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SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Akins Nicholas K

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER

CO INC [AEP]

(Check all applicable)

President, CEO

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER, 1 02/19/2018 RIVERSIDE PLAZA

(Middle)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

COLUMBUS, OH 43215

(State) (Zip) (City) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially Owned (I) Following

(D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

Indirect

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of Derivative

Conversion

5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactiorDerivative **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of 8. 1 Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed or (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/	Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	(
				Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (1)	02/19/2018		A	28,899	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	28,899	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Akins Nicholas K AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER 1 RIVERSIDE PLAZA COLUMBUS, OH 43215

President, CEO

Signatures

/s/ Thomas G. Berkemeyer, Attorney-in-Fact for Nicholas K. Akins

02/21/2018

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**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive AEP common stock upon vesting.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest in three equal installments on May 1, 2019, May 1, 2020 and May 1, 2021

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