21

Bonelli Law, LLC

Brooke M. Bonelli, Attorney at Law

577 Red Rock Drive Wadsworth, Ohio 44281 Phone: 330-602-8375

E-Mail: brooke.bonelli@gmail.com

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

March 7, 2018

To whom it may concern:

Enclosed please find one original notarized Renewal Application for Electric Aggregators/Power Brokers signed by a principal officer and three copies including all exhibits, affidavits, and other attachments. Also, enclosed please find a Motion for Protective Order in accordance with OAC 4901-1-24.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Brooke Bonelli (0087696)

Brooke Bonelli

Attorney at Law 330-603-8375

Brooke.bonelli@gmail.com

2018 MAR - 9 AM III: L.G

This is to certify that the images appearing are an accurate and complete reproduction of a case file document delivered in the regular course of business.

Technician Date Processed 02 01



Original AGG Case Number	Version
14 - 405 -EL-AGG	May 2016

RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR ELECTRIC AGGREGATORS/POWER BROKERS

Please print or type all required information. Identify all attachments with an exhibit label and title (Example: Exhibit C-10 Corporate Structure). All attachments should bear the legal name of the Applicant. Applicants should file completed applications and all related correspondence with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Docketing Division; 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

This PDF form is designed so that you may input information directly onto the form. You may also download the form, by saving it to your local disk, for later use.

A.	RENEWAL INFORMATION				
A-1	Applicant intends to be certified as: (check all that apply)				
	Power Broker Aggregator				
A-2	Applicant's legal name, address, telephone number, PUCO certificate number, and				
	web site address				
	Legal Name M3 CONSULTING, LLC dba M3 ENERGY				
	Address 731 RED ROCK DRIVE, WADSWORTH, OHIO 44281				
	PUCO Certificate # and Date Certified 14-796(E)1; 4/18/14 &14-796(E)2; 4/18/16				
	Telephone # (330) 334-0498 Web site address (if any)				
A-3	List name, address, telephone number and web site address under which Applicant will do business in Ohio				
	Legal Name M3 ENERGY				
	Address 731 RED ROCK DRIVE, WADSWORTH, OHIO 44281				
	Telephone #_(330) 334-0498 Web site address (if any)				
A-4	List all names under which the applicant does business in North America				
	M3 CONSULTING, LLC M3 ENERGY				
A-5	Contact person for regulatory or emergency matters				
	Name DEBRA L. MEAGER				
	Title PRESIDENT				
	Business address 731 RED ROCK DRIVE, WADSWORTH, OHIO 44281				
	Telephone # (330) 334-0498 Fax # (888) 214-0388				
	E-mail address <u>DEB.MEAGER@GMAIL.COM</u>				

A-6	Contact person for Commission Staff use in investigating customer complaints				
	Name DEBRA L. MEAGER				
	Title PRESIDENT				
	Business address 731 RED ROCK DRIVE, WADSWORTH, OHIO 44281				
	Telephone # (330) 334-0498 Fax # (888) 214-0388				
	E-mail address DEB.MEAGER@GMAIL.COM				
A-7	Applicant's address and toll-free number for customer service and complaints				
	Customer Service address 731 RED ROCK DRIVE, WADSWORTH, OHIO 44281				
	Toil-free Telephone # (330) 334-0498 Fax # (888) 214-0388				
	E-mail address DEB.MEAGER@GMAIL.COM				
A-8	Applicant's federal employer identification number # 2032600833				
A-9	Applicant's form of ownership (check one)				
	☐ Sole Proprietorship ☐ Partnership				
	☐ Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) ☐ Limited Liability Company (LLC)				
	□ Corporation □ Other				
	PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING AS SEPARATE ATTACHMENTS AND LABEL AS INDICATED:				
A-10	Exhibit A -10 "Principal Officers, Directors & Partners" provide the names, titles addresses and telephone numbers of the applicant's principal officers, directors, partners, or other similar officials.				

B. <u>APPLICANT MANAGERIAL CAPABILITY AND EXPERIENCE</u>

PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING AS SEPARATE ATTACHMENTS AND LABEL AS INDICATED:

- **B-1** Exhibit B-1 "Jurisdictions of Operation," provide a list of all jurisdictions in which the applicant or any affiliated interest of the applicant is, at the date of filing the application, certified, licensed, registered, or otherwise authorized to provide retail or wholesale electric services including aggregation services.
- B-2 Exhibit B-2 "Experience & Plans," provide a description of the applicant's experience and plan for contracting with customers, providing contracted services, providing billing statements, and responding to customer inquiries and complaints in accordance with Commission rules adopted pursuant to Section 4928.10 of the Revised Code.

- B-3 <u>Exhibit B-3 "Disclosure of Liabilities and Investigations,"</u> provide a description of all existing, pending or past rulings, judgments, contingent liabilities, revocation of authority, regulatory investigations, or any other matter that could adversely impact the applicant's financial or operational status or ability to provide the services it is seeking to be certified to provide.
- **B-4** Disclose whether the applicant, a predecessor of the applicant, or any principal officer of the applicant have ever been convicted or held liable for fraud or for violation of any consumer protection or antitrust laws within the past five years.

☑No ☐ Yes

If yes, provide a separate attachment labeled as **Exhibit B-4 "Disclosure of Consumer Protection Violations"** detailing such violation(s) and providing all relevant documents.

B-5 Disclose whether the applicant or a predecessor of the applicant has had any certification, license, or application to provide retail or wholesale electric service including aggregation service denied, curtailed, suspended, revoked, or cancelled within the past two years.

☑No

☐ Yes

If yes, provide a separate attachment labeled as **Exhibit B-5** "Disclosure of Certification Denial, Curtailment, Suspension, or Revocation" detailing such action(s) and providing all relevant documents.

C. FINANCIAL CAPABILITY AND EXPERIENCE

PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING AS SEPARATE ATTACHMENTS AND LABEL AS INDICATED:

- C-1 <u>Exhibit C-1 "Annual Reports,"</u> provide the two most recent Annual Reports to Shareholders. If applicant does not have annual reports, the applicant should provide similar information in Exhibit C-1 or indicate that Exhibit C-1 is not applicable and why. (This is generally only applicable to publicly traded companies who publish annual reports.)
- C-2 <u>Exhibit C-2 "SEC Filings,"</u> provide the most recent 10-K/8-K Filings with the SEC. If the applicant does not have such filings, it may submit those of its parent company. An applicant may submit a current link to the filings or provide them in paper form. If the applicant does not have such filings, then the applicant may indicate in Exhibit C-2 that the applicant is not required to file with the SEC and why.

- C-3 <u>Exhibit C-3 "Financial Statements,"</u> provide copies of the applicant's two most recent years of audited financial statements (balance sheet, income statement, and cash flow statement). If audited financial statements are not available, provide officer certified financial statements. If the applicant has not been in business long enough to satisfy this requirement, it shall file audited or officer certified financial statements covering the life of the business. If the applicant does not have a balance sheet, income statement, and cash flow statement, the applicant may provide a copy of its two most recent years of tax returns (with social security numbers and account numbers redacted).
- C-4 <u>Exhibit C-4 "Financial Arrangements,"</u> provide copies of the applicant's financial arrangements to conduct CRES as a business activity (e.g., guarantees, bank commitments, contractual arrangements, credit agreements, etc.).

Renewal applicants can fulfill the requirements of Exhibit C-4 by providing a current statement from an Ohio local distribution utility (LDU) that shows that the applicant meets the LDU's collateral requirements.

First time applicants or applicants whose certificate has expired as well as renewal applicants can meet the requirement by one of the following methods:

- 1. The applicant itself stating that it is investment grade rated by Moody's, Standard & Poor's or Fitch and provide evidence of rating from the rating agencies.
- 2. Have a parent company or third party that is investment grade rated by Moody's, Standard & Poor's or Fitch guarantee the financial obligations of the applicant to the LDU(s).
- 3. Have a parent company or third party that is not investment grade rated by Moody's, Standard & Poor's or Fitch but has substantial financial wherewithal in the opinion of the Staff reviewer to guarantee the financial obligations of the applicant to the LDU(s). The guaranter company's financials must be included in the application if the applicant is relying on this option.
- 4. Posting a Letter of Credit with the LDU(s) as the beneficiary.

If the applicant is not taking title to the electricity or natural gas, enter "N/A" in Exhibit C-4. An N/A response is only applicable for applicants seeking to be certified as an aggregator or broker.

- Exhibit C-5 "Forecasted Financial Statements," provide two years of forecasted C-5 income statements for the applicant's ELECTRIC related business activities in the state of Ohio Only, along with a list of assumptions, and the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the preparer. The forecasts should be in an annualized format for the two years succeeding the Application year.
- C-6 Exhibit C-6 "Credit Rating," provide a statement disclosing the applicant's credit rating as reported by two of the following organizations: Duff & Phelps, Fitch IBCA, Moody's Investors Service, Standard & Poor's, or a similar organization. In instances where an applicant does not have its own credit ratings, it may substitute the credit ratings of a parent or an affiliate organization, provided the applicant submits a statement signed by a principal officer of the applicant's parent or affiliate organization that guarantees the obligations of the applicant. If an applicant or its parent does not have such a credit rating, enter "N/A" in Exhibit C-6.
- **C-7** Exhibit C-7 "Credit Report," provide a copy of the applicant's credit report from Experion, Dun and Bradstreet or a similar organization. An applicant that provides an investment grade credit rating for Exhibit C-6 may enter "N/A" for Exhibit C-7.
- Exhibit C-8 "Bankruptcy Information," provide a list and description of any **C-8** reorganizations, protection from creditors or any other form of bankruptcy filings made by the applicant, a parent or affiliate organization that guarantees the obligations of the applicant or any officer of the applicant in the current year or within the two most recent years preceding the application.
- C-9 Exhibit C-9 "Merger Information," provide a statement describing any dissolution or merger or acquisition of the applicant within the two most recent years preceding the application.
- C-10 Exhibit C 10 "Corporate Structure," provide a description of the applicant's corporate structure, not an internal organizational chart, including a graphical depiction of such structure, and a list of all affiliate and subsidiary companies that supply retail or wholesale electricity or natural gas to customers in North America. If the applicant is a stand-alone entity, then no graphical depiction is required and applicant may respond by stating that they are a stand-alone entity with no affiliate or subsidiary companies.

Olbra L. Meagu President Signature of Applicant & Title Sworn and subscribed before me this U day of March, 2018 Month

My commission expires on 1911

Attomey At Law

AFFIDAVI

State of ONIO :	WodSwurtNss
County of Medina:	(Town)

Debro L. Meoger __, Affiant, being duly sworn/affirmed according to law, deposes and says that:

He/She is the <u>President</u> (Office of Affiant) of <u>M3Consulting UC</u> (Name of Applicant);

That he/she is authorized to and does make this affidavit for said Applicant,

- 1. The Applicant herein, attests under penalty of false statement that all statements made in the application for certification renewal are true and complete and that it will amend its application while the application is pending if any substantial changes occur regarding the information provided in the application.
- 2. The Applicant herein, attests it will timely file an annual report with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio of its intrastate gross receipts, gross earnings, and sales of kilowatt-hours of electricity pursuant to Division (A) of Section 4905.10, Division (A) of Section 4911.18, and Division (F) of Section 4928.06 of the Revised Code.
- 3. The Applicant herein, attests that it will timely pay any assessments made pursuant to Sections 4905.10, 4911.18, or Division F of Section 4928.06 of the Revised Code.
- 4. The Applicant herein, attests that it will comply with all Public Utilities Commission of Ohio rules or orders as adopted pursuant to Chapter 4928 of the Revised Code.
- 5. The Applicant herein, attests that it will cooperate fully with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, and its Staff on any utility matter including the investigation of any consumer complaint regarding any service offered or provided by the Applicant.
- 6. The Applicant herein, attests that it will fully comply with Section 4928.09 of the Revised Code regarding consent to the jurisdiction of Ohio Courts and the service of process.
- 7. The Applicant herein, attests that it will use its best efforts to verify that any entity with whom it has a contractual relationship to purchase power is in compliance with all applicable licensing requirements of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.
- 8. The Applicant herein, attests that it will comply with all state and/or federal rules and regulations concerning consumer protection, the environment, and advertising/promotions.
- 9. The Applicant herein, attests that it will cooperate fully with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. the electric distribution companies, the regional transmission entities, and other electric suppliers in the event of an emergency condition that may jeopardize the safety and reliability of the electric service in accordance with the emergency plans and other procedures as may be determined appropriate by the Commission.
- 10. If applicable to the service(s) the Applicant will provide, the Applicant herein, attests that it will adhere to the reliability standards of (1) the North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC), (2) the appropriate regional reliability council(s), and (3) the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. (Only applicable if pertains to the services the Applicant is offering)

11. The Applicant herein, attests that it will inform the Commission of any material change to the information supplied in the renewal application within 30 days of such material change, including any change in contact person for regulatory purposes or contact person for Staff use in investigating customer complaints.

That the facts above set forth are true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge, information, and belief and that he/she expects said Applicant to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.

<u>Och</u> Signatu	na <u>L. Meagus, Presid</u> ure of Affiant & Title	lert			
Sworn Month	and subscribed before me th	is <u>lo</u> day of <u>U</u>	ircn, 2018	Year	
Signati	VISUE STORY	oath	Brooke Bo Print Name and Tie		
	Му со	ommission expires on	YA WITH	AL" SIGN	BROOKE M. BONELLI Attorney At Law NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF OHIO
			10		My Commission Has No Expiration Date

Exhibit A -10 "Principal Officers, Directors & Partners" provide the names, titles, addresses and telephone numbers of the applicant's principal officers, directors, partners, or other similar officials.

Debra L. Meager, MBA Case Western Reserve University, Ohio Certified Business Advisor, Member, Women Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC); Woman Owned Small Business (WOSB)

President, M3 Consulting, LLC dba M3 Energy
731 Red Rock Drive
Wadsworth, OH 44281

Exhibit B-1 "Jurisdictions of Operation," provide a list of all jurisdictions in which the applicant or any affiliated interest of the applicant is, at the date of filing the application, certified, licensed, registered, or otherwise authorized to provide retail or wholesale electric services including aggregation services.

M3 Consulting, LLC dba M3 Energy is also licensed in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Exhibit B-2 "Experience & Plans," provide a description of the applicant's experiencece and plan for contracting with customers, providing contracted services, providing billing statements, and responding to customer inquiries and complaints in accordance with Commission rules adopted pursuant to Section 4928.10 of the Revised Code.

M3 Consulting, LLC, dba M3 Energy has been working under other aggregator/power brokers helping customers secure natural gas rates since 2006.

M3 Energy has developed relationships and conducted market assessments identifying natural gas suppliers to supply potential customers.

M3 Energy will assist customers to secure the best value and rates by querying electric suppliers and providing volume, negotiating terms as necessary, and comparing the best of the market at that given time. The customer then chooses the timeframe and company from which to buy their supply depending on market factors and geographical concerns. The final decision to buy and legal responsibility will reside with the customer. They will be billed by the supplier, not M3 Energy.

Customer inquiries and complaints will be handled by M3 Energy at telephone number 330-334-0498, FAX 888-214-0388, or email to deb.meager@gmail.com.

Exhibit B-3 "Disclosure of Liabilities and Investigations," provide a description of all existing, pending or past rulings, judgments, contingent liabilities, revocation of authority, regulatory investigations, or any other matter that could adversely impact the applicant's financial or operational status or ability to provide the services it is seeking to be certified to provide.

There are no existing ,pending or past rulings, judgments, contingent liabilities, revocation of authority, regulatory investigations, or an other matter that could adversely impact the applicant's financial or operational status or ability to provide the services it is seeking to be certified to provide.

Exhibit B-4 "Disclosure of Consumer Protection Violations" Disclose whether the applicant, a predecessor of the applicant, or any principal officer of the applicant have ever been convicted or held liable for fraud or for violation of any consumer protection or antitrust laws within the past five years.

No consumer protection violations. The applicant nor a predecessor of the applicant, or any principal officer of the applicant have ever been convicted or held liable for fraud or for violation of any consumer protection or antitrust laws within the past five years.

Exhibit B-5 "Disclosure of Certification Denial, Curtailment, Suspension, or Revocation" Disclose whether the applicant or a predecessor of the applicant has had any certification, license, or application to provide retail or wholesale electric service including aggregation service denied, curtailed, suspended, revoked, or cancelled within the past two years.

The applicant or a predecessor of the applicant have not had any certification, license, or application to provide retail or wholesale electric service including aggregation service denied, curtailed, suspended, revoked, or cancelled within the past two years.

Exhibit C-1 "Annual Reports," provide the two most recent Annual Reports to Shareholders. If applicant does not have annual reports, the applicant should provide similar information in Exhibit C-1 or indicate that Exhibit C-1 is not applicable and why. (This is generally only applicable to publicly traded companies who publish annual reports.)

M3 Consulting, LLC is a Sole Proprietor Limited Liability Company; Exhibit C-1 is not applicable because M3 Consulting LLC/M3 Energy is not a C corporation and is privately held.

Exhibit C-2 "SEC Filings," provide the most recent 10-K/8-K Filings with the SEC. If the applicant does not have such filings, it may submit those of its parent company. An applicant may submit a current link to the filings or provide them in paper form. If the applicant does not have such filings, then the applicant may indicate in Exhibit C-2 that the applicant is not required to file with the SEC and why.

M3 Consulting LLC is a Sole Proprietor Limited Liability Company. M3 Energy is a dba under M3 Consulting, LLC. M3 Consulting LLC and M3 Energy are exempt from filing 10-K/8-K with the SEC as these entities are not corporations.

Exhibit C-4 "Financial Arrangements," provide copies of the applicant's financial arrangements to conduct CRES as a business activity (e.g., guarantees, bank commitments, contractual arrangements, credit agreements, etc.).

M3 Consulting, LLC dba M3 Energy is applying to be a Broker and will not be taking the power. M3 Consulting, LLC dba M3 Energy does not have financial arrangements to conduct CRES as a business activity.

Exhibit C-7 "Credit Report," provide a copy of the applicant's credit report from Experion, Dun and Bradstreet or a similar organization. An applicant that provides an investment grade credit rating for Exhibit C-6 may enter "N/A" for Exhibit C-7.

N/A. The applicant does not a credit report as a normal course of business operations.

Exhibit C-8 "Bankruptcy Information," provide a list and description of any reorganizations, protection from creditors or any other form of bankruptcy filings made by the applicant, a parent or affiliate organization that guarantees the obligations of the applicant or any officer of the applicant in the current year or within the two most recent years preceding the application.

None. M3 Consulting LLC, dba M3 Energy has not filed bankruptcy or partnered with anyone known to us to have filed bankruptcy. We have no affiliates or parent company. This excludes companies to which we supply or contract electricity through, as we have no control over their fiscal responsibility.

Exhibit C-9 "Merger Information," provide a statement describing any dissolution or merger or acquisition of the applicant within the two most recent years preceding the application.

None. The application has no dissolutions, mergers, or acquisitions within the five most recent years preceding the application.

Exhibit C - 10 "Corporate Structure," provide a description of the applicant's corporate structure, not an internal organizational chart, including a graphical depiction of such structure, and a list of all affiliate and subsidiary companies that supply retail or wholesale electricity or natural gas to customers in North America. If the applicant is a stand-alone entity, then no graphical depiction is required and applicant may respond by stating that they are a stand-alone entity with no affiliate or subsidiary companies.

M3 Consulting, LLC was incorporated in the State of Ohio the 25th day of July, 2005, filed with Articles of Organization/Dom. LLC Articles of Incorporation are on file with the state of Ohio. M3 Consulting, LLC filed a fictitious name/original filing as M3 Energy on the 11th of January 2010.