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**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of)
Columbus Southern Power Company and)
Ohio Power Company for Authority to)
Establish a Standard Service Offer)
Pursuant to §4928.143, Ohio Rev. Code,)
in the Form of an Electric Security Plan.)

Case No. 11-346-EL-SSO
Case No. 11-348-EL-SSO

In the Matter of the Application of)
Columbus Southern Power Company and)
Ohio Power Company for Approval of)
Certain Accounting Authority.)

Case No. 11-349-EL-AAM
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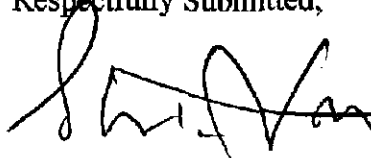
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**MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE OF HEARING DATE AND
REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT**

Under Ohio Administrative Code 4901-1-13(A), Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company (collectively referred to as the "Companies" or "AEP Ohio") respectfully request that this Commission grant this motion for a one-week continuance of the date on which the hearing in this matter will commence and, pursuant to O.A.C. 4901-1-12(C), to grant AEP Ohio's motion on an expedited basis.

The reasons for this motion are set forth more fully in the attached memorandum.

Respectfully Submitted,



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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

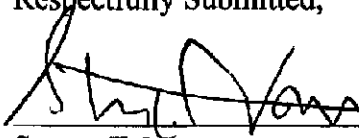
On January 27, 2011, AEP Ohio submitted an application for approval of a proposed electric security plan for its standard service offer electric generation supply, in the above-captioned proceeding. By entry dated February 9, 2011, the Commission adopted a procedural schedule setting a date for an evidentiary hearing to commence on July 13, 2011.

Due to a pre-existing conflict with the schedule of AEP Ohio's lead witness and President and Chief Operating Officer, Joseph Hamrock, applicant respectfully requests a brief continuance of the hearing date, to commence one-week later on July 20, 2011. Counsel for AEP Ohio has communicated with Commission Staff and all of the parties with motions to intervene pending in this proceeding, and hereby certifies that no party has expressed any objection or opposition to a one-week continuance, or to the issuance of a ruling on an expedited basis. The continuance of the hearing date will have no affect on the remainder of the procedural schedule for the case, which is still at a preliminary stage.

O.A.C. 4901-1-12(C) allows a party to request that the Commission consider a motion on an expedited basis if the party sets forth the grounds for the request and contacts the other parties to determine whether there is any objection to a ruling without the filing of memoranda. As set out above, AEP Ohio has taken these prerequisite steps, and there has been no objection.

Accordingly, AEP Ohio respectfully requests an expedited ruling that the hearing date in the proceeding be continued until July 20, 2011.

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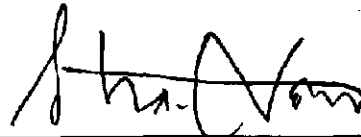
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Columbus Southern Power Company's and Ohio Power Company's Motion for Continuance and Request for Expedited Ruling has been served upon the below-named counsel via First Class mail, postage prepaid, this 16th day of February, 2011.



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