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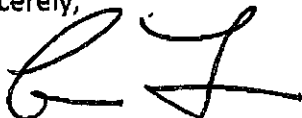
RE: Case No. 11-346-EL-SSO

Dear Ms. McCauley:

Enclosed please find a letter I sent to the editor of the Columbus Dispatch concerning the Columbus Southern Power \ Ohio Power Electric Security Plan case. The letter was published in the Columbus Dispatch on Sept. 25, 2011. I request that the letter be placed in the above styled docket.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,



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**Columbus Dispatch**  
**PUCO should agree with AEP settlement**  
**Sept. 25, 2011**

*The Dispatch* is to be commended for its comprehensive look at the pending settlement in the American Electric Power Ohio rate case ("Static rate not among AEP concessions," Sunday). The article did an excellent job of tackling a complex subject and making it understandable for readers.

Of course, not everyone supports all aspects of the proposed settlement, but that rarely occurs in such cases. What is notable is that the settlement is receiving broad and widespread support from more than 20 parties, including AEP Ohio, the staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, the Ohio Energy Group, the Ohio Hospital Association, manufacturing groups, environmental groups and local communities.

As an executive of a small business, I support the settlement, too. It creates a competitive market approach that will protect customers' ability to choose their electricity supplier and provide them with the opportunity to save money.

While it's not perfect, the pending settlement would allow electricity suppliers to grow their Ohio operations while attracting new ones to the market, plus foster business investment, job growth, customer choice and innovation in Ohio's energy market.

Approval of the settlement by the PUCO will be a step forward for all Ohioans at a critical point for the state.

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