



## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO 2011 MAR 14 PM 4:42

In the Matter of the Application of	)
Columbus Southern Power Company and	)
Ohio Power Company for Authority to	)
Establish a Standard Service Offer	)
Pursuant to §4928.143, Ohio Rev. Code,	)
In the Form of an Electric Security Plan.	)
In the Matter of the Application of	)
Columbus Southern Power Company and	)
Ohio Power Company for Approval of	)
Certain Accounting Authority.	)

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Case No. 11-346-EL-SSO Case No. 11-348-EL-SSO

Case No. 11-349-EL-AAM Case No. 11-350-EL-AAM

### MOTION TO INTERVENE BY THE PJM POWER PROVIDERS GROUP

The PJM Power Providers Group ("P3") moves the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

("Commission") to intervene, as a full party of record, in the above-captioned proceedings,

pursuant to Section 4903.221 of the Revised Code and Rule 4901-1-11 of the Ohio

Administrative Code, as further explained in the attached Memorandum in Support.

WHEREFORE, P3 respectfully moves that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio grant

its motion to intervene as a full party of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION TO INTERVENE OF THE PJM POWER PROVIDERS GROUP

#### I. MOTION TO INTERVENE

P3 is a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing federal, state and regional policies that promote properly designed and well-functioning electricity markets in the PJM region. Combined, P3's twelve member companies own over 80,000 megawatts of power and over 51,000 miles of transmission lines in the PJM region, serve nearly 12.2 million customers and employ over 55,000 people in the 13-state and District of Columbia PJM region.<sup>1</sup>

On January 27, 2011, Columbus Southern Power Company ("CSP") and Ohio Power Company ("OPCo") (jointly AEP-Ohio) filed an application for a standard service offer ("SSO") pursuant to Section 4928.141, Revised Code. More specifically, this application proposes an electric security plan ("ESP"), to be in effect for the term of January 1, 2012 through May 31, 2014, in accordance with Section 4928.143, Revised Code. The application has been developed and submitted as a single-company filing, given AEP Ohio's proposed merger of CSP and OPCo, currently pending before this Commission in Case No. 10-2376-EL-UNC.

On February 9, 2011, the Commission set forth a procedural schedule for this proceeding, requiring, in part, that motions to intervene should be filed by March 14, 2011.

4903.221(B) of the Revised Code, sets forth the four criteria that the Commission must consider in ruling on applications to intervene, as follows:

(1) The nature and extent of the prospective intervenor's interest;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The content of this memorandum in support represents the position of P3 as an organization, but not necessarily the views of any particular member with respect to any issue. For more information on P3, please visit <u>www.p3powergroup.com</u>.

- (2) The legal position advanced by the prospective intervenor and its probable relation to the merits of the case;
- (3) Whether the intervention by the prospective intervenor will unduly prolong or delay the proceedings;
- (4) Whether the prospective intervenor will significantly contribute to full development and equitable resolution of the factual issues.

In addition, the Commission has ruled, in part, that it will allow intervention by a person who has a "real and substantial interest in the proceeding" and who "is so situated that the disposition of the proceeding may . . . impair or impede (its) ability to protect that interest, unless the person's interest is adequately represented by existing parties." O.A.C. 4901-1-11.

P3 is uniquely situated, in that its interests cannot be adequately and properly represented by any other party, including existing parities. P3's intervention and participation will promote the public interest in viable and competitive wholesale markets, and will not unduly delay this proceeding or prejudice any existing party. As such, P3 and its twelve member companies have a unique interest in this proceeding that cannot be represented by additional or existing parties.

#### II. REQUESTED RELIEF

P3 respectfully submits that it meets the criteria set forth in Section 4903.221, Revised Code and Rule 4901-1-11 of the Ohio Administrative Code for intervention, and more specifically, has shown good cause why its intervention should be granted. The Commission should therefore grant P3's motion to intervene. For purposes of receiving service in the proceeding, in addition to the undersigned, P3 requests that the following individuals be placed on the official service list:

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing documents was served this  $14^{\circ}$  day of March, 2011 by regular U.S. mail, postage prepaid, or by electronic mail, upon the persons listed below.

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