AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER CO INC Form 35-CERT January 29, 2004

> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

In the Matter of	:
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY, INC. Columbus, Ohio 43215	: CERTIFICATE : OF : NOTIFICATION
(70-5943)	:
PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935	5 :

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that, in accordance with the terms and conditions of and for the purposes represented by the declaration, as amended, of American Electric Power Company, Inc. (the "Company") in the above-captioned file and the orders of the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect thereto (HCAR No. 19879, dated February 8, 1977; HCAR No. 19992, dated April 19, 1977; HCAR No. 20111, dated October 14, 1977; HCAR No. 20506, dated April 19, 1978; HCAR No. 20979, dated March 29, 1979; HCAR No. 21180, dated August 8, 1979; HCAR No. 21544, dated May 1, 1980; HCAR No. 22113, dated June 30, 1981; HCAR No. 22539, dated June 15, 1982; HCAR No. 22989, dated June 29, 1983; HCAR No. 23353, dated June 29, 1984; HCAR No. 23538, dated December 19, 1984; HCAR No. 23754, dated October 1, 1985; HCAR No. 23980, dated January 3, 1986; HCAR No. 24534, dated December 18, 1987; HCAR No. 25233, dated December 27, 1990; HCAR No. 25936, dated December 1, 1993; HCAR No. 26516 dated May 10, 1996; HCAR No. 26553, dated August 13, 1996; HCAR No. 27186, dated June 14, 2000 in file 70-9381; and HCAR No. 27258, dated December 19, 2000) during the period from October 1, 2003, through December 31, 2003, the Company issued a total of -O- shares of its Common Stock, \$6.50 par value ("Common Stock"), to Stanley & Co. [a nominee of EquiServe Trust Company, N.A. ("EquiServe")], at a total purchase price of \$-0-, for the accounts of participants in the Company's Dividend Reinvestment and Direct Stock Purchase Plan (the "Plan"). During such period, EquiServe, as Agent under the Plan, purchased on the open market for the accounts of participants a total of 357,769 shares of the Company's Common Stock, at a total purchase price of \$10,133,724.08. These transactions are set forth in more detail in the attached Schedule I, incorporated herein by reference.

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY, INC.

By: ____/s/ Wendy G. Hargus_____ Assistant Treasurer

Dated: January 28, 2004

SCHEDULE I to CERTIFICATE OF NOTIFICATION (#70-5943) of AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY, INC. For the Period October 1 - December 31, 2003

TRANSACTIONS THIS PERIOD:

- ORIGINAL ISSUE SHARES -

PERIOD TOTAL O/I PURCHASE	SHARES ISSUED -0-	PRICE PER SHARE	TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE \$-0-
	- OPEN MARKET	PURCHASES -	
	ARES AVERAGE	PRICE TOTAL	
DATE	PURCHASED	PER SHARE	PURCHASE PRICE
10/07/03	7,644	29.605	226,301.73
10/14/03	4,939	29.634	146,362.33
10/21/03	6,267	29.680	186,004.56
10/28/03	3,925	28.670	112,529.75
11/04/03	14,445	28.171	406,930.10
11/11/03	3,727	27.144	101,165.69
11/18/03	5,390	27.161	146,397.79
11/25/03	6,161	27.597	170,027.48
12/02/03	8,006	27.943	223,708.00
12/05/03	35,000	28.412	994,420.00
12/08/03	35,000	28.133	984,655.00
12/09/03	36,000	28.023	1,008,828.00
12/09/03	4,858	27.900	135,538.20
12/10/03	45,248	28.026	1,268,120.45
12/11/03	45,000	28.317	1,274,265.00
12/12/03	42,000	28.388	1,192,296.00
12/15/03	41,611	28.486	1,185,330.95
12/16/03	6,487	28.848	187,136.89
12/23/03	2,172	30.120	65,420.64
12/30/03	3,889	30.415	118,285.52
TOTAL O/M PURCHASE	257 760		
	357,769		\$10,466,724.08
- TOTAL ACTIVITY THIS PERIOD -			
SHARES PURCHASED TOTAL			

	SHARES PURCHASED	TOTAL
		PURCHASE PRICE
0/I Shares	-0-	\$ -0-
O/M Purchases	357,769	\$10,466,724.08
TOTAL ACTIVITY	357,769	\$10,466,724.08
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CUMULATIVE SUMMARY OF TRANSACTIONS:

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- ORIG	INAL ISSUE SHARES -	_
	SHARES ISSUED	TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE
Totals from last report Transactions this period	47,773,594 -0- 	\$1,008,340,148.37 -0-
Total Original Issue Shares	47,773,594	\$1,008,340,148.37

- OPEN MARKET PURCHASES -

	SHARES ISSUED	TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE
Totals from last report Transactions this period	28,133,922 357,769	\$885,859,745.17 \$10,133,724.08
Total Open Market Shares	28,491,691	\$895,993,469.25