

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

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In the Matter of the Application of Lakeshore)
Energy Services LLC d/b/a CenterPoint Energy) Case No. 17 - 1238 -GA- ABN
Servic Retail; Abandonment of Certificate 05-101G(6))
to:)

Name of Applicant: CenterPoint Energy Services, Inc.

Applicant's Address: 1111 Louisiana, Suite 20, Houston, TX 77002

Contact Person or Counsel: Debora K. Churches, Senior Counsel

Telephone Number: 713-207-5777

Mark the reason for filing this form, application, and supporting information. Check only one of the five main categories. Use separate copies of this form for each type of application.

1. ☐ Certification Renewal Application (to be filed 30 to 60 days prior to expiration of current certificate) per Rules 4901:1-27-09 and 4901:1-27-04 of the Ohio Administrative Code.
2. ☐ Notification of Material Change in Business (to be filed in the initial or most recent certification docket and within 30 days of the material change occurring) per Rule 4901:1-27-11 of the Ohio Administrative Code. Please check the following material change(s) that is(are) involved with this filing:
 - ☐ Change in ownership of five percent or more
 - ☐ Affiliation with public utility or change in affiliation with a public utility in this state
 - ☐ Retirement or other long-term changes to supply sources
 - ☐ Revocation, restriction, or termination of interconnection or service agreement with pipeline company or natural gas company
 - ☐ Fall of bond rating below BBB-
 - ☐ Fall of bond rating below Baa3
 - ☐ Filed or intend to file for some form of bankruptcy
 - ☐ Receipt of judgment, finding, or ruling that could affect fitness or ability to provide service
 - ☐ Other (please describe):
3. ☐ Certificate Transfer Application per Rule 4901:1-27-12 of the Ohio Administrative Code.
4. ☐ Abandonment Application (to be filed at least 90 days prior the effective date of the abandonment) per Rule 4901:1-27-12 of the Ohio Administrative Code. Please indicate which of the following two situations applies to the proposed abandonment:
 - ☐ Seek to abandon operations with no existing customers
 - ☐ Seek to abandon operations with existing customers
5. ☒ Other application (please describe): *Amendment to Application Filed on May 15, 2017 ; Exhibit C-1 and Exhibit C-2.*



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July 17, 2017

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Docketing Division
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215-3793

RE: Lakeshore Energy Services, LLC d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Service Retail
Notice of Abandonment – CRNGS Certificate No. 05-101G(6)
Amendment to Application; Case No. 17-1238-GA-ABN

Dear Executive Secretary:

CenterPoint Energy Services, Inc. provides the below listed Exhibits; amending the above-referenced filing submitted on May 15, 2017:

Exhibit C-1 (Notice to Director); and
Exhibit C-2 (LDC Notices)

Please contact me if there are any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,
/s Delphine French

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Exhibit C-1 – Notice to Director

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July 17, 2017

Mr. John Williams
Director of Service and Monitoring
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215-3793

RE: Lakeshore Energy Services, LLC, d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Service Retail
Notice of Abandonment of CRNGS Certificate No. 05-101G(6)
Case No. 17-1238-GA-ABN

Dear Mr. Williams:

Please let this serve as notice that Lakeshore Energy Service, LLC d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Service Retail will be abandoning its Competitive Retail Natural Gas ("CRNG") Supplier License, Certificate No. 05-101G(6).

All LDCs: Dominion East, Duke Energy, and NiSource have been notified, and no customers will be impacted.

Lakeshore's most recent CRNG Supplier Renewal Certification Application was filed on July 6, 2015. On August 24, 2015, the Commission renewed Lakeshore's CRNG Supplier Certification No. 05-101G(6) for the period from August 22, 2015 through August 22, 2017.

On June 14, 2016, CenterPoint Energy Services, Inc. (CES) filed its CRNG Supplier Application, Case No. 16-1370-GA-CRS. On July, 19, 2016, the Commission issued Certificate No. 16-530G(1), effective July 15, 2016 through July 15, 2018.

Ownership/Name Change

On April 1, 2016, CenterPoint Energy Services, Inc. (CES) acquired the retail energy services business of Continuum Retail Energy Services, along with its wholly-owned retail subsidiary Lakeshore Energy Services LLC d/b/a Continuum Energy. On April 28, 2016, Lakeshore provided Notice that its fictitious or assumed name was changed to CenterPoint Energy Services.

Exhibit C-1 – Notice to Director

On June 7, 2016, Lakeshore provided Notice that its fictitious or assumed name was again changed to CenterPoint Energy Service Retail.

In September 2016, CES consolidated its retail energy services business to a single company, and has completed transferring the gas contracts previously held by Lakeshore to CES.

Please contact me if there are any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/ Debora K. Churches

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Exhibit C-2 - LDC Notices

CenterPoint Energy Services, Inc. on behalf of
Lakeshore Energy Services, LLC d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Services Retail, LLC
Docket No. 17-1238-GA-ABN

All LDCs were noticed and customer contracts were assigned to CenterPoint Energy Services, Inc.
Total customers served: 9,308.

Dominion East

Contact: Rebecca Vestal:

Contracts assigned effective October 1, 2016. Number of customers effective of that date: 6,713.

Duke Energy

Contact: Donna Burns

Contracts assigned effective January 26, 2017. Number of customers effective of that date: 544.

NiSource

Contact: Kelly Meadows

Contracts assigned on September 30, 2016. Number of customers enrolled effective for the
November 2016 billing cycle: 2,051.

Exhibit C-2 - LDC Notices

CenterPoint Energy Services, Inc. on behalf of
Lakeshore Energy Services, LLC d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Services Retail, LLC
Docket No. 17-1238-GA-ABN

From: Rebecca P Vestal (Services - 6) [mailto:rebecca.p.vestal@dom.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2017 11:03 AM
To: Laureano, Consuelo H <consuelo.laureano@centerpointenergy.com>; Megan H Farnin (Services - 6) <megan.h.farnin@dom.com>
Subject: RE: Lakeshore to CenterPoint

EXTERNAL EMAIL

Connie,

The assignment of the Dominion East Ohio contract with CenterPoint Energy Services Retail to CenterPoint Energy Services, L.O.L.C. was effective 10/1/2016.

All of our systems were updated by the middle of February 2017 however we used the effective date of 10/1/2016.

Let me know if you need additional information.

Rebecca (Becky) Vestal

804.787.5940 - phone

804.787.6479 - Fax

From: Laureano, Consuelo H [mailto:consuelo.laureano@centerpointenergy.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2017 10:02 AM
To: Rebecca P Vestal (Services - 6); Megan H Farnin (Services - 6)
Subject: [External] RE: Lakeshore to CenterPoint

Hi Becky,

The official effective date- so as of what date were we CenterPoint Energy Services, Inc.? I think you've sent me that before, but I cannot locate the email.

Thank you,

Connie L.

Exhibit C-2 - LDC Notices

CenterPoint Energy Services, Inc. on behalf of
Lakeshore Energy Services, LLC d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Services Retail, LLC
Docket No. 17-1238-GA-ABN

From: Burns, Donna J [mailto:Donna.Burns@duke-energy.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 03, 2017 1:47 PM
To: Laureano, Consuelo H <consuelo.laureano@centerpointenergy.com>
Subject: RE: CenterPoint Energy

EXTERNAL EMAIL

It was Jan 26th, 2017.

Donna

From: Laureano, Consuelo H [mailto:consuelo.laureano@centerpointenergy.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 03, 2017 2:36 PM
To: Burns, Donna J
Subject: RE: CenterPoint Energy

Hi Donna,

Last we spoke you verified that the change to CenterPoint Energy Services was completed, but could you give me a date of when that change officially happened?

Thank you,

Connie L.

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CenterPoint Energy Services, Inc. on behalf of
Lakeshore Energy Services, LLC d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Services Retail, LLC
Docket No. 17-1238-GA-ABN

EXTERNAL EMAIL

To: "Laureano, Consuelo H" <consuelo.laureano@centerpointenergy.com>,

Cc: "neberhardt@nisource.com" <neberhardt@nisource.com>

Good morning Connie,

The contracts were executed on 9/30/2016 Centerpoint enrolled customers effective for the November, 2016 billing cycle

Kelly Meadows
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"Please make safety an important part of your every day life"

"Life is not about waiting for the storms to pass...it's about learning how to dance in the rain"

From: "Laureano, Consuelo H"
<consuelo.laureano@centerpointenergy.com>
To: "kemeadows@nisource.com" <kemeadows@nisource.com>,
Date: 07/11/2017 09:04 AM
Subject: RE: Lakeshore to CenterPoint

Hi Kelly,

I'm just following-up on the email below. I believe the date was December 2016, but wanted to confirm.

Thank you,
Connie L.

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Summary: Amended Application Amendment to May 15, 2017 filing to include cover letter, Exhibit C-1 and Exhibit C-2 electronically filed by Mr. Mickey S Moon on behalf of Lakeshore Energy Services, LLC and CenterPoint Energy Services, Inc.