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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. 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 Reply Brief of Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company, now being filed in these dockets. IEU also raised an additional confidential matter in its Initial Brief and sought confidential protection through a September 23, 2010 motion. AEP Ohio's Reply Brief also addresses that same matter raised by IEU and has redacted it as well.

Accordingly, the CONFIDENTIAL version of the Initial Brief is being filed under seal.

Very truly yours,

cc: Counsel of Record

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