## MASTER SSO SUPPLY AGREEMENT

This Master SSO Supply Agreement ("Agreement"), dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 201\_\_\_ ("Effective Date"), is by and between Ohio Power Company, an Ohio corporation with offices at 1 Riverside Plaza, Columbus, Ohio ("AEP Ohio") and each of the suppliers listed on Attachment A severally, but not jointly, (each an "SSO Supplier" and collectively "SSO Suppliers"). AEP Ohio and each SSO Supplier are hereinafter referred to individually as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties").

## RECITALS

**WHEREAS,** AEP Ohio is an Ohio public utility that engages, <u>inter</u> <u>alia</u>, in providing Standard Service Offer supply within its service territory; and

**WHEREAS,** the PUCO found that it would serve the public interest for AEP Ohio to secure SSO Supply through a competitive bidding process; and

WHEREAS, each SSO Supplier was one of the winning bidders in a Solicitation for SSO Supply; and

**WHEREAS,** the PUCO has authorized AEP Ohio to contract with winning bidders for SSO Supply to serve SSO Load in accordance with the terms of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the PUCO subsequently ordered that "PIPP Customers" (as defined herein) be removed from taking service as an "SSO Customer" (as defined herein) under this Agreement, so modifications to this Agreement have been made to exclude the PIPP Customers consistent with the PUCO order; and

WHEREAS, AEP Ohio shall be responsible for the provision of any renewable energy resource requirement as set forth in Ohio Rev. Code Ann. Sections 4928.64 and 4928.65 and regulations promulgated in respect thereto; and

WHEREAS, each SSO Supplier will satisfy its Capacity obligations under the PJM Agreements associated with its respective SSO Supplier Responsibility Share in accordance with the PJM Agreements, including, without limitation, through participation in the base residual

leases which shall have been or should be, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, recorded as capital leases in respect of which such Party is liable as lessee, (v) the face amount of all outstanding letters of credit issued for the account of such Party (other than letters of credit relating to indebtedness included in indebtedness of such Party pursuant to another clause of this definition) and, without duplication, the unreimbursed amount of all drafts drawn thereunder, (vi) indebtedness secured by any lien on property or assets of such Party, whether or not assumed (but in any event not exceeding the fair market value of the property or asset), (vii) all direct guarantees of indebtedness referred to above of another Party, (viii) all amounts payable in connection with mandatory redemptions or repurchases of preferred stock or member interests or

other preferred or priority equity interests and (ix) any obligations of such Party (in the nature of principal or interest) in respect of acceptances or similar obligations issued or created for the account of such Party.

"<u>SSO Customers</u>" means Residential Customers, <u>PIPP Customers</u>, Commercial/Industrial Customers, Lighting Customers, Special Contract Customers, and any other Customer taking retail generation service from AEP Ohio<sub>7</sub>, <u>but excluding PIPP Customers</u>.

"SSO Load" means the full electricity requirements for SSO Service of SSO Customers.

"SSO Service" means Standard Service Offer service that is not provided by a CRES Supplier.

"<u>SSO Supplier</u>" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.

"<u>SSO Supplier Responsibility Share</u>" means, for each SSO Supplier, the fixed percentage share of the SSO Load for which the SSO Supplier is responsible as set forth in Attachment A.

"<u>SSO Supply</u>" means unbundled Energy, Capacity and Ancillary Services, including, to the extent not expressly assumed by AEP Ohio pursuant to Section 3.2, all transmission and distribution losses and congestion and imbalance costs associated with the provision of such services, as measured and reported to PJM, and such other services or products that an SSO Supplier may be required to provide, by PJM or other Governmental Authority, in order to meet the requirements of SSO Service.

<u>"Standard Service Offer</u>" means a market-based standard service offer provided by AEP Ohio under PUCO tariffs of all competitive retail electric services necessary to maintain essential electric service to Customers, including Energy, Capacity, Ancillary Services and Firm Transmission Service, including all transmission and distribution losses, congestion and imbalance costs associated with the provision of the foregoing services, other obligations or responsibilities currently imposed or that may be imposed by PJM, and such other services or products that are provided by a CRES Supplier to fulfill its obligations to serve customer load, as required by Section 4928.141 of the Ohio Revised Code.

"<u>Tangible Net Worth</u>" or "<u>TNW</u>" means total assets less intangible assets and total liabilities. Intangible assets include benefits such as goodwill, patents, copyrights and trademarks, each as would be reflected on a balance sheet prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.