

# THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE RENEWABLE  
PORTFOLIO STANDARD COMPLIANCE  
STATUS REPORT FOR 2016 OF ENERGY  
PLUS HOLDINGS, LLC.

CASE NO. 18-671-EL-ACP

## FINDING AND ORDER

Entered in the Journal on September 26, 2019

### I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} The Commission approves the 2017 renewable portfolio standard compliance status report of Energy Plus Holdings, LLC.

### II. DISCUSSION

{¶ 2} Energy Plus Holdings, LLC (EPH) 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 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 April 13, 2018, EPH filed its 2017 RPS report. EPH proposes to use a baseline of 8,004 MWH, which it indicated was its Ohio retail electric sales for 2017. EPH further reported that it satisfied its 2017 compliance obligations.

{¶ 6} On February 20, 2019, Staff filed its Review and Recommendations for EPH's RPS report. Staff reports that EPH is an electric services company in the state of Ohio, and thus had an RPS obligation for 2017. Staff determined that EPH accurately calculated its 2017 RPS compliance obligation. Staff further determined that EPH satisfied its non-solar obligation for 2017, and that the RECs that EPH transferred to its GATS reserve subaccount were appropriately associated with electricity generated no later than December 31, 2017. Finally, Staff found that EPH satisfied its solar obligation for 2017 and that the SRECs that EPH transferred to its GATS reserve subaccount were appropriately associated with electricity generated no later than December 31, 2017.

{¶ 7} Upon review of EPH's 2017 RPS report and the records of these proceedings, we adopt Staff's recommendations. We find that EPH's 2017 proposed compliance baseline is reasonable, and that EPH has met its compliance obligations for 2017. Further, EPH is directed to comply with Staff's recommendations for future compliance years.

### III. ORDER

{¶ 8} It is, therefore,

{¶ 9} ORDERED, That EPH's 2017 RPS report be accepted as filed, as EPH has met its RPS compliance obligations for 2017. It is, further,

{¶ 10} ORDERED, That EPH 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.

COMMISSIONERS:

*Approving:*

Sam Randazzo, Chairman

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