### THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARD COMPLIANCE STATUS REPORT FOR 2016 OF THE DAYTON POWER & LIGHT COMPANY.

CASE NO. 17-803-EL-ACP

#### FINDING AND ORDER

Entered in the Journal on January 3, 2018

#### I. SUMMARY

**{¶ 1}** The Commission approves the 2016 renewable portfolio standard compliance status report of The Dayton Power & Light Company.

### II. DISCUSSION

# A. Applicable Law

- $\{\P\ 2\}$  The Dayton Power & Light Company (DP&L) is an electric distribution utility (EDU) as defined in R.C. 4928.01(A)(6) and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- {¶ 3} R.C. 4928.64(B)(2) establishes benchmarks for EDUs to acquire a portion of their electricity supply for retail customers in Ohio from renewable energy resources. R.C. 4928.645 provides that an EDU or electric services company may use renewable energy credits (RECs) and solar energy credits (SRECs) to meet its respective renewable energy and solar benchmarks. Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-40-01(BB) defines a REC as the environmental attributes associated with one megawatt hour (MWH) of electricity generated by a renewable energy resource, except for electricity generated by facilities as described in Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-40-04(E).
- {¶ 4} Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-40-05(A) requires each EDU to annually file by April 15 a renewable portfolio standard compliance status report (RPS report), unless otherwise ordered by the Commission. The RPS report must analyze all activities the

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company undertook in the previous year in order to demonstrate how pertinent alternative energy portfolio benchmarks have been met. Staff then conducts an annual compliance review of the company's filing and the records of the applicable attribute tracking system to ensure that RECs were sourced from generating facilities certified by the Commission and were appropriately associated with electricity generated for the compliance period.

# B. Procedural History

- {¶ 5} On April 14, 2017, DP&L filed its 2016 RPS report. DP&L proposes to use a baseline of 3,833,812 MWH, which it indicated was its actual Ohio retail electric sales for 2016. DP&L further reported that it satisfied its 2016 compliance obligations.
- {¶ 6} On May 16, 2017, Staff filed its Review and Recommendations for DP&L's report. Staff reports that DP&L is an EDU in the state of Ohio, and thus had an RPS obligation for 2016. Staff reviewed DP&L's attribute tracking system account record to verify compliance, and determined that DP&L satisfied its 2016 RPS compliance obligations. Staff recommends that, for future compliance years, DP&L initiate the transfer of the appropriate RECs and SRECs to its attribute tracking system reserve subaccount between March 1 and April 15 so as to precede the filing of its annual RPS report with the Commission.

## C. Conclusion

{¶ 7} Upon review of DP&L's 2016 RPS report and the records of these proceedings, we adopt Staff's recommendations. We find that DP&L's 2016 proposed compliance baseline is reasonable, and that DP&L has met its compliance obligations for 2016. Further, DP&L is directed to comply with Staff's recommendations for future compliance years.

## III. ORDER

- $\{\P 8\}$  It is, therefore,
- {¶ 9} ORDERED, That DP&L's 2016 RPS report be accepted as filed, as DP&L has met its RPS compliance obligations for 2016. It is, further,
- $\{\P$  10 $\}$  ORDERED, That DP&L comply with Staff's recommendations adopted herein. It is, further,
- {¶ 11} ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon all parties of record.

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