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**BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

**In the Matter of the Application of )  
Columbus Southern Power Company and )  
Ohio Power Company, Individually and, if )  
Their Proposed Merger is Approved, as a )  
Merged Company (collectively, AEP Ohio) )  
for an Increase in Electric Distribution Rates )**

**Case No. 11-351-EL-AIR  
Case No. 11-352-EL-AIR**

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Columbus Southern Power Company and )  
Ohio Power Company, Individually and, if )  
Their Proposed Merger is Approved, as a )  
Merged Company (collectively AEP Ohio) )  
for Tariff Approval )**

**Case No. 11-353-EL-ATA  
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Columbus Southern Power Company and )  
Ohio Power Company, Individually and, if )  
Their Proposed Merger is Approved, as a )  
Merged Company (collectively AEP Ohio) )  
for Approval to Change Accounting Methods )**

**Case No. 11-356-EL-AAM  
Case No. 11-358-EL-AAM**

**JOINT MOTION OF THE STAFF OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO, COLUMBUS SOUTHERN POWER COMPANY AND OHIO POWER COMPANY FOR A SCHEDULING CHANGE AND REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT**

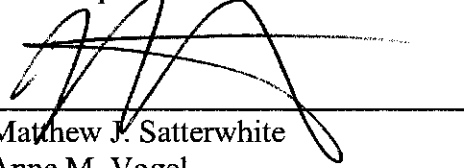
Pursuant to Rule 4901-1-12, Ohio Admin. Code, Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company ("AEP Ohio") and the Commission Staff, move for an amendment to the expected structure of the procedural schedule. Due to the short timeframe, the Parties seek an immediate ruling under Ohio Adm. Code 4901 -1 -12(C). The Parties filing this motion discussed this proposal with all participants at a settlement conference today and heard no opposition.

The Attorney Examiner previously set the hearing for November 14, 2011 and the Staff testimony prior to that date. In the hope of pursuing the settlement path currently being explored the moving parties respectfully request that the Commission treat the hearing on November 14,

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### **Memorandum In Support**

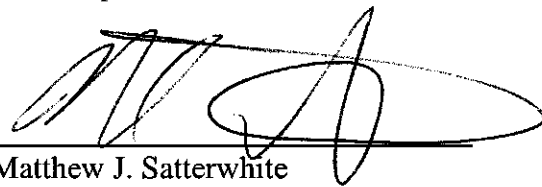
Pursuant to Rule 4901-1-12, Ohio Admin. Code, Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company (“AEP Ohio”) and the Commission Staff (collectively “Moving Parties”), move for an amendment to the procedural schedule.

As stated above, the Attorney Examiner previously set the hearing for November 14, 2011 and the Staff testimony prior to that date. In the hope of pursuing the settlement path currently being explored the moving parties respectfully request that the Commission treat the hearing on November 14, 2011 as a call and continue, so that parties can make appearances and then adjourn to finalize any settlement possibilities. The moving parties would propose that the evidentiary portion of the hearing then restart later in the week on the Wednesday November 16, 2011. The request was discussed in a

settlement conference today with many of the parties to the case present. Staff and the Companies committed to contact the Examiners on the group's behalf and seek this short delay. This delay will allow the Parties an opportunity to discuss the matters in more detail.

The Parties filed the motion seeking an immediate ruling under Ohio Adm. Code 4901 -1 -12(C). Due to the short timeframe, the Parties seek an immediate ruling to stay adjust the expectations in the schedule. The request will be served by regular postage as well as electronically to provide more timely notice to any party that chose not to attend the settlement conference.

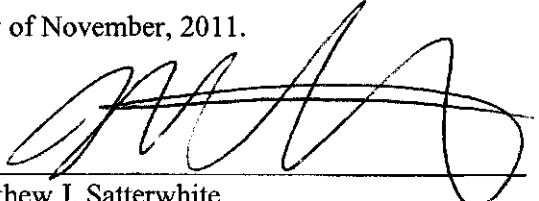
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The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Joint Motion For an Amendment of the Procedural Schedule has been served upon the below-named counsel via traditional and electronic mail this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011.

  
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