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**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

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In the Matter of the Application of Duke)
Energy Ohio – Walter C. Beckjord)
Generating Station for Certification as an) Case No. 09-1023-EL-REN
Eligible Ohio Renewable Energy Resource)
Generating Facility.)

**DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC.
RESPONSES
TO
THIRD SET OF STAFF INTERROGATORIES**

Question 1: Please confirm the owner of the facility and the generation output of the units (including renewable generation), in Section B of the application. Specifically, does Midwest Commercial Generation or Midwest Generation Portfolio named in the application filings have any ownership share of the facility or the generation output or any renewable energy credits created? What is the relationship of these organizations to Duke Energy Ohio?

Answer 1: Midwest Commercial Generation (or Midwest Generation Portfolio) is the name for the business unit that, among other things, encompasses operation of the generation assets owned by Duke Energy Ohio. As such, Midwest Commercial Generation and Midwest Generation Portfolio have no ownership interest in the Walter C. Beckjord Generating Station, or any other generation facility, or in the generation output or renewable energy credits therefrom. The ownership of the units is stated in the application amendment filed on January 27, 2010.

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Duke Energy Ohio would also note the amendment of the application that is filed with these responses, changing the name, title, and contact information for the individual who will be in charge of this project.

Generation output for each unit is now projected to be the following. These projections are based on Duke Energy Ohio's current estimates of generation and will continue to change based on market conditions and equipment availability:

In-Service date of each unit	The nameplate capacity of each unit in megawatts (MW)	Total Projected Annual Generation	Projected Annual Generation from Coal	Projected Annual Generation from Biomass	Expected Annual Capacity Factor %
Unit 1 - June, 1952	94 net	0	0	0	0
Unit 2 - October, 1953	94 net	0	0	0	0
Unit 3 - November, 1954	128 net	0	0	0	0
Unit 4 - July, 1958	150 net	657,000	624,150	32,850	50
Unit 5 - December, 1962	238 net	1,459,416	1,386,446	72,970	70
Unit 6 - July, 1969	421 net	2,581,572	2,452,494	129,078	70

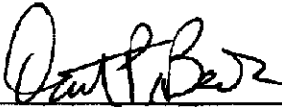
Question 2: In the first interrogatory response, the Company indicates that units 2, 4, 5 and 6 will be using biomass fuel. Does this application seek certification for all of the plant units (1-6) or just those listed as using biomass fuel (2, 4, 5, and 6)?

Answer 2: This application seeks to certify all units 1 through 6 at the Walter C. Beckjord generating station as using biomass fuel. The answer to question 4 in the first set of interrogatories provided the annual generation from biomass that was clearly anticipated. Duke Energy Ohio does not, at this time, anticipate repowering units 1 and 3. However, if were deemed appropriate to repower them in the future, it is likely that biomass would similarly be considered for use in those units, just as with the other units at the Beckjord station.

Question 3: For unit 6, will there be an allocation of the renewable energy credits created from unit 6 among the unit 6 owners?

Answer 3: Renewable energy generation by unit 6 will be allocated to the co-owners on an equity share basis.

1. I am the duly authorized representative of the Walter C. Beckjord Generating Station.
2. I have personally examined and am familiar with all information contained in the foregoing responses, including any exhibits and attachments, and that based upon my inquiry of those persons immediately responsible for obtaining the information contained in the responses; I believe that the information is true, accurate and complete.
3. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.



David P. Beck

General Manager III - Non-Regulated Fossil Station, Non-Regulated Generation

June 24, 2010

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing was served via personal delivery or ordinary mail, postage prepaid, on the all parties of record this 21 day of June, 2010.


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