COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN EXAMINATION OF THE APPLICATION OF)	
THE FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF)	CASE NO.
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY FROM)	2003-00453
MAY 1, 2003 TO OCTOBER 31, 2003	ĺ	

COMMISSION STAFF'S INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY

Pursuant to Administrative Regulation 807 KAR 5:001, Commission Staff requests that American Electric Power Company ("AEP") file the original and 4 copies of the following information with the Commission within 14 days of the date of this request, with a copy to all parties of record. Each copy of the information requested should be placed in a bound volume with each item tabbed. When a number of sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed, for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Include with each response the name of the witness who will be responsible for responding to questions relating to the information provided. Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure its legibility. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When applicable, the requested information should be provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations, separately.

Refer to AEP's response to Item 1 of the Commission's December 19,
 Order. The Beechfork Processing coal purchase is shown as an extended term spot contract. In AEP's response to Item 6, the Beechfork Processing purchase is

shown to be 19 months in duration. Explain the difference between an extended term

spot purchase (over 12 months in duration) and a contract purchase. In the

explanation, describe any advantages or disadvantages either type of purchase has

over the other.

2. Refer to AEP's response to Item 5 of the Commission's December 19,

2003 Order. Big Sandy Unit No. 2 experienced 423 hours of forced outages during the

review period. Explain whether the 224 hours of scheduled maintenance in October

was undertaken primarily to address the forced outages and, if so, comment on the

effectiveness of that maintenance in reducing forced outages since October.

3. Refer to AEP's response to Item 13 of the Commission's December 19,

2003 Order. AEP states that a new coal inventory policy was implemented in

September 2003 that updates the pertinent discussion within its coal procurement

manual.

a. Explain whether AEP plans to update its coal procurement manual

due to its implementation of the coal inventory policy. If AEP does not plan to update

the coal procurement manual, explain why.

b. Provide a copy of the new coal inventory policy. If no written policy

exists, provide a narrative description of the new policy that compares it with the

previous inventory policy.

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