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FINAL CRITICAL PATH PERMIT ISSUED FOR AMPGS FACILITY

(COLUMBUS) The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has issued the 404 Permit for the American Municipal Power Generating Station (AMPGS) project. This is the final critical path permit for the approximately 1,000 MW project under development in Meigs County, Ohio.

Section 404 of the Federal Clean Water Act regulates the discharge of dredged, excavated, or fill material in wetlands, streams, rivers, and other U.S. waters. The Corps of Engineers is the federal agency authorized to issue Section 404 Permits for certain activities conducted in wetlands or other U.S. waters. American Municipal Power-Ohio (AMP-Ohio) applied for the permit in May 2007. The permit could not move forward until a 401 Water Quality Certification was issued by the Ohio EPA, which was received in final form in January of this year.

“The AMPGS project continues to move forward,” AMP-Ohio Sr. Vice President of Member Services and External Affairs Jolene Thompson said. “This advanced coal generation project has received strong support from local and state officials and has been recognized by the State of Ohio for its state-of-the-art emissions control technology. While hurdles remain, the issuance of this final critical path permit is another important step forward to initiate construction.”

The AMPGS facility, which includes the first large-scale, commercial deployment of Powerspan ECO SO₂ technology, will be the cleanest facility of its type in the region and one of the cleanest in the country. It is being designed for the possibility of carbon capture in the future and Powerspan’s carbon capture technology is currently being tested as a commercial pilot at FirstEnergy’s R.E. Burger Plant in Shadyside, Ohio.

The AMPGS project is part of a significant generation asset development effort being undertaken by AMP-Ohio and its member communities. In addition to fossil fuel development, AMP-Ohio is developing over 380 MW of run-of-the-river hydroelectric generation on five existing dams in the Ohio River. This is the largest run-of-the-river hydroelectric development currently underway in the country.

The AMPGS project is expected to begin construction in the fourth quarter 2009 or first quarter 2010 and to begin commercial operation in 2014.

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About AMP-Ohio – *AMP-Ohio is the Columbus, Ohio-based nonprofit wholesale power supplier and services provider for 128 member municipal electric systems in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Virginia, Kentucky and West Virginia. The organization provides a diverse mix in its wholesale generation resources, which in addition to fossil fuel, includes wind, hydroelectric, landfill gas and distributed generation.*
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