

**Board of Commissioners** Gary L. Fischer Dane R. Shryock D. Curtis Lee

March 22, 2017

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215

**RE: AEP Conesville** 

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To Whom It may Concern:

The attached letter is to show the concern the Coshocton County Commissioners have with the possible loss of the AEP Conesville Plant. We are very concerned with the loss of revenue for local schools as well as the entire community if this plant were to close. The impairment of AEP Conesville would adversely affect the entire Coshocton County community.

Please take the time to hear our concerns. If you have any questions, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

THE BOARD OF COSHOCTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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February 22, 2017

Mr. Nicholas K. Akins **Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer** American Electric Power **1 Riverside Plaza** Columbus, Ohio 43215-2373

**RE: Sale or Closure of the AEP Conesville Generation Plant** 

Dear Mr. Akins:

The Coshocton County Commissioners understand what is happening in the world of coal generated power. With that being said, we do feel the need to express our concern about the possible loss of the AEP Conesville Generating Plant in Coshocton County should the company decide to retire it.

If this generating plant were to close, the funding loss to the County of Coshocton, River View Local Schools, Coshocton County Career Center and Franklin Township would be guite devastating. The loss to the county will really be felt in our levy funding via the Emergency Medical Services as well as the Board of Developmental Disabilities. Those two levies alone will lose close to \$600,000.00. River View Local School District stands to lose over 2.2 million dollars, Coshocton County Career Center will lose approximately 9.73% of the assessed value and Franklin Township's loss will be approximately \$167, 953.00 which is almost 52% of the assessed value.

With the above losses, Coshocton County will not only lose funding through real estate tax dollars, but in sales tax as well by the loss of jobs. The residents of Coshocton County will be substantially adversely affected as there are not many jobs that pay the hourly rate that is paid at the AEP Conesville Plant.

As we stated above, we do understand the energy market dynamics that you are addressing, but would hope that you can understand how your decisions will not only affect your company, but this community as a whole.

Should you have any questions, or require any information from us, please feel free to contact us at any time.

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