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Barcy F. McNeal Docketing Division Chief Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus Ohio 43215-3793

> Re: In the Matter of the Application of Ohio Power Company to Amend its Pole Attachment Tariff, Case No.15-974-EL-ATA

## Steven T. Nourse

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Dear Ms. McNeal:

Ohio Power Company (AEP Ohio) submitted its Application to amend its pole attachment tariff in this docket on May 15, 2015, pursuant to the Commission's directives in Case No. 13-579-AU-ORD. Subsequently, Staff inquired with the Company about why no rate was included for conduit occupancy. AEP Ohio would like to supplement its Application in this case with a statement as to why no conduit occupancy rate was included.

No other utility or provider currently occupies any of AEP Ohio's conduit space. If there were a request to do so, the Company would likely have safety and capacity concerns with pursuing such a request. But there are no pending requests at this time and the Company has not denied any historical requests to date. Further, the underlying information needed to calculate the conduit occupancy rate is not readily available and it would take considerable analysis in order to develop the rate. In light of those facts, the Company has not attempted to calculate a conduit occupancy rate. Should the need arise in the future, however, the Company will pursue resolution of the issue presented at that time.

Please advise if additional information or action is needed by AEP Ohio. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

//s/Steve T. Nourse

cc: Mick Twiss, Utility Specialist

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