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AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER CO INC Form 8-K October 17, 2018
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) October 17, 2018 AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter) 1-3525 New York 13-4922640 (Commission File Number) (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) No.) 1 Riverside Plaza, Columbus, OH 43215 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) 614-716-1000 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)
None (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)
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ITEM CREATION OF A DIRECT FINANCIAL OBLIGATION OR AN OBLIGATION UNDER AN OFF 2.03 BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENT OF A REGISTRANT

On October 17, 2018, American Electric Power Company, Inc. ("AEP") amended its existing \$3,000,000,000 credit agreement ("Credit Agreement") to extend the maturity date from June 30, 2021 to June 30, 2022 and to increase the available commitments to \$4,000,000,000.

Borrowings and letters of credit issued under the Credit Agreement are available upon customary terms and conditions for facilities of this type. The Credit Agreement contains certain covenants and require AEP to maintain its percentage of debt to total capitalization at a level that does not exceed 67.5%. The method for calculating outstanding debt and other capital is contractually defined in the Credit Agreement. Nonperformance by AEP of these covenants could result in an event of default under the Credit Agreement. The acceleration of AEP's payment obligations, or the obligations of certain of its respective subsidiaries, prior to maturity under any other agreement or instrument relating to debt outstanding in excess of \$50 million would cause an event of default under the Credit Agreement and permit the lenders to declare AEP's outstanding amounts payable. The Credit Agreement does not permit the lenders to refuse a draw on the facility if a material adverse change occurs.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY, INC.

By: /s/ Thomas G. Berkemeyer Name: Thomas G. Berkemeyer Title: Assistant Secretary

October 17, 2018