

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
SOUTH POINT BIOMASS GENERATION
PLANT FOR CERTIFICATION AS AN
ELIGIBLE OHIO RENEWABLE ENERGY
RESOURCE GENERATING FACILITY

CASE No. 09-1043-EL-REN

FINDING AND ORDER

Entered in the Journal on March 28, 2018

I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} The Commission finds that Certificate No. 10-BIO-OH-GATS-0156 should be revoked and this case should be dismissed and closed of record.

II. DISCUSSION

{¶ 2} On November 6, 2009, South Point Biomass Generation, LLC (Applicant) filed an application for certification as an eligible Ohio renewable energy resource generating facility located at 100 Collins Road, South Point, Ohio 45680 (Facility). In its application, Applicant planned to use biomass energy from 100 percent wood waste at the 200 megawatt facility.

{¶ 3} Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-40-04(F)(2), provides for automatic approval of an application for certification as an eligible Ohio renewable energy resource generating facility, unless the Commission suspends the application within sixty days. Applicant received automatic approval and a certificate was issued on May 19, 2010, and the Facility was assigned Certificate No. 10-BIO-OH-GATS-0156.

{¶ 4} At the time the application was filed, the Applicant had projected an in-service date for the Facility of September 30, 2012. The Applicant has not filed any updates since the Facility was certified.

{¶ 5} On June 28, 2017, Staff filed its review and recommendation of the application. In its report, Staff states that, in February 2017, Staff contacted the Generation Attribute Tracking System (GATS) and confirmed that the Facility has not been registered to date.

Staff also performed a review of the PJM Interconnection queue showing that the interconnection request for the Facility was withdrawn on March 21, 2012. Staff conducted additional investigation concluding that the Facility has not yet been constructed. (See Staff Review and Recommendation.)

{¶ 6} The Commission finds Staff's recommendation reasonable and agrees that Certificate No. 10-BIO-OH-GATS-0156 should be revoked, as the Facility has not been placed in-service despite having been certified several years ago. If the Facility moves forward in the future, however, we will not preclude the Applicant from seeking certification at that time.

III. ORDER

{¶ 7} It is, therefore,

{¶ 8} ORDERED, That Certificate No. 10-BIO-OH-GATS-0156 be revoked. It is, further,

{¶ 9} ORDERED, That this case be dismissed and closed of record. It is, further,

{¶ 10} ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon all parties of the record.

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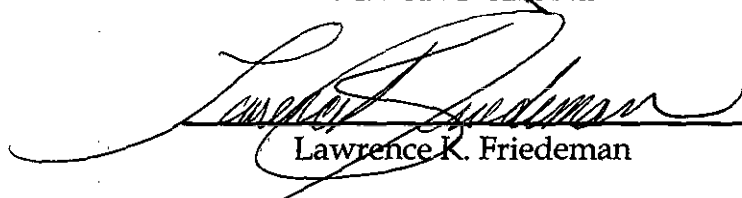
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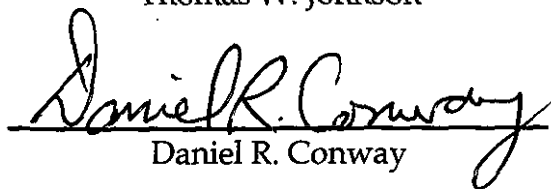
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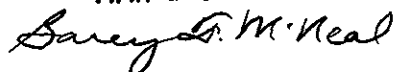
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