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**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

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In the Matter of the Application of Ohio Power)
Company and Columbus Southern Power Company) Case No. 10-2376-EL-UNC
For Authority to Merge and Related Approvals.)

MOTION TO INTERVENE OF THE OHIO MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section ("R.C.") 4903.221, Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC") Rule 4901-1-11 and the Attorney Examiner's entry dated November 16, 2010, the Ohio Manufacturers' Association ("OMA") moves for leave to intervene in this proceeding. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Commission") should grant OMA leave to intervene because OMA has a real and substantial interest in this proceeding, and the Commission's disposition of this proceeding may impair or impede OMA's ability to protect that interest.

MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

On October 18, 2010 Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company (collectively "AEP Companies") filed an application seeking Commission authority to enter into an agreement and plan of merger which would provide for the merger of Columbus Southern into Ohio Power with Ohio Power being the surviving corporation. The members of OMA will be affected by the Commission's determination in this

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matter, and should be permitted to intervene in the above-captioned proceedings because it has real and substantial interests.

OMA is the only statewide association exclusively serving manufacturers. It has more than 1,600 Ohio manufacturing companies as members. OMA's member companies consume significant amounts of electrical energy and must rely on their host electric distribution utilities of the AEP Companies, to deliver the electric power necessary in their operations.

OMA is concerned that the ultimate resolution of the matters to be addressed in the above-captioned proceeding will have a substantial effect on the electricity costs of OMA members in the service area of the AEP Companies.

Consistent with the requirements of R.C. 4903.221, and OAC Rule 4901-1-11(B), OMA is a real party in interest herein, whose interest is not now represented, who can make a contribution to the proceeding and will not unduly delay the proceeding or prejudice any existing party. OMA submits that its interest is not represented by existing parties; that it will contribute to the just and expeditious resolution of the issues and concerns set forth in this proceeding; and that its participation in this proceeding will not cause undue delay or unjustly prejudice any existing party.

OMA has a substantial interest in these proceeding that is not adequately addressed by any other party. OMA's participation will enhance the effectiveness of the above proceedings, will not unnecessarily cause delay, and will help ensure that the proceedings in this matter are fair to its membership.

Accordingly, OMA respectfully requests the Commission to determine that OMA has a real and substantial interest in this proceeding and should grant its Motion to Intervene pursuant to R.C. 4903.221 and OAC Rule 4901-1-11.

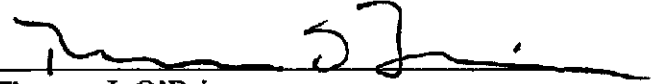
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing Motion to Intervene was served upon the parties of record listed below this 1st day of December 2010 via first class mail.


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