

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Bortz     )  
for Certification as an Eligible Ohio     ) Case No. 09-885-EL-REN  
Renewable Energy Resource Generating     )  
Facility.     )

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

- (1) On October 6, 2009, Christopher Bortz filed an application for certification of his residence, at 309 Shepherd Street, Lebanon, Pennsylvania 17038, (Bortz) as an eligible Ohio renewable energy resource generating facility.
- (2) Consistent with Sections 4928.64 and 4928.65, Revised Code, in order to qualify as a certified eligible Ohio renewable energy resource generating facility, a facility must demonstrate in its application that it has satisfied all of the following criteria:
  - (a) The generation produced by the renewable energy resource generating facility can be shown to be deliverable into the state of Ohio, pursuant to Section 4928.64(B)(3), Revised Code.
  - (b) The resource to be utilized in the generating facility is recognized as a renewable energy resource pursuant to Sections 4928.64(A)(1) and 4928.01(A)(35), Revised Code, or a new technology that may be classified by the Commission as a renewable energy resource pursuant to Section 4928.64(A)(2), Revised Code.
  - (c) The facility must satisfy the applicable placed-in-service date, delineated in Section 4928.64(A)(1), Revised Code.
- (3) Mr. Bortz submitted for certification a .0063 MW solar photovoltaic system located at his residence. The application indicates that Bortz is a distributed generation facility with an existing net metering and interconnection agreement with Metropolitan Edison, a subsidiary of FirstEnergy Corporation. The application explains that the facility is within the geographic area of PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. The application represents

that, based upon its location in a state geographically contiguous to Ohio, the electricity generated from Bortz is deliverable into Ohio. Accordingly, the Commission finds that the application satisfies the first criterion.

- (4) In his application, Mr. Bortz indicates that his facility utilizes a solar photovoltaic system as one of its energy resources. Solar photovoltaic energy is specifically recognized as a renewable resource pursuant to Section 4928.01(A)(35), Revised Code. Therefore, the Commission finds that the second criterion is satisfied.
- (5) Mr. Bortz further indicates in his application that the placed-in-service date for Bortz was April 23, 2009, which satisfies the requirement of Section 4928.64(A)(1), Revised Code. As such, the Commission finds that Bortz meets the third criterion.
- (6) Given that Mr. Bortz's application demonstrates that Bortz satisfies the requisite criteria to become certified as an eligible Ohio renewable energy resource generating facility, the Commission finds that his application should be approved. This approval is subject to the facility properly acquiring and maintaining all required local, state, and environmental permits.
- (7) In addition to satisfying the above-cited criteria, Section 4928.65, Revised Code, requires a renewable energy resource generating facility to be registered with an approved attribute tracking system, such as the Generation Attribute Tracking System (GATS), or the Midwest Renewable Energy Tracking System (M-RETS), for the facility's renewable energy credits to be used for compliance with Ohio's alternative energy portfolio standards. Mr. Bortz included Bortz's GATS identification number in his application.
- (8) Bortz is hereby issued certification number 09-SPV-PA-GATS-0033 as an eligible Ohio renewable energy resource generating facility. In the event of any substantive changes in the facility's operational characteristics, or significant changes in the information provided in the application, Mr. Bortz must notify the Commission within 30 days of such changes. Failure to do so may result in revocation of Bortz's certification.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the application for certification of Bortz as an eligible Ohio renewable energy resource generating facility be granted as set forth herein. It is, further,

ORDERED, That Bortz be issued certification number 09-SPV-PA-GATS-0033 in accordance with finding (8). It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this finding and order be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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