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MADISON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
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October 11, 2011

Chairman Todd A. Snitchler
 180 E. Broad Street
 Columbus, OH 43215

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Dear Chairman Snitchler:

Madison Township is in AEP Ohio's service area. As a community who has the opportunity to provide its residents and small businesses with discounted electricity through a governmental aggregation program, we are genuinely concerned that the proposed settlement on AEP's Electric Security Plan (ESP) will effectively bring this type of discount program to an end for the next few years.

The proposed settlement includes unreasonable provisions which serve as caps or limitations on shopping and will limit the number of residents allowed to switch electric suppliers each year. Once this cap is hit, our community - and others like ours - will be effectively shut out from enjoying any savings. Hundreds of other Ohio communities in neighboring utilities are receiving savings through their aggregation programs. Why are we being penalized for being AEP customers? And why should AEP be able to dictate which groups of residents and businesses are allowed to save money on their electric bills?

It is the policy of this state to ensure effective competition in the provision of electric service - 4928.02 of the Ohio Revised Code - and it is the PUCO's mission to facilitate an environment that provides competitive choices. We ask that you encourage large-scale governmental aggregation as required by Ohio law - 4928.20(K) - by rejecting or significantly altering this settlement agreement to remove the caps. However, if the shopping caps are going to be implemented, we propose that governmental aggregation communities be exempted from the caps.

The reason our community has the potential for saving money on our electric generation supply is because a competitive generation supplier is competing for our business. It's apparent that AEP is attempting to prevent competitive suppliers from serving the customers in their service area. And if they are successful, the people and businesses in communities like Madison Township will miss out on these savings. Other communities in Ohio have this opportunity to save and so should we.

Sincerely,

Board of Trustees of Madison Township

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Cc: All Trustees
 Tyc/s

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RESOLUTION NUMBER: #07 - 2011

Trustees of Madison Township met in Regular session at the Township Hall at 6:00pm.. on Tuesday, October 11, 2011. Chairman Roger W. Walker presided.

ROLL CALL

Roger W. Walker, Chairman

Gary L. Williams, Vice Chairman

Milton D. Cook, Trustee

Tiffany Y. Chetock, Fiscal

Officer

All elected officials were present.

A motion was made by Trustee Williams, seconded by Trustee Cook with a roll call vote hearing all trustees voting "aye" to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #07 - 2011

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE SHOPPING CAPS PROPOSED IN AEP OHIO'S ELECTRIC SECURITY PLAN
AND URGING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO TO MAINTAIN THE BENEFITS PROVIDED BY
COMPETITIVE MARKETS FOR RETAIL ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICE**

WHEREAS, the residents and businesses in the Township of Madison are electric distribution customers of American Electric Power (AEP) Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Ohio law permits local communities to bring their citizens and small businesses together to buy electricity as a group and negotiate the terms, conditions and price of the electric supply on the group's behalf, which typically provides lower electric rates than what each member of the group would be able to obtain individually; and


WHEREAS, the Township of Madison has placed electric aggregation on the ballot for November 8, 2011; and

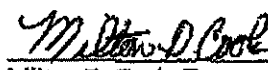
WHEREAS, AEP Ohio has filed a Stipulation and Recommendation as a proposed settlement of its Electric Security Plan (ESP) which includes provisions that effectively serve as a shopping cap and would effectively prevent the members of our community from benefiting from a lower electric rate by switching to a competitive supplier in 2012, and possibly through mid-2015;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That this Board of Madison Township Trustees request that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio encourage large-scale governmental aggregation consistent with Ohio law 4928.20(K) by rejecting or significantly altering the terms of the Stipulation to remove the caps, or at least to exempt governmental aggregation communities from the caps.

Adopted this 11th day of October, 2011


Roger W. Walker, Trustee Chairman


Gary L. Williams, Trustee Vice-Chairman


Milton D. Cook, Trustee


Attest: Tiffany Y. Chetock, Fiscal Officer