

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY, INC.
POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CHARTER

I. PURPOSE

The Policy Committee (the “Committee”) shall be responsible for examining the Company’s policies on major public issues affecting the Company and its subsidiaries, including environmental, industry change and other matters, as well as established policies that affect the relationship of the Company and its subsidiaries to their service areas and the general public.

II. STRUCTURE AND OPERATIONS

Composition and Qualifications

The Committee shall be comprised of three or more members of the Board of Directors.

Appointment and Removal

The members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall serve until such member’s successor is duly elected and qualified or until such member’s earlier resignation or removal. The members of the Committee may be removed, with or without cause, by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Chair

The Chair shall be elected by the full Board of Directors. The Chair will chair all regular sessions of the Committee and set the agendas for Committee meetings.

III. MEETINGS

The Committee shall meet at such times as it deems to be necessary or appropriate, but no less than once each year. The Chair of the Board or any member of the Committee may call meetings of the Committee. All meetings of the Committee may be held telephonically or by similar communications equipment.

All non-management directors that are not members of the Committee may attend meetings of the Committee but may not vote. Additionally, the Committee may invite to its meetings any director, management of the corporation and such other persons as it deems appropriate in order to carry out its responsibilities. The Committee may also exclude from its meetings any persons it deems appropriate in order to carry out its responsibilities.

IV. RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

The following functions shall be the common recurring activities of the Committee in carrying out its responsibilities outlined in Section I of this Charter. These functions should serve as a guide with the understanding that the Committee may carry out additional functions and adopt additional policies and procedures as may be appropriate in light of changing business, legislative, regulatory, legal or other conditions. The Committee shall also carry out any other responsibilities and duties delegated to it by the Board of Directors from time to time related to the purposes of the Committee outlined in Section I of this Charter.

1. Report periodically and upon request to the Board of Directors regarding environmental, industry change and other policy matters, as well as established policies that affect the relationship of the Company and its subsidiaries to their service areas and the general public.
2. Counsel the Chief Executive Officer and other members of management on any policy matters presented to the Committee for its consideration and study.

The Committee, in discharging its oversight role, is empowered to study or investigate any matter of interest or concern that the Committee deems appropriate. In this regard, the Committee shall have the authority to retain outside legal, accounting or other advisors for this purpose, including the authority to approve the fees payable to such advisors and any other terms of retention.

V. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

The Committee shall periodically review and evaluate the performance of the Committee, including by reviewing the compliance of the Committee with this Charter. The Committee shall conduct such evaluation and review in such manner as it deems appropriate.