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             BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
                         STATE OF OHIO
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     In the Matter of the
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    Application of Columbus
     Southern Power Company
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    and Ohio Power Company,
     Individually and, if
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     Their Proposed Merger is : Case No. 11-351-EL-AIR
    Approved, as a Merged
                            : Case No. 11-352-EL-AIR
    Company (collectively AEP:
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    Ohio) for an Increase in
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    Electric Distribution
    Rates.
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     In the Matter of the
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    Application of Columbus
     Southern Power Company
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     and Ohio Power Company,
     Individually and, if
                              : Case No. 11-353-EL-ATA
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    Their Proposed Merger is : Case No. 11-354-EL-ATA
    Approved, as a Merged
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    Company (collectively AEP:
    Ohio) for Tariff Approval.:
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     In the Matter of the
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    Application of Columbus
     Southern Power Company
    and Ohio Power Company,
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                              : Case No. 11-356-EL-AAM
     Individually and, if
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     Their Proposed Merger is : Case No. 11-358-EL-AAM
    Approved, as a Merged
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    Company (collectively AEP:
    Ohio) for Approval to
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     Change Accounting Methods .:
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    before Mr. Gregory A. Price and Ms. Mandy Wiley,
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    Hearing Examiners, at the Public Utilities Commission
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    of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Room 11-A, Columbus,
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    Ohio, called at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 17,
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     2011.
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Thursday Morning Session,
November 17, 2011.

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EXAMINER PRICE: Let's go on the record.

Good morning. The Public Utilities Commission has set for hearing at this time and place case numbers 11-351-EL-AIR, et al., being In the Matter of the Application of Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company Individually and, if the Proposed Merger is Approved, as a Merged Company (collectively AEP Ohio) for an Increase in Electric Distribution Rates.

My name is Gregory Price. With me is

Mandy Wiley. We are the attorney examiners assigned
to preside over today's hearing. We'll dispense with
appearances.

Mr. Margard, do you have an update for the Bench?

MR. MARGARD: I do, your Honor. Thank you.

I have been authorized by the parties to represent that an agreement in principle has been reached. That agreement has not yet been reduced to writing. The parties are currently negotiating the terms of the stipulation. We anticipate being able

to file a stipulation in short order that will either be agreed to by all parties or at least not opposed by any party.

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I cannot tell you for certain when that stipulation will be finalized although we expect to have it within a matter of days and the parties would, therefore, respectfully request a continuance to allow them to finalize the stipulation and to be able to prepare and file testimony in support of that stipulation.

ahead and grant the motion for a continuance. We will continue today's hearing until November 29th at 10 o'clock. If there is a stipulation reached by the parties, the parties should file it by noon on November 28th along with any supporting testimony. If for some reason the stipulation is not ultimately reached, the parties should be prepared to move forward with their witnesses at 10 o'clock on November 29th.

Anything else for the Bench? (No response.)

EXAMINER PRICE: Seeing none. We are done. Thank you.

(The hearing adjourned at 9:08 a.m.)

CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on Thursday, November 17, 2011, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes.

Maria DiPaolo Jones, Registered Diplomate Reporter and CRR and Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio.

My commission expires June 19, 2016.

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