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RE:

In the Matter of the Application of Columbus Southern Power Company

and Ohio Power Company to Update its gridSMART Riders,

Case No. 11-1353-EL-RDR

Dear Ms. See:

In response to the letter filed by Commission Staff in this docket on July 29, AEP Ohio appreciates the continued investigation of Commission Staff and their conclusion that incremental labor costs are properly recoverable through the Companies' gridMART rider. AEP Ohio continues to cooperate with Staff's ongoing investigation and respond to data requests, and along with Staff, looks forward to timely resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours.

Anne M. Vogel

Enclosures