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The Honorable Chairman John Wellinghoff Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street NE, Room 11H-26 Washington, DC 20426

Docket No. ER12-1177-000

Dear Chairman Wellinghoff:

On March 21, 2012, American Municipal Power, Inc. (AMP) filed a Motion to Intervene, Comments and Request for a Technical Conference in Docket No. ER12-1177-000. I am writing to respectfully request your favorable consideration of their filing.

AMP outlines concerns in their Motion regarding their experiences with the PJM interconnection process for a substantial generation facility in Ohio that I believe warrants further review. We hear of interconnection queue problems often, and the PJM queue process is most often the longest approval requirement of projects in our state. As part of their Motion, AMP requests for the Commission to convene a Technical Conference for the purpose of gathering and evaluating information related to the PJM procedures and administration of its interconnection queue. This would be a useful exercise.

We are facing many upcoming plant retirements and have serious concerns in the region regarding reliability and service quality. It is important to Ohio leaders that we ensure an efficient and effective permitting and approval process that facilities the consideration and development of new generating facilities in our state.

I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely. itchles A. Snitchler  $T_{\Omega C}$ Chairman

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