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RE: Columbus Southern Power Co., Docket No. 99-1729-EL-ETP;  
Ohio Power Co., Docket No. 99-1730-EL-ETP

Dear Attorney Examiners Petrucci and Deerwester:

On behalf of Intervenor UMWA, please consider this letter of intent to cross-examine witnesses in the above captioned matter.

As the UMWA was only granted Intervention on April 26, 2000, I have not been able to become fully advised with respect to the issues in this case that are relevant to the UMWA's interests. I have not reviewed the submitted direct or supplemental testimony of AEP witnesses, and have only recently been advised of who those individuals may be.

The UMWA's interest focuses on AEP mining subsidiaries, the costs associated with the continued operation, shutdown, or sale of those operations, and extent to which AEP has adequately projected costs for maintaining and insuring the viability of health care benefits of thousands of UMWA pensioners. We would desire to examine AEP witnesses who provided testimony concerning the mining subsidiaries, their related expenses, and how AEP intends to recover costs associated therewith.

In that regard, the UMWA would intend to cross-examine Mr. Philip Nelson, Mr. James N. Heller, Mr. William Forrester, and Mr. Richard Munzinski.

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As indicated hereinbefore, my late participation in this matter has made it extremely difficult to become fully prepared, and I respectfully request the opportunity to cross-examine the foregoing witnesses.

Very truly yours,



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