of
24 those programs because how it's written because

1 in my view it's really one hand in the other;
2 you know, the participating customers get
3 payments from PJM or through their third party,
4 but PJM is a non-profit entity so it has to get
5 the money from somewhere else. So that's kind
6 of where I'm coming from.

7 Q. Where does that money come from?
8 And I say that -- let me clarify. You stated
9 you're concerned with where that money is coming
10 from, I assume, to pay customers participating
11 in the PJM.

12 A. Sure.

13 Q. So where is that money coming from?

14 A. There's kind of two layers to that
15 question, and so the first layer for the
16 capacity program as it exists today, payments
17 come from the RPM market clearing which means
18 that it comes from all of the load serving
19 entities who have to buy their capacity in the
20 RPM market.

21 Q. May I interrupt briefly?

22 A. Uh-huh.

23 Q. The RPM market clearing house, is
24 that solely within the AEP zone or the whole PJM

1 interconnection?

2 A. We're getting a little far afield
3 from my knowledge, but I believe it's carved up
4 into three, at least three separate locations;
5 kind of two that are related to some eastern
6 areas and one that's kind of the rest of the
7 market kind of thing which would include AEP.

8 Q. And I'm sorry to interrupt.

9 A. And let me be clear, there's not a
10 clearing house. I think it's just the RPM
11 clearing market. So that's kind of the first
12 layer on the capacity program.

13 The second tier of that layer is
14 that PJM -- or AEP as an FRR entity within PJM
15 still has to plan capacity as if participating
16 customers are firm load. So there would be a
17 second tier cost of AEP continuing to plan and
18 build capacity that would be paid for by all
19 Ohio customers. That's on the capacity program.

20 On the energy program or economic
21 program, and I apologize, I'm using those
22 interchangeably a bit, the payments generally, I
23 believe, come from the load serving entity which
24 in this case, if it's not a shopping customer,

1 would be AEP Ohio.

2 Q. And just to clarify, FRR is fixed
3 resource requirement entities?

4 A. Yes, that's correct.

5 Q. Going back to my question, I think
6 it was where is the money coming from for these
7 payments to these people participating, or
8 entities participating in the PJM demand
9 offerings? I want to make sure I have this
10 right. First of all, you're saying that money
11 is coming through the RPM --

12 A. Market.

13 Q. Okay. And taking that a step
14 further then, where is that money coming from
15 that's entering the market?

16 A. From all of the load serving
17 entities to have to procure their capacity in
18 the market.

19 Q. And another step, those load serving
20 entities where would they be located?

21 A. I believe we had that before, but it
22 would be the load serving entities that are in
23 the, quote, rest of PJM or the rest of PJM zone
24 for capacity purposes.

1 Q. And what I'm trying to understand is
2 would it include states outside of Ohio? Would
3 that zone expand outside of Ohio? Would those
4 load serving entities be outside of Ohio, and
5 outside of the AEP service zone?

6 A. Yes. And similarly, customers
7 outside of Ohio, their costs would also be part
8 of that as well.

9 Q. So customers outside of Ohio would
10 be able to receive payments, and those load
11 serving entities outside of Ohio would be paying
12 into the market?

13 A. Yes. I guess both inside and
14 outside of Ohio, yes.

15 Q. Okay. Thank you. Then you
16 mentioned a second tier which goes back to, if
17 you could, is that money coming in to pay these
18 customers, the customers participating in the
19 PJM program?

20 A. It's not money transacting between
21 PJM and the customer. It's kind of a byproduct
22 of this current structure of the PJM capacity
23 market, and that customers within it served by
24 an FRR are effectively selling capacity into RPM.

1 Q. And that's something I wanted to ask
2 about. Page 7 of your testimony, lines 3 to 5,
3 you state there that "AEP Ohio believes that it
4 is not appropriate for customers receiving
5 service at regulated, standard service offer
6 rates to resell utility power at market-based
7 rates through the PJM program." What do you
8 mean by resell power?

9 A. My understanding from looking back
10 at FERC orders which approve the implementation
11 of the PJM programs was that they, that FERC
12 relied upon identifying these types of programs
13 as true transactions.

14 The first being a sale from the LSE
15 or the local utility to the customer which was a
16 retail transaction not subject to the
17 jurisdiction of the FERC; and the second
18 transaction being a wholesale sale of that power
19 to PJM. And FERC indicated that they would
20 clearly assert jurisdiction over that wholesale
21 sale.

22 Q. So I'm just trying to understand
23 this. So if I'm a customer, a standard service
24 offer customer and I curtail through the PJM

1 demand response program, am I taking energy from
2 AEP at that point in time, meaning, the load
3 that I dropped or the energy that I dropped, am
4 I taking any power at that point?

5 A. The way FERC views it is that your
6 curtailment was effectively taking the power and
7 then reselling it by reducing your load is my
8 understanding of the way FERC views it.

9 Q. And I'm trying to understand. So
10 technically there is no power being taken by the
11 customer. It is not going through the meter; is
12 that correct?

13 A. Physically, the power is not flowing
14 through to the customer. It is effectively
15 being redirected.

16 Q. And how is it being redirected?

17 A. In that by the customer curtailing
18 the power, it's being redirected elsewhere on
19 the system so the flow of power would go who
20 knows where.

21 Q. Any other basis for that, for your
22 belief in your testimony that it's a resale of
23 power?

24 A. No. I think the FERC orders were

1 kind of the foundation for me, and then that,
2 you know, combined with just the underlying
3 logic of that.

4 Q. And help me understand more. You
5 mention that that power will just go in the grid
6 and go somewhere, but does AEP, and I say AEP
7 operating companies, have the ability to, as a
8 fixed resource requirement, to put that into the
9 PJM market?

10 A. I think we might be jumbling topics;
11 the fixed resource requirement related to
12 capacity, and the content we were talking about
13 there is energy.

14 Q. Flip to capacity. As a fixed
15 resource requirement, explain to me how AEP can
16 make a capacity sale in the PJM market as a
17 fixed resource requirement?

18 A. And this gets a little out of my
19 expertise so I can only give you a little -- my
20 dumb layman's explanation. AEP has to first
21 demonstrate that it has adequate capacity to
22 meet its load needs plus reserve margin, and
23 then to the extent that AEP has additional
24 capacity, up to a limit of, I believe it's 1300

1 megawatts, AEP can sell that additional capacity
2 into the PJM RPM market.

3 Q. Okay. Is that happening today, do
4 you know?

5 A. It may be. I don't know for
6 certain.

7 Q. Who would have information on those
8 sales?

9 A. I'm not sure who specifically would
10 know.

11 Q. If that limit wasn't in place, how
12 would that affect your concern about reselling
13 utility power?

14 MR. CONWAY: What limit are you
15 referring to?

16 Q. The 1300 megawatt limit on an FRR.

17 A. It wouldn't impact my view one iota.

18 Q. If you can, can you help me
19 understand, again going back to the flow of
20 revenue or money, if there is an FRR, you make a
21 sale of capacity in the PJM market, where does
22 that revenue flow to?

23 A. Those sales would be shared among
24 all the generation-owning AEP operating

1 companies.

2 Q. Would that be -- in going another
3 step, would that then result to the
4 shareholders?

5 A. No. Those types of sales are
6 treated a number of different ways depending
7 upon their regulatory structure in a given
8 state. In some states there is a sharing, in
9 some states it all flows through the
10 ratepayers. It varies.

11 Q. How does it set up in Ohio?

12 A. In Ohio, that's really difficult to
13 say. Under the Companies' proposed ESP, I
14 believe it would accrue to shareholders but I'm
15 not 100 percent certain.

16 Q. Who would know that?

17 A. Probably Mr. Baker.

18 Q. And you mentioned that that revenue
19 flows out of PJM and is shared with the AEP
20 operating companies. Do you recall just saying
21 that?

22 A. Yes. If a capacity sale was made,
23 it's shared among the generating companies of
24 AEP.

1 Q. How is it shared? What's the
2 mechanism to do that or the form to do that?

3 A. I believe it's member load ratio.

4 Q. I want to back up real quick to page
5 6, lines 19 to 22 and, actually, you state
6 "However, a unique aspect of the PJM programs is
7 that unregulated entities known in PJM as
8 curtailment service providers can solicit retail
9 customers directly and enroll them in the
10 wholesale PJM program." You say "Even further
11 complicating matters"; stopping there, that
12 implies you believe there's some complication
13 with the current curtailment service providers.
14 Can you explain to me any concerns you have or
15 complications that you believe exist because of
16 that?

17 A. I believe the primary complication
18 that I believe exists is really a jurisdictional
19 one of whether the state does or does not
20 regulate interruptible service offerings to
21 retail customers.

22 Q. And what kind of complication does
23 that create?

24 A. Any number of them; from the main

1 one that I can think of at this time is that
2 previously the issue of what is appropriate
3 compensation for interruptible customers has
4 been one that has always been a topic of debate
5 in regulatory proceedings within the state. And
6 with the construct as it is right now, as we
7 discussed with customers either directly if
8 they're a PJM member enrolling in these programs
9 or going through third-party entities to
10 participate in the programs, that you've taken
11 something that was previously something which
12 state regulators took a great interest in and
13 have basically taken them out of the equation,
14 for lack of a better word.

15 Q. And to clarify what you're saying,
16 are you saying then there's more an issue of
17 regulation and lack of control by the state over
18 these programs through the PJM? Is that what is
19 complicating?

20 A. I think there's the regulatory
21 issue, and then there's kind of the issue we
22 were discussing previously about where does the
23 money come from. If ultimately, and this is
24 where it can get conflicted in my mind, what

1 customers get paid to curtail is taken out of
2 the purview of the state regulator, but at the
3 same token the costs to pay for that, to pay
4 those customers is ultimately a cost that those
5 state regulators are going to be asked to pay
6 for, then I see a conflict there.

7 Q. Any other complications that you
8 believe existed in regard to the curtailment
9 service providers?

10 A. Not really. I think that gets
11 pretty much to the core of it.

12 Q. Going to page 7, lines 20 to 23,
13 you state that "AEP Ohio believes its existing
14 Terms and Conditions of Service address the
15 inappropriateness of customer participation."
16 Can you explain to me how do the existing Terms
17 and Conditions of Service address what you
18 believe to be inappropriateness of customer
19 participation?

20 A. Existing Terms and Conditions of
21 Service, and service ties back to an issue we
22 talked about previously, do not allow the resale
23 of electricity and so based upon the construct
24 of first approval of the PJM programs as a

1 resale of utility power, those two dots
2 connected.

3 Q. And then why the clarification?

4 A. Because in my mind not everybody is
5 as familiar with those FERC orders, particularly
6 customers are not as familiar with those FERC
7 orders, so it was proven to clarify.

8 Q. And just can you point to the Terms
9 and Conditions, can you show me where that
10 exists?

11 A. For Columbus Southern Power?

12 Q. Yes.

13 A. It's on original sheet No. 3-4.

14 Q. Is that the only clarification that
15 was made?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Okay. Was a similar clarification
18 made for Ohio Power?

19 A. Yes, it was. That's on sheet 3-12
20 for Ohio Power Company.

21 Q. And again, these are the only two
22 spots where this clarification was inserted?

23 A. Let me just double check, but I
24 believe that to be true. Yes, that's correct.

1 Q. Thank you for checking. A few
2 general questions. Have you considered the
3 effect on Ohio customers participating in the
4 PJM program, when I say effect I mean the
5 economic effect, if this prohibition is put in
6 place that we just noted in Terms and
7 Conditions?

8 A. I've not done any calculation. I
9 think there's a potential opportunity for them
10 to utilize the expanded availability of the
11 Companies' IRP-D that may not have been
12 available to them previously.

13 Q. That's for Ohio Power?

14 A. For Ohio Power.

15 Q. Any studies done?

16 A. No.

17 Q. Any discussion done?

18 A. I do not recall any.

19 Q. Just help me understand here. If
20 the prohibition goes into place and a company in
21 Pennsylvania participates in the PJM demand
22 response program, we talked about the money, the
23 payments that that customer received would be
24 coming from the load service entities in the PJM

1 market.

2 A. Are you referencing the capacity
3 program or the energy program?

4 Q. The energy program. So would there
5 be payments from AEP coming into that market,
6 then going out to that customer in Pennsylvania,
7 not directly but indirectly?

8 A. Maybe we need to clarify. For the
9 energy program it's the LSE that's serving the
10 customer that makes the payment.

11 Q. Let me switch that to the capacity.

12 A. For the capacity program it's the
13 LSEs that are buying their capacity in the RPM
14 market which pay, and since AEP is an FRR
15 entity, it would not pay.

16 Q. Okay. Going to page 6, lines 1 to 4
17 of your testimony, you state that "In other
18 words, the Companies should be able to count the
19 load that is capable of being reduced towards
20 peak reduction goals." What do you mean by
21 capable?

22 A. In my view, capable there means a
23 customer which the Company is able to request
24 that they curtail load, even if they had not

1 requested that that customer curtail load at
2 that given hour.

3 Q. Okay. Do you believe that the
4 customer participation in the Companies'
5 interruptible service offerings will increase if
6 the PJM prohibition is put in place or is
7 approved?

8 A. I think it could, but I think that's
9 probably also in combination with, for Ohio
10 Power particularly, the expansion of the
11 availability.

12 Q. Could it decrease as well?

13 A. It's possible it could decrease,
14 given the economic environment, as well. A lot
15 of interruptible customers who choose
16 interruptible service are choosing it not
17 necessarily because they really want to
18 interrupt, because they really want to make
19 their product, but they are choosing it to save
20 on their cost of electricity. And so it's
21 possible in this economic environment that some
22 of those customers may no longer choose to be
23 interruptible.

24 Q. And you mentioned economics tied

1 with that. A company in Pennsylvania and a
2 company in Ohio, let's say Pennsylvania allows
3 PJM participation. Ohio's application is
4 approved. If the company in Ohio cannot
5 participate, which one would have an economic
6 advantage, competitive advantage over the other
7 company?

8 A. It depends. For example, Kentucky
9 currently doesn't allow customers to participate
10 in PJM programs, but they do allow Kentucky
11 Power to offer interruptible service to
12 customers.

13 Q. If you have a state that allows
14 participation and a state that doesn't, and you
15 have two companies, everything is comparable but
16 the only difference is one can participate and
17 one cannot, does the company that is able to
18 participate have a competitive advantage?

19 MR. CONWAY: Objection. He's
20 already explained that they're not comparable,
21 that the assumption is one that can't be made
22 readily.

23 MR. SETTINERI: He compared it to
24 Kentucky though, so I think he can answer it.

1 A. I guess I go back to the previous
2 answer in that I don't perceive the availability
3 of PJM programs as a competitive advantage or
4 disadvantage, particularly when there are other
5 interruptible service offerings available in the
6 state.

7 MR. SETTINERI: Thank you,
8 Mr. Roush. I have no further questions for you.

9 MS. GRADY: Thank you very much.

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11 Thereupon, at 4:35 p.m. the
12 deposition was concluded.

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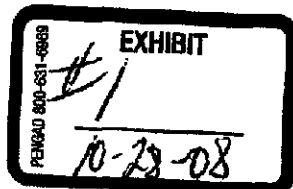
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