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Dear Chairman Johnson and PUCO Commissioners:

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce supports AEP Ohio's Power Purchase Agreement Proposal. The Chamber knows the need for good paying jobs and support of the community tax base that a successful business has on the community that it serves. AEP has been fulfilling this position for years.

AEP Ohio has listed several plants in its proposal that were originally built to serve Ohio's electrical needs and for decades have provided low-cost power to Ohio residents. It is appropriate for AEP Ohio to re-dedicate these plants to provide ongoing economic benefits to Ohio Customers for their remaining life.

This is even more important in light of several utilities in Ohio announcing the retirement of significant generation by the middle of next year. When combined with current market conditions for electricity, we will see viable, environmentally compliant plants, which could run for years to come, be forced to shut down for economic reasons. This is unacceptable and action needs to be taken not to secure our energy future in Ohio.

The Carroll County Chamber encourages the PUCO to approve AEP Ohio's Power Purchasing Agreement proposal. It is a good plan that will protect Ohio's economy and shields AEP Ohio's customers from market volatility.

Please put this letter on the docket in support of AEP Ohio's plan and as part of the record in this proceeding. Case No. 14-1693-EL-RDR and Case No 14-1694-EL-AAM

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Amy K. Rutledge".

Amy Rutledge
Executive Director
Carroll County Chamber of Commerce

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