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RE: Ohio Schools' Opposition to American Electric Power Company's Electric Security Plan; PUCO Case No. 11-346-EL-SSO

Dear Chairman Snitchler and Commissioners:

I write on behalf of the Wellsville Local School District to urge you to reject or modify American Electric Power's application for an electric security plan. As you likely are aware, Ohio's public primary and secondary schools have undergone devastating funding cuts at the state and federal levels for the current biennium. In fact, total funding losses over the 2012-2013 biennium will mean that Ohio school districts will receive about \$2.8 billion less in total state and federal funds over the two-year period than they would have received under a continuation of fiscal year 2011 funding levels. These funding cuts have caused our district to reduce staffing levels (both teaching and non-teaching positions), and decrease funding for necessary material and equipment. We fear that increases to our already sizeable electric bills will lead to more staff reductions and compromise our ability to provide students with a quality education.

We believe it is unreasonable that AEP is attempting to implement a capacity charge that is more than fifteen times the current market-based charge; is proposing to discount that charge to competitive retail electric service providers; and is asking all of its customers (including the schools) to pay a Retail Stability Rider to compensate it for the discount. We're aware that AEP is in the process of transitioning to a competitive market, but Ohio's schools should not be placed in a position to "bail out" AEP during the three-year transition period, especially during a time when the schools' own limited taxpayer resources have been so dramatically cut. We simply can't afford it.

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> RE: Ohio Schools' Opposition to American Electric Power Company's Electric Security Plan; PUCO Case No. 11-346-EL-SSO

Dear Chairman Snitchler and Commissioners:

I write on behalf of the Spencerville Local School District to urge you to reject or modify American Electric Power's application for an electric security plan. As you likely are aware, Ohio's public primary and secondary schools have undergone devastating funding cuts at the state and federal levels for the current biennium. In fact, total funding losses over the 2012-2013 biennium will mean that Ohio school districts will receive about \$2.8 billion less in total state and federal funds over the two-year period than they would have received under a continuation of fiscal year 2011 funding levels. These funding cuts have caused our district to reduce staffing levels (both teaching and non-teaching positions), and decrease funding for necessary material and equipment. We fear that increases to our already sizeable electric bills will lead to more staff reductions and compromise our ability to provide students with a quality education.

We believe it is unreasonable that AEP is attempting to implement a capacity charge that is more than fifteen times the current market-based charge; is proposing to discount that charge to competitive retail electric service providers; and is asking all of its customers (including the schools) to pay a Retail Stability Rider to compensate it for the discount. We're aware that AEP is in the process of transitioning to a competitive market, but Ohio's schools should not be placed in a position to "bail out" AEP during the three-year transition period, especially during a time when the schools' own limited taxpayer resources have been so dramatically cut. We simply can't afford it.

Very truly yours

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Dear Chairman Snitchler and Commissioners:

I'm writing on behalf of the Trumbull Career and Technical Center School District to ask you to reject or modify American Electric Power's application for an electric security plan. As know, Ohio's public schools have undergone devastating funding cuts at the state and federal levels for the current and past bienniums. Total funding losses over the 2012-2013 biennium, alone, will mean that Ohio school districts will receive about \$2.8 billion less in state and federal funds over the two-year period than they would have received under a continuation of fiscal year 2011 funding levels, which were also decreased. These funding cuts have caused our district to reduce staffing levels by five positions for 2012-13, cut three programs, and decrease funding for necessary materials, supplies, and equipment. Increases to our already sizeable electric bills will almost certainly lead to more staff reductions and compromise our ability to provide students with a quality education.

We at TCTC believe it is unreasonable that AEP is attempting to implement a capacity charge that is more than fifteen times the current market-based charge; is proposing to discount that charge to competitive retail electric service providers; and is asking all of its customers (including the schools) to pay a Retail Stability Rider to compensate it for the discount. We're aware that AEP is in the process of transitioning to a competitive market, but Ohio's schools should not be placed in a position to "bail out" AEP during the three-year transition period, especially during a time when the schools' own limited taxpayer resources have been so dramatically cut. TCTC is already committed to a ballot issue in November of 2014. We simply can't afford it.

Very truly yours,

Wayne McClain, Superintendent

Gary Ghizzoni, Treasurer

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