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BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the 2010 Annual Filing of)	
Columbus Southern Power Company and)	
Ohio Power Company Required by)	Case No. 11-4571-EL-UNC
Rule 4901:1-35-10, Ohio Administrative)	Case No. 11-4572-EL-UNC
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1 **PERSONAL BACKGROUND**

2 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.**

3 A. My name is Thomas E. Mitchell and my business address is 1 Riverside Plaza
4 Columbus, Ohio 43215.

5 **Q. ON WHOSE BEHALF ARE YOU TESTIFYING IN THIS PROCEEDING?**

6 A. I am testifying on behalf of Columbus Southern Power Company (CSP) and Ohio
7 Power Company (OPCo) or collectively AEP Ohio or the Companies.

8 **Q. BY WHOM ARE YOU EMPLOYED AND IN WHAT CAPACITY?**

9 A. I am employed by American Electric Power Service Corporation (AEPSC), a
10 subsidiary of American Electric Power Company, Inc. (AEP), as Managing Director
11 of Regulatory Accounting Services. AEP is the parent company of CSP and OPCo.

12 **Q. WHAT ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES AS MANAGING DIRECTOR OF**
13 **REGULATORY ACCOUNTING SERVICES?**

14 A. My primary responsibilities include providing the AEP System operating
15 subsidiaries, including CSP and OPCo, with accounting support for regulatory
16 filings. This support includes the preparation of cost-of-service adjustments,
17 accounting schedules, and accounting testimony. I direct a group of professionals
18 who provide accounting expertise, compile necessary historical accounting

1 schedules, present expert accounting testimony and respond to data requests in
2 connection with rate filings with eleven state regulatory commissions and the
3 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

4 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND**
5 **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE.**

6 A. I received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from Virginia Polytechnic
7 Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) in 1977. I also hold a Master of
8 Business Administration Degree from Virginia Tech and a Bachelor of Arts Degree
9 in Government from the University of Notre Dame. I have been a Certified Public
10 Accountant since 1978. I was first employed by Appalachian Power Company
11 (APCo) in 1979, an affiliated operating company of CSP and OPCo and, except for
12 employment with Norfolk Southern Corporation as an Assistant Accounting
13 Manager (1984-1985), have held various positions in the Accounting Department
14 continuously since that date. In 1998, I was promoted to Director, Accounting
15 Policy & Research and in 2008, I was promoted to my present position as Managing
16 Director of Regulatory Accounting Services. I have served as Chairman of the
17 Accounting Standards Committee of the Edison Electric Institute (EEI) and am
18 currently Chairman of the Joint Accounting Liaison Committee of the EEI which
19 meets annually with the FERC Accounting Staff to discuss accounting issues of
20 mutual interest to EEI and the FERC.

21 **Q. HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY TESTIFIED OR SUBMITTED TESTIMONY IN**
22 **ANY REGULATORY PROCEEDINGS?**

23 A. Yes, I recently submitted prefiled testimony on behalf of CSP and OPCo before the
24 Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO or the Commission) in the 2012 - May

1 2014 (2012 - 2014) Electric Security Plan (ESP) proceedings, Case No. 11-349-EL-
2 AAM and Case No. 11-350-EL-AAM, and the Companies' distribution base rate
3 case in Case Nos. 11-351-EL-AIR and 11-352-EL-AIR as well as filed rebuttal
4 testimony in the Ohio Remand Case No. 08-917-EL-SSO and Case No. 08-918-EL-
5 SSO. I also testified before the PUCO on behalf of CSP and OPCo regarding the
6 2009 Significantly Excessive Earnings Test (SEET) proceedings, Case No. 10-
7 1261-EL-UNC. In addition, I have filed accounting testimony and testified on
8 behalf of APCo and Wheeling Power Company before the Public Service
9 Commission of West Virginia, and on behalf of APCo before both the Virginia State
10 Corporation Commission and the FERC. I have also filed accounting testimony on
11 behalf of Indiana Michigan Power Company before the Indiana Utility Regulatory
12 Commission.

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14 **PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY**

15 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY IN THIS**
16 **PROCEEDING?**

17 A. My testimony addresses two primary areas. My testimony first describes the
18 method I used for calculating the Companies' earned return on common equity
19 (ROE) including adjustments to exclude Off-System Sales (OSS) net margins, non-
20 recurring items and special items. No adjustments were made to remove
21 extraordinary items for 2010 because there were no such items recorded. I then
22 calculated the earned ROE for CSP and OPCo for the year ended December 31,
23 2010 and provided my calculations to AEP Ohio witness Hamrock.

24 The second purpose of my testimony is to quantify those provisions of AEP

1 Ohio's ESP that AEP Ohio witness Hamrock has identified as directly producing
2 earnings which serve as a cap to ESP amounts that could be subject to be returned to
3 customers in the event it is determined that CSP had excessive earnings in 2010. I
4 did not calculate the amount of earnings such provisions produced for OPCo during
5 2010 because OPCo's ROE for 2010 falls within the "safe harbor" limit as
6 discussed by AEP Ohio witness Hamrock.

7 **EXHIBITS**

8 **Q. ARE YOU SPONSORING ANY EXHIBITS IN THIS PROCEEDING?**

9 A. Yes, I am sponsoring 5 exhibits identified as follows including 2010 data for AEP
10 Ohio:

11 • Exhibit TEM-1: Earned ROE

12 For CSP only:

13 • Exhibit TEM-2: Equity Return on Incremental 2001-2008 Environmental
14 Investments and on Incremental 2009 Environmental Investments

15 • Exhibit TEM-3: Equity Return on Enhanced Vegetation Management
16 Investments

17 • Exhibit TEM-4: Equity Return on gridSMART Investments

18 • Exhibit TEM-5: Net Incremental Provider of Last Resort Revenues

19 **Q. WERE THESE EXHIBITS PREPARED BY YOU OR UNDER YOUR**
20 **SUPERVISION AND DIRECTION?**

21 A. Yes.

1 **RETURN ON EQUITY (ROE)**

2 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE METHOD YOU USED TO CALCULATE THE**
3 **ROES FOR CSP AND OPCO AS SHOWN IN EXHIBIT TEM-1.**

4 A. The calculation of the ROEs was performed in two steps. I first calculated the
5 respective per books (unadjusted) 2010 ROE (refer to Exhibit TEM-1) for both CSP
6 and OPCo using the amounts for 2010 net earnings available to common
7 shareholders compared to the average of the beginning and ending equity for the
8 year ended December 31, 2010. The use of average equity was determined by the
9 PUCO to be appropriate in Case No. 09-786-EL-UNC by its Entry on Rehearing
10 dated August 25, 2010, page 6, and is consistent with the calculation of the average
11 equity for the comparable group.

12 **Q. WHAT WAS THE SECOND STEP FOR YOUR DETERMINATION OF THE**
13 **APPROPRIATE ROES?**

14 A. In accordance with the PUCO order in Case No. 10-1261-EL-UNC, (2009 SEET
15 review) I made adjustments (after federal and state income tax) to remove the OSS
16 net margins, as well as non-recurring and special items from the net earnings
17 available to common shareholders (or numerator) and common shareholder equity
18 (or denominator). For 2010, there were no minority interest or extraordinary items.

19 **Q. WHAT ARE THE RESULTS OF THE TWO STEPS OF THE**
20 **CALCULATION OF THE ROES?**

1 A. The results are summarized as follows:

<u>Step</u>	<u>CSP</u>	<u>OPCo</u>
Step 1: Per Books ROE	16.17%	9.70%
Step 2: Adjusted SEET ROE	17.40%	9.84%

2 **Q. DID YOU PROVIDE YOUR CALCULATIONS OF THE 2010 ROE FOR CSP**
3 **AND OPCO TO AEP OHIO WITNESS HAMROCK?**

4 A. Yes.

5 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW THE COMPANIES MADE ADJUSTMENTS TO**
6 **THE NUMERATOR.**

7 A. CSP and OPCo took the net amount of all the adjustments as shown on page 1 of
8 Exhibit TEM-1 for the twelve months ended December 31, 2010 and removed their
9 impact on earnings for purposes of the 2010 SEET review. The amounts derived for
10 each of these adjustments are shown on page 2 of Exhibit TEM-1 and are discussed
11 later in my testimony.

12 **Q. IN THE 2009 SEET PROCEEDING, THE COMPANY DID NOT MAKE**
13 **ADJUSTMENTS TO THE DENOMINATOR. HAVE THE COMPANIES**
14 **USED THE SAME APPROACH FOR THIS CASE?**

15 A. No. The Commission directed, in the 2009 SEET review, that adjustments made to
16 the numerator should also have related adjustments in the denominator.

17 **Q. HOW DID THE COMPANY MAKE ADJUSTMENTS TO THE**
18 **DENOMINATOR?**

- 1 A. For all adjustments except OSS net margins, CSP and OPCo used the same after tax
2 amount calculated for the numerator to adjust the denominator.
- 3 **Q. HOW HAVE CSP AND OPCO PROPOSED TO ADJUST THE**
4 **DENOMINATOR FOR OSS NET MARGINS IN THE 2010 SEET REVIEW?**
- 5 A. CSP and OPCo have compared the Megawatt hours (MWh) sold for OSS to the
6 MWh generated by those plants as shown on page 5 of Exhibit TEM-1. This MWh
7 ratio was then multiplied by the amount of equity related to generation plant net
8 book value (NBV) as shown on page 4 of Exhibit TEM-1.
- 9 **Q. IS THE APPROACH THE SAME METHOD EMPLOYED IN THE**
10 **PREVIOUS 2009 SEET REVIEW?**
- 11 A. No. The method proposed by CSP and OPCo is more directly related to OSS net
12 margins because it uses the actual output of OSS MWh to ratio the amount of equity
13 related to generation plant NBV. The method proposed by the Commission Staff
14 and approved by the Commission in the previous SEET case used total sales for
15 resale as a percentage of total sales to ratio the equity related to generation plant
16 NBV. However, the total sales for resale includes affiliated sales for resale and
17 Transmission Cost Recovery Rider (TCRR) transactions that are not related to OSS
18 net margins and distorts the allocation, particularly for OPCo.
- 19 **Q. WHAT WAS THE RESULT OF THE COMPANIES' CALCULATION OF**
20 **THE OSS NET MARGIN ADJUSTMENT TO EQUITY (DENOMINATOR)**
21 **USING THE MWH METHOD DISCUSSED ABOVE?**
- 22 A. CSP and OPCo's adjustments to equity are a reduction of \$114.003 million and
23 \$196.882 million, respectively as shown on page 4 of Exhibit TEM-1.
- 24 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE NON-RECURRING ORGANIZATIONAL**

1 **RESTRUCTURING CHARGES ADJUSTMENT?**

2 A. In April 2010, AEP announced an initiative to achieve workforce reductions through
3 an organizational restructuring program. The total cost of this program recorded in
4 2010 for CSP and OPCo was \$32.402 million and \$56.610 million pre-tax,
5 respectively. The after-tax amounts of \$20.809 million and \$36.055 million for CSP
6 and OPCo, respectively have been added back to the net earnings available for
7 common shareholders and common shareholder equity which is used in the
8 calculation of average equity.

9 **Q. CAN YOU DESCRIBE WHAT THE COMPANY REQUESTED RELATED**
10 **TO THE ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING PROGRAM IN THE**
11 **RECENTLY FILED DISTRIBUTION BASE RATE CASE IN CASE NO. 11-**
12 **351-EL-AIR AND CASE NO. 11-352-EL-AIR?**

13 A. Yes. The Company requested the deferral (pre-tax) of \$17.865 million and \$15.953
14 million for CSP and OPCo, respectively related to the cost of the program for the
15 distribution function. The Company proposed that the deferral be recovered and
16 amortized over three years.

17 **Q. HOW IS THE COMPANY PROPOSING THIS REQUESTED DEFERRAL**
18 **IMPACT THE SEET PROCEEDING?**

19 A. If the Commission approves the distribution deferral and recovery, the approved
20 amount deferred should be treated in the same fashion as the non-recurring expenses
21 in the 2010 SEET review. The income from the deferral of these costs should be a
22 deduction for purposes of calculating SEET earnings in the period that the deferral
23 is recorded since the organizational restructuring expenses are added back for
24 purposes of calculating the 2010 SEET earnings. To do otherwise would provide

1 inconsistent treatment of the expense and subsequent deferral of the expense of the
2 organizational restructuring program. If approved, subsequent recovery in
3 distribution revenues and related amortization expense will produce a zero net effect
4 on earnings.

5 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE NON-RECURRING MEDICARE PART D**
6 **SUBSIDY CHANGE ADJUSTMENT.**

7 A. As discussed in the Companies 2010 10-K, the Patient Protection and Affordable
8 Care Act and the related Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act (Health
9 Care Acts) were enacted in March 2010. The Health Care Acts amend tax rules so
10 that the portion of employer health care costs that are reimbursed by the Medicare
11 Part D prescription drug subsidy will no longer be deductible by the employer for
12 federal income tax purposes effective for years beginning after December 31, 2012.
13 Because of the loss of the future tax deduction, CSP and OPCo recorded expense
14 (pre-tax) of \$1.416 million and \$4.365 million, respectively in 2010. The respective
15 after tax amounts of \$0.9 million and \$2.780 million have been added back to net
16 earnings available for common shareholders and common shareholder equity for
17 purposes of the 2010 SEET review.

18 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE SPECIAL ADJUSTMENT FOR THE 2009 SEET.**

19 A. The special adjustment for the 2009 SEET gives effect to the PUCO's order in Case
20 No. 10-1261-EL-UNC related to the 2009 SEET review, where CSP was
21 determined to have 2009 earnings subject to be returned under the SEET of \$42.683
22 million.

23 **Q. SPECIFICALLY, WHAT DID THE PUCO STATE IN ITS 2009 SEET**
24 **REVIEW ORDER THAT ADDRESSED HOW THE \$42.683 MILLION**

1 **RELATED TO 2009 SHOULD BE TREATED FOR PURPOSES OF A SEET**
2 **REVIEW?**

3 A. The PUCO stated on page 35 of its 2009 SEET order that:

4 The Commission directs CSP to apply the significantly excessive
5 earnings, as determined in this Opinion and Order, first to any
6 deferrals in the FAC account on CSP's books as of the date of this
7 order, with any remaining balance to be credited to CSP's customers
8 on a per kilowatt hour basis beginning with the first billing cycle in
9 February 2011 and coinciding with the end of the current ESP period.
10 Additionally, the Commission finds that any balance credited to
11 CSP's customers will not be deducted from the Company's earnings
12 for purposes of the 2011 SEET review.

13
14 **Q. IS THE PUCO'S TREATMENT OF THE \$42.683 MILLION CONSISTENT**
15 **WITH ITS ORDER IN CASE NO. 09-786-EL-UNC?**

16 A. Yes. In that order, on page 15, the PUCO stated that "Finally, we also agree, as
17 Customer Parties emphasize, that any adjustment to the earnings of an electric
18 utility, as a result of a refund, should be excluded from the SEET calculation in the
19 year the adjustment is made to avoid distorting the electric utility's income."

20 **Q. HOW MUCH OF CSP'S 2009 EARNINGS SUBJECT TO RETURN OF**
21 **\$42.683 MILLION WAS APPLIED TO RECOVER ITS DEFERRED FUEL**
22 **AND HOW MUCH WAS REFUNDED TO CUSTOMERS?**

23 A. Approximately \$18.718 million was applied to recover deferred fuel amounts and
24 approximately \$23.965 million is being refunded to customers over the periods
25 February through December 2011.

26 **Q. WHY, AS SHOWN ON PAGE 2 OF EXHIBIT TEM-1, DID YOU GIVE**
27 **EFFECT IN 2010 TO THE \$42.683 MILLION RELATED TO THE 2009**
28 **SEET REVIEW?**

29 A. CSP provided for the \$42.683 million (pre-tax), which reduced the 2010 per books

1 earnings. The Commission order in Case No. 10-1261-EL-UNC specified that any
2 balance credited to customers would not be deducted from the Company's earnings
3 for purposes of the 2011 SEET review. Accordingly, I added back \$27.411 million
4 (after-tax) to adjust out this effect from 2010 SEET earnings to comply with the
5 intent of the Commission order discussed above.

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7 **ESP RATE ADJUSTMENTS THAT COULD BE RETURNED TO CUSTOMERS IF**
8 **EARNINGS ARE FOUND TO BE SIGNIFICANTLY EXCESSIVE**

9 **Q. DID YOU QUANTIFY THE 2010 VALUES FOR THE FIVE ITEMS WHICH**
10 **AEP OHIO WITNESS HAMROCK IDENTIFIED AS COMPONENTS OF**
11 **THE ESP RATE INCREASE THAT WERE PAID BY RATEPAYERS AND**
12 **INCREASED CSP'S EARNINGS AND SERVE AS A CAP TO ESP**
13 **AMOUNTS THAT COULD BE SUBJECT TO BE RETURNED TO**
14 **CUSTOMERS?**

15 **A.** Yes. Please refer to the following summary table for these five items for CSP,
16 which presents the respective items for 2010 on an after-tax basis in order to
17 determine the effect on net earnings realized by the CSP. OPCo is excluded from
18 this analysis because its ROE for 2010 falls within the "safe harbor" limit. The five
19 items listed in the table below are supported by Exhibits TEM-2 through Exhibit
20 TEM-5:

ELIGIBLE COMPONENTS	EXHIBIT	Pre-Tax (000's)	After-Tax (000's)
Equity Return on Incremental 2001-2008	TEM-2	\$14,041	\$9,017
Environmental Investments on Incremental 2009 Environmental Investments	TEM-2	3,632	2,332
Equity Return on Enhanced Vegetation Management Investments	TEM-3	163	105
Equity Return on gridSMART Investments	TEM-4	1,225	787
Net Incremental Provider of Last Resort Revenues	TEM-5	74,874	48,084
TOTAL		\$93,935	\$60,325

1 **Q. CAN YOU EXPLAIN WHY THESE FIVE ESP RATE ADJUSTMENTS**
2 **INCREASED EARNINGS, WHILE OTHER ESP RATE ADJUSTMENTS**
3 **PAID BY RATEPAYERS DID NOT?**

4 **A.** Yes, the five ESP rate adjustments which I calculated in Exhibits TEM-2 through
5 Exhibit TEM-5 directly affected earnings. The other elements of the ESP rate
6 adjustments did not contribute to earnings as CSP and OPCo employ over/under
7 regulatory accounting to ensure earnings neutrality. These excluded rate
8 adjustments provided revenue to recover incurred costs including fuel and the non-
9 equity components of the carrying costs on incremental 2001-2008 environmental
10 investments and on incremental 2009 environmental investments and the ESP riders
11 including Enhanced Vegetation Management and gridSMART. As explained

1 below, the non-equity components of these riders provide for recovery of incurred
2 costs including the cost of debt, depreciation, operation and maintenance expenses,
3 federal income taxes, property taxes and general and administrative expenses.

4 **Q. WHAT METHODOLOGY DID YOU USE TO DETERMINE THE EQUITY**
5 **RETURN ON INCREMENTAL 2001-2008 ENVIRONMENTAL**
6 **INVESTMENTS SHOWN IN EXHIBIT TEM-2?**

7 A. The equity return (as a part of an overall carrying cost) on incremental 2001-2008
8 environmental investments (environmental investments) was approved in AEP
9 Ohio's ESP (see Case No. 08-917-EL-SSO and Case No. 08-918-EL-SSO Entry on
10 Rehearing Order dated July 23, 2010, "ESP Entry on Rehearing", pages 10-13 and
11 related Opinion and Order dated March 18, 2010, "ESP Order", pages 24-28) and
12 was included in the overall generation rate instead of as a separate rider. The total
13 carrying cost rate of 14.94% for CSP on these environmental investments included a
14 debt and equity return, as well as recovery of other carrying costs including
15 depreciation, federal income taxes, property taxes and general and administrative
16 expenses and affected the base generation rate (excluding FAC). The first step I
17 performed in order to calculate the amount of the total carrying costs on
18 environmental investments paid by ratepayers in 2010 was to identify the total base
19 generation revenues for the twelve months ended December 31, 2010 from the
20 customer billing system which was approximately \$434 million for CSP. Next, I
21 calculated the portion of the total base generation revenues applicable to these total
22 carrying costs on environmental investments using the ESP-approved percentage
23 increases for carrying cost on environmental investments of 6.29% for CSP. I
24 divided the total base generation revenue by 106.29% for CSP to determine the base

1 revenues before the ESP increase. The difference in revenue is attributable to the
2 total carrying costs on the environmental investments as approved in the ESP and
3 results in approximately \$25.7 million for CSP. This difference is then multiplied
4 by the ratio of the after-tax weighted average equity approved return rate (5.25%)
5 compared to the total approved carrying charge rate (14.94%) in order to determine
6 the portion of the ESP environmental-related earnings attributable to the approved
7 after-tax equity return (\$9 million for CSP). Finally, the environmental-related
8 after-tax earnings attributable to the approved equity return were divided by one
9 minus the effective tax rate (1 - 35.78%) to calculate the before-tax equity return on
10 environmental investments of \$14 million for CSP as shown on Exhibit TEM-2.

11 **Q. WHAT METHODOLOGY DID YOU USE TO DETERMINE THE EQUITY**
12 **RETURN ON INCREMENTAL 2009 ENVIRONMENTAL INVESTMENTS**
13 **SHOWN IN EXHIBIT TEM-2?**

14 A. The equity return (as a part of an overall carrying cost) on incremental 2009
15 environmental investments was approved in AEP Ohio's ESP (see Case No. 08-917-
16 EL-SSO and related Opinion and Order dated March 18, 2010, "ESP Order", page
17 30) and was included in a separate rider. The total carrying cost rate of 13.59% for
18 CSP on these environmental investments included a debt and equity return, as well
19 as recovery of other carrying costs including depreciation, federal income taxes,
20 property taxes and general and administrative expenses. I first obtained the total
21 revenues recorded under the Environmental Investment Carrying Cost rider (\$6.037
22 million for CSP). Next, similar to the calculation made for the after-tax earnings
23 equity portion of the total carrying costs on 2001-2008 environmental investments, I
24 pro-rated the after-tax earnings equity portion of the total carrying cost,

1 approximately \$2.332 million for CSP. Finally, the after-tax earnings attributable to
2 the approved equity return was divided by one minus the effective tax rate (1 -
3 35.78%) to calculate the before-tax equity return on 2009 environmental
4 investments of \$3.632 million for CSP. These calculations are shown in Exhibit
5 TEM-2.

6 **Q. WHAT METHODOLOGY DID YOU USE TO DETERMINE THE EQUITY**
7 **RETURN ON ENHANCED VEGETATION MANAGEMENT**
8 **INVESTMENTS SHOWN IN EXHIBIT TEM-3?**

9 A. The equity return (as a part of an overall carrying cost) on enhanced vegetation
10 management investments was approved in AEP Ohio's ESP proceeding (ESP Entry
11 on Rehearing, pages 14-18 and ESP Order at pages 30-34) and was included in the
12 ESRP separate rider. The enhanced vegetation management rider included recovery
13 of operations and maintenance expenses, as well as a total carrying cost rate on
14 these enhanced vegetation management investments. The total carrying cost rate is
15 composed of a debt and equity return, as well as recovery of other carrying costs
16 including depreciation, federal income taxes, property taxes and general and
17 administrative expenses. The methodology I used to calculate the equity portion of
18 the total carrying costs included in the ESRP rider paid by ratepayers in 2010 and
19 shown on Exhibit TEM-3, was similar to that previously described related to the
20 total carrying costs on environmental investments and included first identifying the
21 total revenues recorded under the ESRP rider (\$10.1 million for CSP). Next, I
22 calculated the amount of the carrying costs on eligible enhanced vegetation
23 management investments included in these ESRP revenues by pro-rating the
24 percentage of total carrying costs designed in the tariff for these capital investments

1 to the total estimated tariff revenue. The pro-rated amounts were based on the
2 1.32% carrying cost capital investment ratio from the prior year and the new capital
3 investment ratio of 5.95% based on rates effective in September 2010 approved by
4 the Commission in Case No. 10-163-EL-RDR. The calculation of 5.95% carrying
5 cost is shown on Exhibit TEM-3. The result was approximately \$0.3 million for
6 CSP. Next, similar to the calculation made for the after-tax earnings equity portion
7 of the total carrying costs on environmental investments, I pro-rated the after-tax
8 earnings equity portion of the total carrying cost, approximately \$105 thousand for
9 CSP. Finally, the after-tax earnings attributable to the approved equity return was
10 divided by one minus the effective tax rate (1 - 35.78%) to calculate the before-tax
11 equity return on enhanced vegetation management investments of \$163 thousand for
12 CSP. These calculations are shown in Exhibit TEM-3.

13 **Q. WHAT METHODOLOGY DID YOU USE TO DETERMINE THE EQUITY**
14 **RETURN ON GRIDSMART INVESTMENTS SHOWN IN EXHIBIT TEM-4?**

15 A. I used a similar methodology as I used in the determination of the equity return on
16 the three previous equity cost determinations. The equity return (as a part of an
17 overall carrying cost) on gridSMART was approved in AEP Ohio's ESP proceeding
18 (ESP Entry on Rehearing, pages 18-24 and ESP Order at page 34-38) and was
19 included in the gridSMART rider. The gridSMART rider included recovery of
20 operations and maintenance expenses, as well as a total carrying cost rate on the
21 gridSMART investments. The total carrying cost rate is composed of debt and
22 equity, as well as recovery of other carrying costs including depreciation, federal
23 income taxes, property taxes and general and administrative expenses. To calculate
24 the equity portion of the total carrying costs included in the gridSMART rider paid

1 by ratepayers in 2010 I first identifying the total revenues recorded under the
2 gridSMART rider (\$8.0 million for CSP). Next, I calculated the amount of the
3 carrying costs on gridSMART investments included in these gridSMART revenues
4 (approximately \$3.9 million) by pro-rating the percentage of total carrying costs
5 designed in the tariff for these investments to the total estimated tariff revenue. The
6 pro-rated amounts were based on the O&M and carrying cost split from the prior
7 year and the new ratio based on rates put in place in September 2010 approved by
8 the Commission in Case No. 10-164-EL-RDR. The calculation of 40% O&M and
9 60% carrying cost is shown on Exhibit TEM-4. Finally, I similarly pro-rated the
10 after-tax equity portion of the total carrying cost to determine the after-tax equity
11 portion of approximately \$0.8 million (\$1.2 million before tax). This pro-ration
12 considered that the 5.25% equity rate should be compared to the average total
13 carrying cost rate of approximately 25.23% for the varying property lives which
14 results in 19.98% of the carrying cost attributable to equity. My calculations are
15 shown on Exhibit TEM-4.

16 **Q. WHAT METHODOLOGY DID YOU USE TO DETERMINE THE NET**
17 **INCREMENTAL PROVIDER OF LAST RESORT (POLR) REVENUES**
18 **SHOWN IN EXHIBIT TEM-5?**

19 **A.** POLR revenues were approved in AEP Ohio's ESP proceeding (ESP Entry on
20 Rehearing, pages 24-27 and ESP Order at pages 38-40) and was included in the
21 nonbypassable POLR separate rider. Using this separate rider, I was able to identify
22 the POLR revenues for the twelve months ended December 31, 2010 of
23 approximately \$94.6 million for CSP. I next had to determine the ESP portion of
24 the total POLR revenues, as the approved rider for CSP also included a pre-ESP

1 POLR component of \$13.6 million for CSP. The incremental increase in the POLR
2 was \$81 million for CSP due to the ESP. Finally, an additional reduction of \$6.2
3 million for CSP should be made for the POLR offset to the Economic Development
4 Rider in accordance with PUCO Finding and Order in Case No. 09-1095-EL-RDR
5 dated January 7, 2010 (“EDR Order”) pages 10 and 11 to recognize that POLR
6 applicable to Ormet and Eramet can not be recovered in the EDR tariff as ordered
7 by the PUCO. In summary the net incremental POLR of \$74.9 million (\$48.1
8 million after-tax) for CSP is the appropriate amount, as shown in Exhibit TEM-5.

9 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR DIRECT TESTIMONY?**

10 A. Yes.

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Earned ROE

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2010

Step 1 Per Books ROE

Description	CSP (000's)	OPCo (000's)	AEP Ohio (000's)
Earnings Attributable to Common Stock	\$ 230,074	\$ 310,661	\$ 540,735
12 Month Average Total Common Shareholder's Equity	\$ 1,423,025 (A)	\$ 3,201,560 (A)	\$ 4,624,585
Return on Equity (%)	16.17%	9.70%	11.69%

Step 2 Per Books ROE Calculation - Excluding Off-System Sales Net Margins and Other Adjustments

Description	CSP (000's)	OPCo (000's)	AEP Ohio (000's)
Earnings Attributable to Common Stock	\$ 230,074	\$ 310,661	\$ 540,735
Less: OSS Net Margins and Other Adjustments After-Tax	\$ 1,905 (B)	\$ (12,947) (B)	\$ (11,042)
Earnings Attributable to Common Stock (excluding OSS and Other Adjustments)	\$ 231,979	\$ 297,714	\$ 551,777
Adjusted 12 Month Average Total Common Shareholder's Equity	\$ 1,333,587 (B)	\$ 3,024,095 (B)	\$ 4,357,681
Return on Equity (%)	17.40%	9.84%	12.66%

(A) Per Books Common Shareholder's Equity (SHE)

Period Ended	Total Common SHE (000's)	OPCo Period Ended	Total Common SHE (000's)
12/31/2009	1,359,835	12/31/2009	3,234,695
12/31/2010	1,486,215	12/31/2010	3,168,424
Per Books Average Common SHE	1,423,025		3,201,560

(B) See Exhibit TEM-1 page 2

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Adjustment Support
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Line Number:	Adjustments:	CSP-2010 (000's)	OPCo-2010 (000's)
	<u>Description</u>		
1	OSS (See page 3)	\$(47,224) (A)	\$ (51,782) (A)
2	Org. Restructuring Program	\$ 20,809 (B)	\$ 38,055 (B)
3	Medicare Part D Subsidy Change	\$ 909 (B)	\$ 2,780 (B)
4	2009 SEET Adjustment	\$ 27,411 (B)	\$ - (B)
5	Sub-total	\$ 1,905	\$ (12,947)
6	Total w/o OSS	\$ 49,129	\$ 38,835

7 (A) See Exhibit TEM-1 page 3

	(B) CSP				OPCo			
		Pre-Tax	Tax Rate	After-Tax		Pre-Tax	Tax Rate	After-Tax
8 Description								
9 Org. Restructuring Program		32,402	35.78%	20,809		56,610	38.31%	38,055
10 Medicare Part D Subsidy Change		1,416	35.78%	909		4,365	38.31%	2,780
11 2009 SEET Refund		42,883	35.78%	27,411		-		-

13 <u>Adjusted Common SHE</u>								
14 <u>CSP</u>		Total Common		OPCO		Total Common		
15		SHE				SHE		
16	Period Ended	(000's)		Period Ended	(000's)			
17	12/31/2010	1,486,215		12/31/2010	3,168,424			
18	Current year adjustments							
19	excluding OSS	49,129 (Line 6)			38,835 (Line 6)			
20	Adjusted 12/31/10 Common SHE	1,535,344			3,207,259			
21	Unadjusted 12/31/09 Common SHE	1,359,835			3,234,895			
22	Adjusted Avg. Common SHE w/o OSS	1,447,590			3,220,977			
23	OSS Adjustment	114,003 (C)			196,882 (D)			
24	Adjusted Average Common SHE	1,561,593			3,417,859			

25 (C) See Exhibit TEM-1 Page 4

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Off-System Sales Net Margins
For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2010

Month	Off-System Sales Net Margins				OPCo - After Tax			
	CSP - Before Tax	CSP - After Tax	CSP - After Tax	CSP - After Tax	OPCo - Before Tax	OPCo - After Tax	OPCo - After Tax	OPCo - After Tax
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
January	\$ 8,066	\$ 5,180	\$ 5,180	\$ 5,180	\$ 10,778	\$ 6,865	\$ 6,865	\$ 6,865
February	6,507	4,179	4,179	9,359	7,823	4,982	4,982	11,847
March	2,809	1,804	1,804	11,163	3,136	1,997	1,997	13,844
April	2,894	1,859	1,859	13,022	3,289	2,095	2,095	15,939
May	2,028	1,302	1,302	14,324	2,233	1,422	1,422	17,361
June	7,418	4,764	4,764	19,088	7,912	5,039	5,039	22,400
July	12,208	7,840	7,840	26,928	12,770	8,133	8,133	30,533
August	8,598	5,522	5,522	32,450	11,230	7,152	7,152	37,685
September	9,146	5,874	5,874	38,324	10,500	6,687	6,687	44,372
October	4,751	3,051	3,051	41,375	4,625	2,946	2,946	47,318
November	4,811	3,090	3,090	44,465	4,556	2,902	2,902	50,220
December	4,296	2,759	2,759	47,224	2,452	1,562	1,562	51,782
Total Off-System Sales Net Margins	\$ 73,532	\$ 47,224	\$ 47,224		\$ 81,304	\$ 51,782	\$ 51,782	
Tax Rate	35.78%				36.31%			

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OSS Equity Adjustment

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2010

Company Proposed Method

1. Calculate PP&E Ratio
Total Average Generation Net Plant
Total Net Plant
Total Avg. Generation / Total Plant
52.43%
2. Calculate OSS in Equity
Per Books Average Equity
Amount of equity "supporting" Production Plant
\$ 1,423,025
\$ 746,092
3. MWH Allocation
Average OSS as % of Net Plant (See Page 5)
Amount of equity "supporting" Production Plant
15.28%
\$ 746,092
\$ 114,003

CSP 2010 (000's)	OPCo 2010 (000's)
\$ 1,710,827	\$ 4,350,239
\$ 3,263,204	\$ 6,274,622
	69.33% (A), (1)

\$ 1,423,025	\$ 3,201,560 (B)
\$ 746,092	\$ 2,219,541 (C) = (A) X (B)

\$ 746,092	8.87% (D)
\$ 114,003	\$ 2,219,541 (C)
	\$ 196,882 (C) X (D)

(1) Total Avg. Generation / Total Plant

CSP	2010	Gross	Depreciation	Net	OPCo	2010	Gross	Depreciation	Net
Intangible Plant	60,244			60,244	Intangible Plant		66,636		66,636
Production Plant	2,772,774	1,061,823	1,710,951 (E)		Production Plant		6,857,587	2,583,268	4,274,319 (E)
Transmission Plant	658,516	244,647	413,869		Transmission Plant		1,232,471	518,620	713,851
Distribution Plant	1,792,667	746,786	1,045,881		Distribution Plant		1,625,195	539,327	1,085,868
General Plant	96,401	40,177	56,224		General Plant		143,978	56,713	87,265
Totals	5,380,602	2,093,433	3,287,169 (F)		Totals		9,925,867	3,697,928	6,227,939 (F)

CSP	2009	Gross	Depreciation	Net	OPCo	2009	Gross	Depreciation	Net
Intangible Plant	55,521			55,521	Intangible Plant		76,310		76,310
Production Plant	2,723,047	1,012,345	1,710,702 (G)		Production Plant		6,708,451	2,282,292	4,426,159 (G)
Transmission Plant	619,884	234,237	385,647		Transmission Plant		1,164,352	497,043	667,309
Distribution Plant	1,742,607	710,916	1,031,691		Distribution Plant		1,567,146	503,031	1,064,115
General Plant	95,862	40,184	55,678		General Plant		141,102	53,691	87,411
Totals	5,236,921	1,997,682	3,239,239 (H)		Totals		9,657,361	3,336,057	6,321,304 (H)

Average Gen	1,710,827 (E+G)/2	Average Gen	4,350,239
Average Total	3,263,204 (F+H)/2	Average Total	6,274,622 (F+H)/2
Avg. Gen./Total	52.43%	Avg. Gen./Total	69.33%

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Company Proposed OSS Equity Adjustment
For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2010
Source: Monthly AEP Interchange Power Statements (IPS) Page 10s

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		Total 2010 - OPCO MWh			
	2010	Total Gen	LSE	OSS	%OSS
OPCO	AMOS 3	6,002,749	4,837,637	1,165,112	19.41%
	CARDINAL 1	3,602,911	3,376,251	226,660	6.29%
	CARDINAL 2	182,935	0	182,935	100.00%
	CARDINAL 3	273,251	0	273,251	100.00%
	GAVIN 1	8,819,705	8,618,419	201,286	2.28%
	GAVIN 2	10,065,854	9,807,225	258,629	2.57%
	KAMMER 1	502,282	362,604	139,678	27.81%
	KAMMER 2	581,823	450,370	131,453	22.59%
	KAMMER 3	414,319	305,238	109,081	26.33%
	MITCHELL 1	4,905,406	4,448,473	456,933	9.31%
	MITCHELL 2	5,336,655	5,053,187	283,468	5.31%
	MUSKINGUM 1	739,225	693,246	45,979	6.22%
	MUSKINGUM 2	661,797	594,240	67,557	10.21%
	MUSKINGUM 3	917,966	857,022	60,944	6.64%
	MUSKINGUM 4	1,044,158	967,500	76,658	7.34%
	MUSKINGUM 5	3,338,739	3,218,680	120,059	3.60%
	SPORN 1	0	0	0	0.0%
	SPORN 2	544,771	303,328	241,443	44.32%
	SPORN 3	0	0	0	0.0%
	SPORN 4	520,837	291,776	229,061	43.98%
	SPORN 5	221,956	172,361	49,595	22.34%
	TOTAL	48,677,339	44,357,557	4,319,782	8.87%

		Total 2010 - CSP MWh			
	2010	Total Gen	LSE	OSS	%OSS
CSP	BECKJORD 6	244,388	225,559	18,829	7.70%
	CONESVILLE 1	0	0	0	0.0%
	CONESVILLE 2	0	0	0	0.0%
	CONESVILLE 3	544,811	407,414	137,397	25.22%
	CONESVILLE 4	1,002,200	864,053	138,147	13.78%
	CONESVILLE 5	1,629,602	1,143,352	486,250	29.84%
	CONESVILLE 6	1,851,291	1,301,454	549,797	29.70%
	DARBY 1	7,112	6,370	742	10.43%
	DARBY 2	7,060	6,296	764	10.82%
	DARBY 3	8,306	7,626	680	8.19%
	DARBY 4	7,276	6,537	739	10.16%
	DARBY 5	1,463	1,422	41	2.80%
	DARBY 6	6,876	6,221	655	9.53%
	LAWRENCEBURG 1	719,816	627,371	92,445	12.84%
	LAWRENCEBURG 2	828,046	714,272	113,774	13.74%
	PICWAY 5	65,072	20,658	44,414	68.25%
	STUART 1	775,053	751,579	23,474	3.03%
	STUART 2	1,006,363	907,323	99,040	9.84%
	STUART 3	799,421	720,427	78,994	9.88%
	STUART 4	881,812	787,747	93,765	10.64%
	WATERFORD	1,221,136	1,058,730	162,406	13.30%
	ZIMMER 1	2,462,245	2,355,485	106,760	4.34%
	TOTAL	14,069,009	11,919,896	2,149,113	15.28%

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Equity Return on Incremental 2001 - 2008 Environmental Investments
on 2009 Environmental Investments
For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2010

2001 - 2008 Environmental Investments

Description	CSP
Base Generation Revenue Including Increase for Environmental Investments	\$ 433,738,690
ESP Approved Increase in Base G for 2001-2008 Environmental Carrying Costs	6.29% (A)
ESP Approved Increase + 100%	106.29%
Calculated Original Base Generation Revenue	408,076,649
Total ESP Environmental Revenue	\$ 25,660,041
Equity portion of Return - After Tax	5.25% (B)
Approved Carrying Charge Rate	14.94% (C)
Carrying Charge Rate Percentage of Approved Return	35.14%
After-Tax Total ESP Environmental Revenue Attributable to Equity Earnings	9,016,938
Tax Rate	35.78%
Pre-Tax ESP Environmental Revenue Attributable to Equity Earnings)	14,040,701

(A) % Increase based on ESP approved increase for environmental carrying costs. Rates were included in the application filed in Case No. 09-1906-EL-ATA on Schedule 2 for CSP to adjust annual Non-FAC revenue.

(B) From Exhibits PJN-11 in ESP filing Case Numbers 08-917-EL-SSO.

(C) From Exhibits PJN-10 in ESP filing Case Numbers 08-917-EL-SSO based on 25 year life property.

2009 Environmental Investments Cost Recovery Rider (EICRR)

Total EICRR Revenues	6,037,254
Equity portion of Return - After Tax	5.25% (D)
Approved Carrying Charge Rate	13.59% (E)
Carrying Charge Rate Percentage of Approved Return	38.63%
After-Tax Total ESP Environmental Revenue Attributable to Equity Earnings	2,332,191
Tax Rate	35.78%
Pre-Tax ESP Environmental Revenue Attributable to Equity Earnings)	3,631,565

(D) From Exhibits PJN-11 in ESP filing Case Numbers 08-917-EL-SSO.

(E) From CSP Compliance tariffs filed in EICRR Case No. 10-155-EL-RDR - Attachment B based on 25 year life property.

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Equity Return on Enhanced Vegetation Management Investments
For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2010

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	<u>CSP</u>	<u>Carrying Cost Rate(A)</u>	<u>Carrying Cost Portion</u>
ESRP Revenues			
Month			
January 2010	\$ 849,588	1.32%	\$ 11,215
February	744,090	1.32%	\$ 9,822
March	712,047	1.32%	\$ 9,399
April	675,265	1.32%	\$ 8,914
May	652,126	1.32%	\$ 8,608
June	865,262	1.32%	\$ 11,421
July	1,002,242	1.32%	\$ 13,230
August	1,043,926	1.32%	\$ 13,780
September	1,121,479	5.95%	\$ 66,728
October	810,517	5.95%	\$ 48,226
November	768,708	5.95%	\$ 45,738
December	875,957	5.95%	\$ 52,119
Total ESRP Revenue	\$ 10,121,228		299,200

Revenues Related to Capital Based on Approved Rider 299,200

After-Tax Equity Portion of Return	5.25%	(B)
Approved Carrying Charge Rate	14.96%	(C)
Carrying Charge Rate Attributable to Approved Return	35.09%	
After-Tax Total ESRP Revenue Attributable to Equity Earnings	104,989	

Tax Rate 35.78%
Pre-Tax Total ESRP Revenue Attributable to Equity Earnings 163,483
 (After-Tax Equity Earnings / (1-Tax Rate))

(A) Ratio of Incremental capital revenue requirement to total incremental revenue requirement for 2010 based on prior year ratio and updated for the rate change in September 2010 approved in PUCO Case No. 10-163-EL-RDR. Calculated as follows:

	O&M	Capital	Total
Total 2010 Revenue Requirement	10,130,170	641,433	10,771,603
Allocated %	94.05%	5.95%	

(B) Approved Return Equity component in Exhibit PJN-11 of the ESP filing.

(C) Approved Carrying Charge in ESRP Rider Case No. 10-0155-EL-RDR

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Equity Return on gridSMART Investments
For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2010

<u>Month</u>	<u>Total Revenue</u>	<u>O&M</u>	<u>Carrying Cost Ratio</u>	<u>Carrying Cost Revenue</u>
January 2010	765,706	421,138	45% (A)	344,568
February	671,176	369,147	45%	302,029
March	641,756	352,966	45%	288,790
April	608,629	334,746	45%	273,883
May	587,758	323,267	45%	264,491
June	779,818	428,900	45%	350,918
July	903,279	496,803	45%	406,476
August	940,858	517,472	45%	423,386
September	535,714	214,286	60%	321,428
October	532,945	213,178	60%	319,767
November	528,129	211,252	60%	316,877
December	542,161	216,864	60%	325,297
Total	8,037,929	4,100,019		3,937,910
After-Tax Equity Portion of Return				5.25% (B)
Weighted Average Carrying Charge Rate				25.23% (C)
Carrying Charge Rate Attributable to Equity Return				19.98%
After-Tax Equity Earnings on gridSMART				786,794
Tax Rate				35.78%
Pre-Tax				1,225,154

(A) Ratio of incremental capital revenue requirement to total incremental revenue requirement for 2010 based prior year ratio and updated for the rate change in September 2010 approved in PUCO Case No. 10-164-EL-RDR. Calculated as follows:

	<u>O&M</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total 2010 Revenue Requirement	2,566,215	3,827,873	6,394,088
Allocated %	40%	60%	100%

(B) Approved Return, Equity component, in Exhibit PJN-11 of the ESP filing

(C)	<u>Capital Life</u>	<u>Approved Rate</u>	<u>Capital Investments</u>	<u>Weighted Average</u>	
	Capital - 5 Year Life	32.02% (D)	36,526 (A)	11,698	
	Capital - 7 Year Life	27.29% (D)	2,404,689 (A)	656,240	
	Capital - 15 Year Life	18.88% (D)	253,138 (A)	47,792	
	Capital - 30 Year Life	15.71% (D)	376,910 (A)	59,213	
			3,071,263	774,941	25.23%

(D) Approved Carrying Charge Rates based on filed compliance tariffs as Attachment B in Case No. 10-164-EL-RDR.

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Net Incremental POLR Revenues
For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2010

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	<u>CSP</u> Year Ended: December 31, 2010
POLR at ESP Rates	\$ 94,643,257
POLR at RSP Rates	<u>13,612,872</u>
Incremental POLR	81,030,385
Less: POLR Offset to Economic Development Rider	<u>6,156,554</u>
Net Incremental POLR	74,873,831
Tax Rate	<u>35.78%</u>
Tax	<u>\$ 26,789,857</u>
After-Tax Net Incremental POLR	<u><u>\$ 48,083,974</u></u>