



TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

American Electric Power has made an impact in our community by not only employing a large number of our citizens, but also in their generosity with our local charities and organizations. We know that in these economic times it is difficult to see our gas prices, food prices, and electric prices rise, but when an entity such as AEP is willing to always give back to the community no matter what the economic times are, says a lot concerning their willingness to help others.

The Meigs Local Enrichment Foundation was established to help the surrounding area (Meigs County) become a better place to live and raise our families. AEP's contribution to the MLEF was a major factor to elevate the expectations of many people in Meigs County. The timing of the donation was pivotal to build credibility that allowed the foundation to blossom with donations totaling over \$2,000,000. The project has gone from renovating a track to a dream becoming a reality with the following improvements: new 8-lane track, multi-million-dollar football stadium, 3.5 miles of cross-country trails, turf infield baseball/softball field, energy-themed playground, shelter house, and many other activities in the near future.

The MLEF would not have been able to complete the project without the help of AEP. God has played a major role in the project and God put AEP in our path at the beginning of this journey for a reason. It was the foundation we needed to put the MLEF on track to success and the perseverance to complete the project. All in all, the Meigs Local Enrichment Foundation is writing this letter in support of the integrity of AEP and its willingness to work with communities to raise the expectations of all involved.

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Sincerely,

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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 modified Electric Security Plan (ESP).

It is my understanding that AEP Ohio's plan does not restrict the ability of customers to shop for a 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 Ohio introduced its ESP and is supported by the plan. If the goal is to establish a truly competitive marketplace, AEP Ohio will need to be able to fully compete, which is best guaranteed through a predictable and orderly transition to market.

AEP Ohio has been a strong community partner and works to help provide job growth and business retention in our community, both vital in assuring the health and vibrancy of each community they serve.

The company's recent ESP 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 Docket No. 11-346-EL-SSO.

Sincerely,

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