BEFORE THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD 1 2 3 In the Matter of: Case No. 06-030-EL-BGN 4 The Application of Columbus Southern Power 5 Company and Ohio Power Company for a Certificate : 6 of Environmental Compatibility and Public 7 Need for the Great Bend IGCC Project in Meigs 8 County, Ohio 9 10 PROCEEDINGS 11 before Greta See, Hearing Examiner, at the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, 12 13 Room 11-G, Columbus, Ohio, called at 10:00 a.m. on 14 Tuesday, January 30, 2007. 15 16 17 18 19 20 ARMSTRONG & OKEY, INC. 21 185 South Fifth Street, Suite 101 22 Columbus, Ohio 43215-5201 (614) 224-9481 - (800) 223-9481 Fax - (614) 224-5724 23 24

2 1 APPEARANCES: American Electric Power 2 By Mr. Steven T. Nourse 3 One Riverside Plaza Columbus, Ohio 43215-2373 4 On behalf of the Companies. 5 6 Mark Dann, Ohio Attorney General Duane W. Luckey, Senior Deputy Attorney General 7 Public Utilities Section Mr. Thomas W. McNamee 8 180 East Broad Street, 9th Floor 9 Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793 10 On behalf of the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission. 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

1 Tuesday Morning Session, 2 January 30, 2007. 3 THE HEARING EXAMINER: Scheduled for 4 5 hearing at this time and date in Case No. 06-030-EL-BGN, In the Matter of the Application of 6 7 Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company for a Certificate of Environment 8 Compatibility and Public Need for the Great Bend IGCC 9 10 Project in Meigs County, Ohio. My name is Greta See. I'm the attorney 11 assigned by the Board to this case. At this time I'd 12 13 like to take appearances of the parties. On behalf of companies. 14 Thank you, your Honor. 1.5 MR. NOURSE: 16 behalf of Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio 17 Power Company, I am Steven Nourse, senior counsel, One Riverside Plaza, Columbus, Ohio, 43215. 18 THE HEARING EXAMINER: On behalf of 19 20 staff. 21 MR. McNAMEE: On behalf of the staff of 22 Siting Board, I am the Thomas W. McNamee, assistant attorney general, and the address is 180 East Broad 23

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Street, Columbus, Ohio.

THE HEARING EXAMINER: I understand that the parties are working on negotiating a settlement of the issues in the case; is that correct?

MR. McNAMEE: We are indeed, your Honor,

working steadily and making progress.

THE HEARING EXAMINER: That's a good

7 thing.

MR. McNAMEE: It would appear to the Board staff that we're making good progress, and some additional time allotted to us would allow the company to perhaps reach a settlement of the issues in the case.

MR. NOURSE: Yes, your Honor, I agree with what Mr. McNamee said.

THE HEARING EXAMINER: Okay. Yes, given that you need additional time, if a stipulation has not been filed by the parties by March 2, I request that you provide me with a status report indicating where negotiations stand or if they have stalled. If they stall before that time, I would ask that you notify me immediately, and if the stipulation has not been filed by March 2, I will take into consideration scheduling a hearing date at that time.

If there's nothing further.

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                 MR. NOURSE: Thank you, your Honor.
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                 MR. McNAMEE: Nothing at this time.
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                 THE HEARING EXAMINER: We will adjourn
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    this hearing until further notice.
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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on Tuesday, January 30, 2007, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes.

Rosemary Foster Anderson,
Professional Reporter and
Notary Public in and for
the State of Ohio.

My commission expires April 5, 2009.

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