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11-346-EL-SSO, 11-348-EL-SSO 11-349-EL-AAM, 11-350-EL-AAM 10-343-EL-ATA, 10-344-EL-ATA

10-2929-EL-UNC

11-4920-EL-RDR, 11-4921-EL-RDR

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please find attached the OHIO ENERGY GROUP'S ANSWER IN SUPPORT OF OHIO POWER COMPANY'S MOTION AND REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED RULING for filing in the above-referenced matters.

Copies have been served on all parties on the attached certificate of service. Please place this document of file.

Respectfully yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Ohio Power Company and Columbus Southern Power Company for Authority to Merge and Related Approvals.	: Case No. 10-2376-EL-UNC:
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.	: Case No. 11-346-EL-SSO : Case No. 11-348-EL-SSO :
In the Matter of the Application of Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company for Approval of Certain Accounting Authority	: Case No. 11-349-EL-AAM : Case No. 11-350-EL-AAM :
In the Matter of the Application of Columbus Southern Power Company to Amend its Emergency Curtailment Service Riders	: Case No. 10-343-EL-ATA
In the Matter of the Application of Ohio Power Company to Amend its Emergency Curtailment Service Riders	: Case No. 10-344-EL-ATA
In the Matter of the Commission Review of the Capacity Charges of Ohio Power Company and Columbus Southern Power Company	: : Case No. 10-2929-EL-UNC
In the Matter of the Application of Columbus Southern Power Company for Approval of a Mechanism to Recover Deferred Fuel Costs Ordered Under Ohio Revised Code 4928.144	: Case No. 11-4920-EL-RDR
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OHIO ENERGY GROUP'S ANSWER IN SUPPORT OF OHIO POWER COMPANY'S MOTION AND REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED RULING

On December 14, 2011, the Commission issued an Opinion and Order in the above-captioned cases (Opinion and Older), modifying and adopting the September 7, 2011 Stipulation and Recommendation.

On December 29, 2011, AEP Ohio filed a Revised Detailed Implementation Plan (Revised DIP)

implementing the Opinion and Order. The Commission issued a Compliance Entry on January 23, 2012

indicating that it was interpreting and enforcing the Opinion and Order (Compliance Entry). The Compliance

Entry ordered AEP Ohio to revise the December 29, 2011 DIP and file it in its tariffs.

On January 25, 2012, AEP Ohio filed a motion requesting clarification that filing of the new version of

the Revised DIP be deferred until after the Commission issues its Order on rehearing in the ESP case. AEP Ohio

argues that the Compliance Entry adopts new and different interpretations of the Opinion and Order that have a

material and adverse impact on it. AEP Ohio reasons that because it plans to file an application for rehearing

concerning the Compliance Entry's interpretations and because related issues were already raised in the January

13, 2012 applications for rehearing pending in the ESP dockets, filing a new Revised DIP would be

administratively inefficient and could increase the market uncertainty on consumers that already exists.

The Ohio Energy Group (OEG) supports AEP Ohio's Motion. Instead of handling these important issues

piecemeal through both the Revised DIP compliance filing and the ESP rehearing process, the Commission

should provide a clear and final resolution when it rules on the various ESP rehearing petitions. A great deal of

customer uncertainty already exists regarding what rates they will pay in 2012 if they do not shop, and what

capacity price they will be charged if they do shop. At this stage of a very important and contentious process,

certainty is more important than speed.

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