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To Whom It May Concern,

On Wednesday, October 26, 2011 the Marietta City Council held a Special Council Meeting to unanimously adopt Resolution No. 119 (10-11). The Council is requesting that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) reject the American Electric Power Electric Security Plan as it is written and allow customers freedom to select suppliers unencumbered by switching caps or postdated queues, regardless of the means of their implementation.

It is the wishes of this Council that all residents and future residents of the city of Marietta have the option to choose electric aggregation and, therefore, are in opposition of the AEP ESP.

Sincerely

Paul Bertram, III President of Council

Enclosure

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RESOLUTION NO. 119 (10-11)

A Resolution to express the opposition of the Council of the City of Marietta, Ohio, to the capping of electric switching rates by American Electric Power in the City of Marietta, Ohio.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly enacted Am. Sub. Senate Bill No. 3 in 2000 which authorized the legislative authorities of municipal corporations, townships and counties to aggregate the retail electrical loads located in their respective jurisdictions and to enter into service agreements to facilitate the purchase and sale of electricity for those loads; and,

WHEREAS, Governmental aggregation provides an opportunity for residential and small business customers to participate collectively in the potential benefits of electric deregulation through lower electric rates than they would otherwise be able to obtain individually; and,

WHEREAS, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) encourages and promotes largescale aggregation as required by law in Ohio Revised Code Section 4928.20(K); and,

WHEREAS, the City of Marietta, Ohio, placed the issue of electric aggregation on the May, 2011, ballot; and,

WHEREAS, American Electric Power (AEP) has filed a proposed settlement of the AEP Electric Security Plan (ESP), which includes caps on the amount of electric load that will be entitled to buy capacity at the rates set by the PJM Reliability Pricing Model; and,

WHEREAS, the above-market pricing for all capacity above the caps creates a postdated "firstcome-first-served" switching queue which will effectively prevent City residents from enrolling in the aggregation program; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARIETTA, OHIO:

Section 1: That this Council shall and does hereby express its strenuous opposition to the capping of electric switching rates by American Electric Power for customers in the City of Marietta, Ohio.

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- Section 2: That the Clerk of Council shall be and is hereby authorized and directed to serve copies of this Resolution upon the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, American Electric Power and the Ohio Consumer Counsel with an appropriate cover letter expressing this Council's request that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio reject the AEP ESP as written and allow customers the freedom to select suppliers unencumbered by switching caps or postdated sign-up queues, regardless of the means of their implementation
- Section 2: That this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

Introduced by the Special Utilities Committee, Michael M. McCauley, Chairman.

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