## BEFORE

## THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

In the Matter of the Application of	)
American Municipal Power-Ohio, Inc.,	)
for a Certificate of Environmental	) Case No. 06-1358-EL-BGN
Compatibility and Public Need for an	)
Electric Generation Station and Related	)
Facilities in Meigs County, Ohio.	)

## **ENTRY**

## The Board finds:

- (1) On May 4, 2007, American Municipal Power-Ohio, Inc. (AMP-Ohio), filed an application for a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need to construct the American Municipal Power Generating Station (AMPGS), a 960 megawatt (MW) electric generation facility, consisting of two 480 MW electric generating units in Meigs County, Ohio.
- (2) On March 3, 2008, the Board issued its Opinion, Order, and Certificate in this proceeding, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of the AMPGS. The Order provided that the certificate shall become invalid if AMP-Ohio has not commenced a continuous course of construction of the AMPGS within five years of the issuance of the certificate. Order at 39. The Board affirmed its Order by Entry on Rehearing issued April 28, 2008. By Entry issued July 13, 2009, the Board granted AMP-Ohio's motion to modify several of the conditions set forth in the March 3, 2008 Order.
- (3) On November 16, 2012, AMP-Ohio filed a motion to extend the term of the certificate authorized in the March 3, 2008 Order for a period of 18 months. AMP-Ohio represented that, due to an unexpected increase in capital costs, AMP-Ohio was exploring the possibility of conversion to a natural gas combined-cycle facility at the site, which would necessitate

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amendment of the certificate. On December 17, 2012, the Board granted the proposed extension of the term of AMP-Ohio's certificate for a period of 18 months, in order facilitate further consideration of conversion to a natural gas facility at the site.

- (4) Subsequently, on June 13, 2014, AMP-Ohio filed a motion to extend the authority granted in the March 3, 2008 Order for an additional period of 18 months, or until March 3, 2016. In support of its motion, AMP-Ohio represents that, although AMP-Ohio had purchased a different natural gas combined-cycle generation unit, its members continue to have significant needs for peaking capacity and energy and that AMP-Ohio still is considering generation options for the site. No party filed a memorandum contra the motion for an extension.
- (5) The Board finds that AMP-Ohio's motion to extend the term of the certificate is reasonable and should be granted.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That AMP-Ohio's motion to extend the term of its certificate for an additional period of 18 months to March 3, 2016, is granted. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon AMP-Ohio and all other interested persons of record.

THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

Thomas W. Johnson, Chairman Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

David Goodman, Board Member and Director of the Ohio Development Services Agency

Rick Hodges, Board Member and Director of the Ohio Department of Health

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