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Ms. Renee J Jenkins Secretary of the Commission Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus Ohio 43215-3793

Re:

Case Nos. 09-987-EL-EEC and 09-

988-EL-EEC

Dear Ms. Jenkins:

On October 26, 2009, Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company (collectively, "AEP Ohio") filed an application to initiate these cases. On December 3, 2009, Staff sent AEP Ohio a data request and asked that the responses be docketed. Enclosed are AEP Ohio's responses to Staff's data request.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Cordially,

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RESPONSES OF COLUMBUS SOUTHERN POWER COMPANY AND OHIO POWER COMPANY TO STAFF'S QUESTIONS (CASE NOS. 09-987-EL-EEC AND 09-988-EL-EEC)

(1) With its filing in Case Nos. 09-987-EL-EEC and 09-988-EL-EEC, is the Company seeking a force majeure determination on the entirety of the 2009 Columbus Southern Power and Ohio Power solar requirements or a portion of the requirements?

ANSWER: Per Paragraph 12 of the application, the Companies are seeking to be excused in 2009 from the portion not satisfied by RECs generated by the Companies' solar generation facilities and the 13 Solar RECs purchased on the open market. This excusal for 2009 would be deferred and accumulated to 2010, per Paragraph 13 of the application.

If a portion as implied by paragraph 12 on page 5 of the company filing:

(a) What quantity specifically is being sought for Columbus Southern?

ANSWER: CSP's 2009 solar REC requirement is calculated to be 798 Solar RECs. The requested excusal/deferral for CSP in 2009 is 798 less the Solar RECs associated with the actual output from CSP's Athens solar facility during 2009 (currently projected to be 61 Solar RECs), which would presently yield a 737 Solar REC requirement being deferred.

(b) What quantity specifically is being sought for Ohio Power?

ANSWER: OP's 2009 solar REC requirement is calculated to be 1,028 Solar RECs. The requested excusal/deferral for OP in 2009 is 1028 less the Solar RECs associated with the actual output from OP's Newark solar facility during 2009 (currently projected to be 82 Solar RECs) and less the 13 Solar RECs OP purchased on the open market, which would presently yield a 933 Solar REC requirement being deferred.

(c) Do the calculated quantities in (a) and (b) incorporate estimated solar generation and/or solar REC acquisition between now and the end of the 2009 calendar year?

ANSWER: Yes

(d) If (c) incorporates estimates, would there be a subsequent reconciliation in 2010 to reflect any actual deviation from predicted volumes?

ANSWER: Yes

(2) Is the Company also proposing to adjust the 2010 cost cap consideration in light of its request to defer certain portions of the 2009 solar requirements to 2010?

ANSWER: The Companies agree that the 2010 cost cap could be increased in proportion to the relative number of Solar RECs being deferred.

(3) Given the November 12, 2009, Entry in Case No. 08-888-EL-ORD, would it now be more appropriate for these cases to be filed with an "ACP" purpose code as opposed to an "EEC" purpose code?

ANSWER: If the application was filed after November 12, 2009, the Companies agree that it would have been filed using the ACP case purpose code. If Staff believes it is appropriate or helpful for the Companies to modify the case purpose code at this point in the proceeding, the Companies are willing to make a filing that would change the case purpose code.

(4) Please provide a copy of the July 2009 RFP referenced on page 4 of the company filing.

ANSWER: The complete RFP can be found at the following website: https://www.aepohio.com/b2b/rfp/2009solarrfp/

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