

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

August 30, 2010

Michael G. Morris Chief Executive Officer American Electric Power Company, Inc. Appalachian Power Company Ohio Power Company 1 Riverside Plaza Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: American Electric Power Company, Inc.

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009

Filed February 26, 2010

**Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A** 

Filed March 15, 2010 File No. 001-03525

Appalachian Power Company
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009
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Definitive Information Statement on Schedule 14A
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File No. 001-03457

Ohio Power Company
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009
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Columbus Southern Power Company Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009 Filed February 26, 2010 File No. 001-06543

Indiana Michigan Power Company Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009 Filed February 26, 2010 File No. 001-06543 Michael G. Morris American Electric Power Company, Inc. August 30, 2010 Page 2

> Public Service Company of Oklahoma Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009 Filed February 26, 2010 File No. 001-06543

> Southwestern Electric Power Company Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009 Filed February 26, 2010 File No. 001-06543

Dear Mr. Morris:

We have completed our review of your filings and do not have any further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

H. Christopher Owings Assistant Director