THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF INCITE ENERGY, LLC FOR CERTIFICATION AS A COMPETITIVE RETAIL ELECTRIC SERVICE PROVIDER IN OHIO.

Case No. 14-1811-EL-AGG

FINDING AND ORDER

Entered in the Journal on February 20, 2019

I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} The Commission approves Incite Energy, LLC's application for renewal of its certification as a competitive retail electric power broker.

II. DISCUSSION

- {¶ 2} R.C. 4928.08 provides that retail electric service suppliers that provide competitive retail electric service (CRES) must be certified by the Commission prior to providing CRES. The Commission reviews applications for certification to determine if the applicant has the managerial, technical, and financial capability to provide CRES and whether there are reasonable financial assurances sufficient to protect customers and electric companies from default. Pursuant to R.C. 4928.08 and Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-24-10, the application for certification shall be deemed approved 30 days after the filing of the application, unless the Commission suspends such approval. If the case is suspended, R.C. 4928.08 provides that the Commission shall act to approve or deny the application within 90 days after the date of suspension.
- {¶ 3} On October 30, 2018, Incite Energy, LLC (Incite) filed an application for renewal of its certification as a CRES power broker, as required by Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-24-05 and supplemental information on November 13, 2018. In support of its application, Incite provided updated information regarding its managerial, financial, and technical ability to provide CRES.
- {¶ 4} By Entry dated November 28, 2018, the attorney examiner suspended the 30-day automatic approval process with respect to Incite's renewal application for certification,

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pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-24-10(A), in order to afford the Commission and Staff additional time to review the matter.

- {¶ 5} On January 7, 2019, Incite filed additional information in support of its renewal application for certification.
- {¶ 6} On January 9, 2019, Staff filed its review and recommendation. Staff indicates that Incite provided the necessary additional information, and, therefore, Staff recommends that Incite's renewal application for certification be approved.
- {¶ 7} Upon review of the application, as supplemented, and Staff's recommendation, Incite appears managerially, financially, and technically fit and capable of performing as a CRES power broker in compliance with all applicable regulations adopted pursuant to R.C. Chapter 4928. Accordingly, the Commission finds that Incite's renewal application for certification as a CRES power broker should be approved for a period of two years.

III. ORDER

- {¶ 8} It is, therefore,
- {¶ 9} ORDERED, That Incite's renewal application for certification as a CRES power broker be approved. It is, further,

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

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