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In re: Case No. 05-376-EL-UNC

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please find enclosed an original and twelve (12) copies of the Motion to Intervene and Memorandum in Support of The Ohio Energy Group filed in the above-referenced matter.

Copies have been served on all parties on the attached certificate of service. Please place this document of file.

Respectfully yours,



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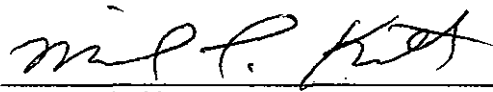
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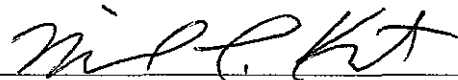
**BEFORE THE
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OHIO**

**In The Matter Of The Application Of Columbus Southern Power :
Company and Ohio Power Company for Authority to Recover Costs : Docket No. 05-376-EL-UNC
Associated with the Construction and Ultimate Operation of an :
Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle Electric Generating Facility:**

**MOTION TO INTERVENTION OF THE
THE OHIO ENERGY GROUP**

Pursuant to the Ohio Rev. Code §4903.22.1 and Ohio Admin. Code §4901-1-11, the Ohio Energy Group (“OEG”) moves for leave to intervene in this proceeding. The Public Utility Commission of Ohio (“Commission”) should grant OEG leave to intervene because OEG has a real and substantial interest in the proceeding, and the Commission’s disposition of this proceeding may impair or impede OEG’s ability to protect that interest.

Respectfully submitted,



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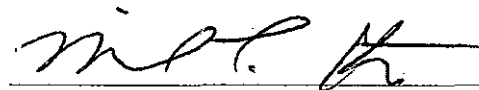
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**MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF
THE OHIO ENERGY GROUP'S
MOTION TO INTERVENE**

Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code §4903.22.1 and Ohio Admin. Code §4901-1-11, the Ohio Energy Group (OEG) files this Memorandum in Support of Motion to Intervene.

OEG is a non-profit entity organized to represent the interests of large industrial and commercial customers in electric and gas regulatory proceedings before the Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("Commission"). OEG's members who are participating in this intervention are: AK Steel, DaimlerChrysler Corporation, Ford Motor Company, GE Transportation, Griffin Wheel, International Steel Group Inc., PPG Industries, Inc. and The Proctor & Gamble Co. These companies purchase large amounts of electric power services from Columbus Southern Power and Ohio Power Company. Therefore, the interests of OEG's members may be directly affected by the outcome of this proceeding. The interests of OEG cannot be adequately represented by any other party. OEG intends to play a constructive role in this case and provide information which will assist the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,



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