

**BEFORE**  
**THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

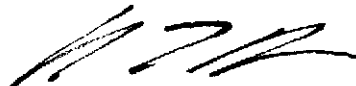
In the Matter of the Application of Columbus )	
Southern Power Company and Ohio Power )	
Company for Authority to Establish a Standard )	Case No. 11-346-EL-SSO
Service Offer Pursuant to Section 4928.143, )	Case No. 11-348-EL-SSO
Revised Code, in the Form of an Electric )	
Security Plan )	
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In the Matter of the Application of Columbus )	Case No. 11-349-EL-AAM
Southern Power Company and Ohio Power )	Case No. 11-350-EL-AAM
Company for Approval of Certain Accounting )	
Authority. )	

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**DIRECT TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF STIPULATION AND  
RECOMMENDATION OF C. TODD JONES ON BEHALF OF ASSOCIATION  
OF INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES OF OHIO**

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1 **I. INTRODUCTION**

2 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

3 A. My name is C. Todd Jones, and my business address is 41 South High Street,  
4 Suite 2424, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

5 **Q. Please describe your affiliation with the Association of Independent Colleges**  
6 **and Universities of Ohio ("AICUO").**

7 A. I currently serve as the President and the General Counsel for the AICUO. In my  
8 role as President and General Counsel, I am very much aware of the utility  
9 services being provided to the AICUO's member colleges, including the expenses  
10 associated with these services and any difficulties experienced by the colleges in  
11 service delivery. This includes the services being provided to AICUO member  
12 colleges by Columbus Southern Power ("AEP") and the Ohio Power Company  
13 ("OPC") (AEP and OPC collectively referred to herein as the "Companies").

14 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

15 A. The purpose of my testimony is to discuss my understanding and provide support  
16 for the Stipulation and Recommendation ("Stipulation") filed with the Public  
17 Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO") on September 7, 2011.

18 **Q. Is the AICUO a signatory party to the Stipulation, and if so, why did the**  
19 **AICUO sign the Stipulation?**

20 A. Yes, the AICUO is a signatory party. AICUO provided its legal counsel with the  
21 authority to sign the Stipulation because AICUO believes its needs, as reflected in  
22 my Direct Testimony filed with the Commission in this case, were given due

1 consideration by the Companies and in many instances were directly addressed by  
2 the Companies as part of the Stipulation.

3 **Q. How did the Companies, in the Stipulation, remedy your concerns with**  
4 **respect to rates?**

5 A. First and foremost, the Companies have made their rate structure much more  
6 transparent than what was submitted in their initial Standard Service Offer  
7 ("SSO") application. Definitive valuations have now been assigned to riders  
8 such that consumers from each customer class should now have a better  
9 understanding of the rates to be paid for the life of the Companies' SSO. Also,  
10 some of the riders that were previously non-bypassable in the original SSO  
11 application have now been made bypassable. This should result in savings to  
12 many consumers. Finally, the Companies are gravitating towards a model that  
13 will effectuate shopping, which will invariably allow AICUO member  
14 colleges to shop more effectively for the best possible rates.

15 **Q. Does the Stipulation address your prior concerns about the Companies'**  
16 **support of alternative energy endeavors?**

17 A. Yes. The Companies have committed to supporting the AICUO and its  
18 member colleges in alternative energy initiatives through the Stipulation.  
19 Specifically, the Companies have committed to the AICUO \$50,000.00 per  
20 year over the next three years from the Ohio Growth Fund (as established by  
21 the SSO) in order to fund scholarships and alternative energy upgrades on  
22 AICUO member campuses. Our colleges' student populations are becoming  
23 increasingly more conscientious about cleaner and more "green" energy

1           initiatives.   The Companies, through the Stipulation, have given due  
2           consideration to these alternative energy concerns.

3   **Q:   Thank you Mr. Jones. Does this conclude your testimony?**

4   **A:   Yes.**

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing Direct Testimony was served upon the parties of record listed below this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2011 via electronic mail.



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