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Hon. Greta See, Attorney Examiner
Hon. Jeffrey Jones, Attorney Examiner
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus Ohio 43215-3793

Re: *In the Matter of the Fuel Adjustment Clauses for Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company,* Case Nos. 09-872-EL-FAC and 09-873-EL-FAC

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Dear Ms. See and Mr. Jones:

The Attorney Examiner Entry issued in the above-captioned cases on June 29, 2010 found that certain information contained in the confidential version of the May 14, 2010 Management/Performance and Financial Audit (Audit Report) constitutes trade secret information under Ohio law. This same information was redacted from the public version of the Audit Report. Based on the finding that the redacted information constitutes trade secret information and a related finding that nondisclosure of the information is not inconsistent with the purposes of Title 49 of the Revised Code, the June 29 Entry granted an 18-month protective order concerning the redacted information. Consistent with the protective order, the same information needs to be redacted from the testimony now being filed in these dockets. This matter was discussed at the pre-hearing conference today and the parties were directed to file the protected information being referenced in testimony under seal.

Accordingly, on behalf of Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company, the testimony of Phillip Nelson, Jason Rusk and Timothy Dooley are being filed under seal and labeled as "CONFIDENTIAL-SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER."

Very truly yours,

cc: Counsel of Record

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