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November 17, 2011

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215
Attn: Chairman Snitchler

RE: Docket No. 11-0346-EL-SSO

Dear Chairman Snitchler:

Please allow me to add my support to the growing number of communities, organizations and individuals speaking out in favor of the AEP Ohio ESP Settlement Plan.

It is my understanding that AEP Ohio's settlement agreement does not cap shopping or the ability for customers to shop for a competitive retail electricity supplier, either through community aggregation or directly with a competitive retail electric supply (CRES) provider. The capability to shop has existed long before AEP introduced this Electric Security Plan (ESP) and is enhanced through the settlement.

AEP Ohio has been a strong community partner and works with the Simon Kenton Council, Boy Scouts of America to help provide a better quality of life to local residents. In addition to being a financial supporter, AEP provides volunteer leadership at every level of our organization and across our 18-county territory. We look forward to continuing our community focused efforts with AEP Ohio through their partnership that has been critical to our organization and the communities we serve as we build tomorrow's leaders.

The AEP Ohio's settlement agreement is a compromise that provides clarity and direction for the company and its customers, while providing much needed certainty around critical public policy. Overall, it is a plan that enhances retail shopping, promotes economic development, asset investment and an orderly transition to fully market-based generation rates.

Thank you for adding these sentiments to the docket.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey R. Moe
Scout Executive/CEO

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