

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE RENEWABLE  
PORTFOLIO STANDARD COMPLIANCE  
STATUS REPORT FOR 2014 OF HESS  
CORPORATION.

CASE NO. 15-1636-EL-ACP

IN THE MATTER OF THE RENEWABLE  
PORTFOLIO STANDARD COMPLIANCE  
STATUS REPORT FOR 2015 OF HESS  
CORPORATION.

CASE NO. 16-764-EL-ACP

### FINDING AND ORDER

Entered in the Journal on June 6, 2018

#### I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} The Commission approves the 2014 and 2015 renewable portfolio standard compliance status report of Hess Corporation.

#### II. DISCUSSION

{¶ 2} Hess Corporation (Hess) is an electric services company as defined in R.C. 4928.01(A)(9) and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.

{¶ 3} R.C. 4928.64(B)(2) establishes benchmarks for electric services companies to acquire a portion of their electricity supply for retail customers in Ohio from renewable energy resources. R.C. 4928.645 provides that an electric utility 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 electric services company 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 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.

{¶ 5} On September 21, 2015, Hess filed its 2014 RPS report. Hess proposes a baseline of 82,845 MWH, which it asserted was an average of its actual Ohio retail electric sales for 2012 and 2013, as it had no Ohio sales in 2011. Hess further reported that it satisfied its 2014 compliance obligations.

{¶ 6} On April 12, 2016, Hess filed its 2015 RPS report. Hess proposes a baseline of 93,223 MWH, which it asserted was an average of its actual Ohio retail electric sales for 2012, 2013, and 2014. Hess further reported that it satisfied its 2015 compliance obligations.

{¶ 7} March 8, 2018, Staff filed its Review and Recommendations for Hess's RPS reports. Staff reports that Hess is an electric services company in the state of Ohio and, therefore, had an RPS obligation for 2014 and 2015. Staff determined that Hess accurately calculated its 2014 and 2015 RPS compliance obligations. Staff notes that on December 3, 2015, Hess filed notice to abandon its Ohio competitive retail electric service license. In the notice, Hess indicated that its former electric customers were being served by Direct Energy Business Marketing, LLC.

{¶ 8} Upon review of Hess's 2014 and 2015 RPS reports and the records of this proceeding, we adopt Staff's recommendations. We find that Hess's 2014 and 2015 proposed compliance baselines are reasonable, and that Hess has met its compliance obligations for 2014 and 2015.

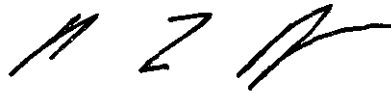
III. ORDER

{¶ 9} It is, therefore,

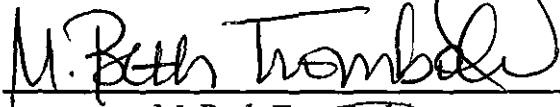
{¶ 10} ORDERED, That Hess's 2014 and 2015 RPS reports be accepted as filed, as Hess has met its RPS compliance obligations for 2014 and 2015. It is, further,

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

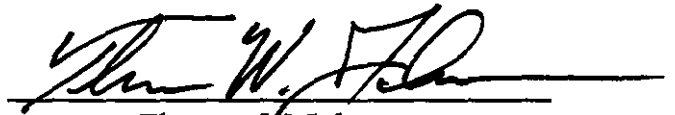
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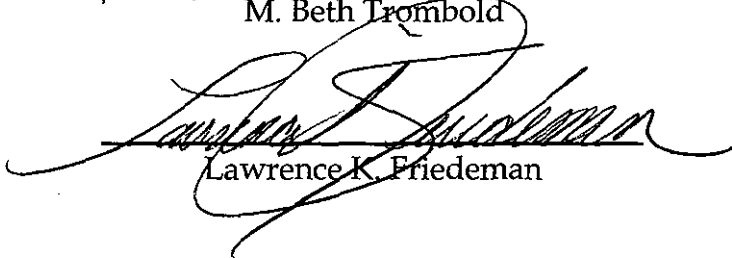
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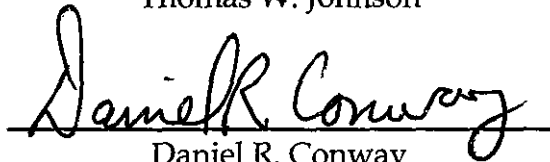
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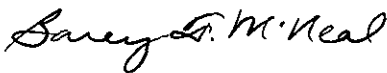


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