## BEFORE

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
American Transmission Systems, Incorporated	)	
for Authority to Issue, Renew or	)	Case No. 09- <u>984</u> EL-AIS
Assume Liability on Notes and	)	
Other Evidences of Indebtedness	)	
Pursuant to O.R.C. §4905.401	)	

Applicant, American Transmission Systems, Incorporated (the "Company") respectfully represents:

- 1. The Company is an Ohio corporation engaged in the business of providing transmission service to transmission customers in Ohio and Pennsylvania under rates and tariffs approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
- O.R.C. §4905.401(A) provides an exception which permits the Company, without action by this Commission, to issue, renew or assume liability on notes and other evidences of indebtedness maturing not more than twelve months after the date of such issuance, renewal or assumption of liability (collectively, "Short-Term Notes") of not more than 5% of the par value of the other outstanding stocks, bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness of the Company (the "Statutory Exemption Limit"). The Statutory Exemption Limit for the Company at June 30, 2009 is \$25,733,900.00. During the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009 (the "2009 Fiscal Year"), this Commission, in its Finding and Order in Case No. 08-1264-EL-AIS, et al., authorized the Company to have short-term notes outstanding including the Statutory Exemption Limit, in aggregate principal amount of not more than \$50,000,000. During the period January 1, 2010 through

- December 31, 2010 (the "2010 Fiscal Year"), the Company estimates that it may need to exceed the Statutory Exemption Limit.
- 3. Pursuant to the provisions of O.R.C. §4905.401, the Company requests the Commission to permit the Company to have Short-Term Notes outstanding at any one time during the 2010 Fiscal Year in an aggregate principal amount of not more than \$50,000,000 (the "Authorized Principal") (such Authorized Principal to include the Statutory Exemption Limit).
- 4. The Company further requests that the Commission approve that the Authorized Principal, or any part thereof issued, renewed or assumed or to be issued, renewed or assumed, be in addition to any long-term financing that the Company may require during the 2010 Fiscal Year and which this Commission may approve pursuant to O.R.C. §4905.40.
- 5. The Company respectfully represents that the issuance and renewal of, or assumption of liability on, Short-Term Notes from time to time, and the money to be procured therefrom, are reasonably required and necessary for the Company's lawful capital purposes. Such Short-Term Notes may be issued to provide funds for regulated utility purposes including: current maturities of existing obligations, retirement of securities through open market purchases, redemption of securities through applicable redemption provisions, loans to the Money Pool (as defined in Paragraph 6 below), working capital and for general corporate purposes. Prior to their use, such funds may be invested in highly liquid short-term investments. Pursuant to O.R.C. §4905.41, the Company incorporates herein by reference the following exhibits:

- a. "Exhibit A," Balance Sheet including Statement of Capitalization as of June 30, 2009, and
- b. "Exhibit B," Statement of Income for the Twelve Months Ended
  June 30, 2009.
- Previously this Commission, in its Finding and Order in Case No. 08-1264-EL-6. AIS, et al., approved a utility money pool contract (the "Money Pool") in order to establish an intra-system financing arrangement, by and among the Company, Ohio Edison Company ("OE"), OE's wholly-owned subsidiary, Pennsylvania Power Company ("Penn Power"), The Toledo Edison Company ("TE"), The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company ("CEI"), FirstEnergy Corp., , FirstEnergy Service Company (as servicer), Jersey Central Power & Light Company, Pennsylvania Electric Company, Metropolitan Edison Company, York Haven Power Company and Waverly Electric Power & Light Company (each a "Participating Company", collectively called the "Participating Companies"), and the issuance and acquisition of Short-Term Notes of Participating Companies in connection therewith, through December 31, 2009. The Company hereby requests that the Commission's approval of the Money Pool be extended through December 31, 2010 and that the Authorized Principal shall include Short-Term Notes of the Company outstanding under the Money Pool by the Company.
- 7. The Participating Companies may contribute funds to the Money Pool from the following sources: (a) surplus funds from Participating Companies ("Internal Funds"), and (b) proceeds from bank borrowings or the sales of commercial paper by the Participating Companies for loan to the Money Pool ("External Funds").

- 8. The Commission, in its Finding and Order in Case No. 08-1264-EL-AIS, et al., authorized the Company, through December 31, 2009, to have short-term notes outstanding including the Statutory Exemption, in the aggregate principal amount of not more than \$50,000,000 at any one time and to participate in the Money Pool. During the 2010 Fiscal Year, the Company estimates that it may need to exceed the Statutory Exemption Limit. Thus, the Company hereby requests the Commission to permit the Company to have short-term notes outstanding including the Statutory Exemption, in the aggregate principal amount of not more than \$50,000,000 at any one time and to participate in the Money Pool by providing Internal or External Funds to Participating Companies through the Money Pool.
- 9. The Company hereby agrees that the aggregate amount it loans to the Money Pool when aggregated with the amounts loaned by OE, CEI and TE will not exceed the amount of \$700,000,000 outstanding to the Participating Companies (other than the Company, OE, CEI, and TE) at any one time.
- 10. The Company further agrees any loans to Participating Companies (other than OE, CEI and TE) made through the Money Pool shall be made only to those Participating Companies that have investment grade or higher credit ratings on their senior secured debt from at least one nationally recognized rating agency, or in the absence of such rating, investment grade or higher credit ratings on their corporate credit rating. The Company agrees to continue to report the details of its participation in the Money Pool on a quarterly basis to the Director of the Utilities Department of the Commission.

11. WHEREFORE, the Company prays

(1) That this Commission approve the extension of the Company's

participation in the Money Pool through December 31, 2010 and that the Authorized

Principal shall include Short-Term Notes of the Company outstanding under the Money

Pool by the Company;

(2) That this Commission authorize the Company, during the 2010

Fiscal Year, to issue, renew or assume liability on Short-Term Notes, as requested in this

Application, provided however, that the aggregate Short-Term Notes do not exceed

\$50,000,000 outstanding at any one time, and provided further that such amount is

exclusive of any long-term financing the Company may incur during said period with this

Commission's approval;

(3) That this Commission authorize the Company, during the 2010

Fiscal Year, to provide Internal or External Funds to the Money Pool, as requested in this

Application, provided however, that the aggregate amount loaned to the Money Pool by

the Company, OE, CEI and TE to the Participating Companies (other than the Company,

OE, CEI and TE) does not exceed \$700,000,000 outstanding at any one time; and,

(4) That due to the time sensitive nature of this request, that this

Commission issue such Order on or before December 2, 2009.

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Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Assistant Treasurer

STATE OF OHIO ) ss.: SUMMIT COUNTY )

Mark T. Clark and Randy Scilla, depose and say that they are respectively, the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, and Assistant Treasurer, of American Transmission Systems, Incorporated, Applicant in the above matter, and that they have read and are fully acquainted and familiar with the contents of the foregoing Application and that the statements therein are true as they verily believe.

Mark T. Clark

Randy Scilla

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of October, 2009

Notary Public, State of Ohio Resident of Summit County My Commission Expires Ebony L. Miller

Attorney for Applicant

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