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INITIAL CERTIFICATION APPLICATION FOR ELECTRIC

AGGREGATORS/ POWER BROKERS

Please print or type all required information. Identify all attachments with an exhibit label and title (Example: Exhibit A-12 Company History). 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.

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will do business in Ohio	
Legal Name Electric Choice, Inc.	
Address 241 Spahr Street Pittsburgh, PA 15232	
Telephone # (412) 441-7500 Web site address (if any)	
List all names under which the applicant does business in North An Electric Choice, Inc. Contact person for regulatory or emergency matters Name Richard Brourman	1erica
Title Owner	
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A-11 Provide the approximate start date that the applicant proposes to begin delivering services

May 1, 2020

PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING AS SEPARATE ATTACHMENTS AND LABEL AS INDICATED:

- A-12 <u>Exhibit A-12 "Principal Officers, Directors & Partners"</u> provide the names, titles, addresses and telephone numbers of the applicant's principal officers, directors, partners, or other similar officials.
- A-13 <u>Exhibit A-13 "Company History,"</u> provide a concise description of the applicant's company history and principal business interests.
- A-14 <u>Exhibit A-14 "Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws,"</u> if applicable, provide the articles of incorporation filed with the state or jurisdiction in which the Applicant is incorporated and any amendments thereto.
- A-15 <u>Exhibit A-15 "Secretary of State,"</u> provide evidence that the applicant has registered with the Ohio Secretary of the State.

B. APPLICANT MANAGERIAL CAPABILITY AND EXPERIENCE

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 <u>Exhibit B-2 "Experience & Plans,"</u> 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** Exhibit B-3 "Summary of Experience," provide a concise summary of the applicant's experience in providing aggregation service(s) including contracting with customers to combine electric load and representing customers in the purchase of retail electric services. (e.g. number and types of customers served, utility service areas, amount of load, etc.).
- **B-4** Exhibit B-4 "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.
- B-5 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.

 n No n Yes

If yes, provide a separate attachment labeled as **Exhibit B-5 "Disclosure of Consumer Protection Violations"** detailing such violation(s) and providing all relevant documents.

B-6 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-6 "Disclosure of Certification Denial, Curtailment, Suspension, or Revocation"** detailing such action(s) and providing all relevant documents.

C. <u>APPLICANT FINANCIAL CAPABILITY AND EXPERIENCE</u>

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 Exhibit C-3 "Financial Statements," 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 to satisfy collateral requirements to conduct retail electric/gas business activity (e.g., parental or third party guarantees, 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.

C-5 <u>Exhibit C-5 "Forecasted Financial Statements</u>," provide two years of forecasted 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, Dun and Bradstreet Information Services, Fitch IBCA, Moody's Investors Service, Standard & Poors, 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 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 <u>Exhibit C-7 "Credit Report,"</u> 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.
- C-8 <u>Exhibit C-8 "Bankruptcy Information."</u> 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.
- C-9 <u>Exhibit C-9 "Merger Information,"</u> 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.

Signature of Applicant & Title

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal MARQUISE WILLIAMS - Notary Public Allegheny County My Commission Expires Dec 2, 2022 Commission Number 1287104

Sworn and subscribed before me this ____ 17 __ day of ___ March_

Month You

Signature of official administering oath

Marguise Williams

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Print Name and Title

My commission expires on 12/2/2022

<u>AFFIDAVIT</u>

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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 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 comply with all state and/or federal rules and regulations concerning consumer protection, the environment, and advertising/promotions.
- 8. 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.
- 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 application within 30 days of such material change, including any change in contact person for regulatory purposes or contact person for Saff 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.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 17 day of March, 2020

Month Year

Marguse Williams Noting Publice

Signature of official administering oath

Print Name and Title

My commission expires on 12/2/2022

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal MARQUISE WILLIAMS - Notary Public Allegheny County

My Commission Expires Dec 2, 2022 Commission Number 1287104



February 23, 2016

Dear Sir/Madame,

Richard Brourman has been a customer with S&T Bank for over 20 years. Mr. Brourman's accounts are in good standing. Mr. Brourman and his related entities have a deposit relationship in excess of \$100,000.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at .724-465-3794 or <u>Heidi williams@stbank.net</u>

Sincerely,

Heidi Williams

Senior Vice President Commercial Banking

800 Philadelphia Street PO 80x 190 Indiana, PA 15701

800.325.2265

stbank.com

Electric Choice has been in business since 2001 and has been an active electricity and natural gas broker for 15 years. We service many difference types of commercial accounts from laundries to car dealerships and cold storage facilities. We currently have 300-400 accounts. We organize our customer accounts and then offer them competitive bidding. We hold long term relationships with most of these customers.

Electric Choice has 4 or 5 customers in the gas industry that we will do business with, total volume is approximately 4,000 MCF per year

I am the president and work on all accounts, both acquisition and maintaining renewals. We do this electronically in our office at 241 Spahr Street in Pittsburgh, PA. We occupy this space along with our real estate holdings company.

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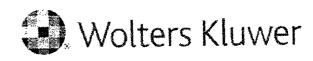
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United States

Electric Choice, Inc. Richard Brourman 241 Spahr Street

Pittsburgh Pennsylvania 15232

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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

Certified as a Competitive Retail Electric Service Provider
Certificate Number:

14-878E (1)

Issued Pursuant to Case Number(s):

14-1556-EL-AGG

A certificate as a Competitive Retail Electric Service Provider is hereby granted to, Electric Choice, Inc whose office or principal place of business is located at 241 Spahr Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15232 to provide <u>aggregation and power broker</u> services within the State of Ohio effective October 06, 2014.

The certification of competitive retail electric suppliers is governed by Section 4901:1-24-(01-13) of the Ohio Administrative Code, Section 4901:1-21-(01-15) of the Ohio Administrative Code, and Section 4928.08 of the Ohio Revised Code.

This Certificate is revocable if all of the conditions set forth in the aforementioned case(s) are not met.

Subject to all rules and regulations of the Commission, now existing or hereafter promulgated.

Witness the seal of the Commission affixed at Columbus, Ohio.

Dated: October 08, 2014

By Order of

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

Barcy F. McNeal, Secretary

Tanowa M. Troupe, Acting Secretary Felecia D. Burdett, Acting Secretary

Certificate Expires: October 06, 2016

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Ohio Competitive Retail Natural Gas Aggregator/Broker Certificate

Issued pursuant to Case Number(s): 14-1555-GA-AGG

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Ohio Competitive Retail Natural Gas Aggregator/Broker Certificate Number: 14-391G(1)

Granted to: **Electric Choice, Inc.**

Whose office or principal place of business is located at: 241 Spahr Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15232

And is hereby certified to provide: **Retail Natural Gas Aggregator/ Broker Services**within the state of Ohio, for a two-year period.

Certification Effective:
October 06, 2014 through October 06, 2016

The certification of Ohio competitive retail natural gas aggregators/brokers is governed by Chapter 4901:1-27 of the Ohio Administrative Code and section 4929.20 of the Ohio Revised Code.

This Certificate is revocable if all of the conditions set forth in the aforementioned case(s) as well as those under law, are not met.

Certified entity is subject to all rules and regulations of the commission, now existing or hereafter promulgated.

Witness the seal of the Commission affixed at Columbus, Ohio

Dated: October 06, 2014

By Order of

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

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Barcy F. MeNeal, Secretary

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A-14 – No Bylaws

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Pennsylvania, New Jersey, North Carolina, Texas, Florida, Michigan,

B-4 - None