

**MIAMI COUNTY HISTORY**  
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In 1897 R.M. Albery and Sons built a dam across Greenville Creek a little more than a mile from Covington. At this site they constructed a power plant where the twenty eight foot fall turned the generator to supply the first electric power in Covington. This plant was one of the best hydro-electric plants in the state and later furnished electricity to Pleasant Hill, Ludlow Falls, and a number of rural lines.

In 1911 this organization was incorporated as the Buckeye Power and Light with J.II Marlin of Covington as President, T. Russell Robinson of Boston as Secretary, and R.F. Albery of Covington as General Superintendent.

The Buckeye promoted and built the first rural electric lines in the United States and filed the first rates with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio for construction and operation of rural power lines.

About 1927 or 1928 the Buckeye Company disposed of its property to the United Public Service Company of Chicago. This Company was in turn absorbed by Dayton Power and Light which now operates the property.