

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application for Certification	:	
As an Ohio Renewable Energy Resource Generating	:	Case No. 18-1780-EL-REN
Facility for Metzler-David-PA-PV-10.8kw Residence	:	

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

CASE HISTORY

On behalf of David Metzler (Applicant), SolSystems (Applicant's representative) filed an application for certification of a renewable energy resource facility on November 30, 2018. The name of the facility is Metzler-David-PA-PV-10.8kw Residence (Facility), located at 125 Robin Dr. Barto, PA 19504. The Facility is owned by the Applicant.

According to the application, the Facility is a 10.08 kilowatt (kW) roof-mounted solar photovoltaic (SPV) system that was placed in-service on September 26, 2018.

The affidavit included in the application is the affidavit for case no. 18-1480-EL-REN. On January 3, 2019 and again on January 18, 2019, Staff asked the Applicant's representative to submit the correct affidavit. An Attorney Examiner issued an entry dated January 28, 2019, that suspended the automatic approval process for this application. The Attorney Examiner entry further indicated that, absent a response to Staff's question within 30 days of the entry, the application may be dismissed. To date, the correct affidavit has not been filed.

STAFF REVIEW

The Staff's review of applications for certification of a renewable energy resource facility consists primarily, but not exclusively, of three items: (1) the deliverability of the facility's output to the state of Ohio, (2) the resource/ technology used at the facility, and (3) the facility's placed in-service date.

1) Deliverability

Qualified renewable facilities must be located in Ohio, or their output deliverable to Ohio, in order to be eligible.¹ The Ohio Administrative Code (Ohio Admin. Code) provides further guidance on this topic where it defines "deliverable into this state" as the following:

¹ R.C. 4928.64(B)(3)

That the electricity originates from a facility within a state contiguous to Ohio. It may also include electricity originating from other locations, pending a demonstration that the electricity could be physically delivered to the state.²

This residential SPV system is located in Pennsylvania and is interconnected with First Energy/GPU/Metropolitan Edison Co. Therefore, Staff concludes that the Facility satisfies the deliverability provision of the statute.

2) Resource/Technology

The Facility is a ground-mounted SPV system, with SPV specifically listed in the statutory definition of a renewable energy resource.³ Staff concludes that the Facility represents a resource or technology that is eligible for certification as a renewable facility under the renewable portfolio standard.

3) Placed In-Service Date

The application indicates that the Facility was placed in-service on September 26, 2018. Staff concludes that the facility satisfies the on or after January 1, 1998, statutory placed in-service requirement.⁴

4) Additional Considerations

- a) A complete application includes a correct affidavit. This application has an incorrect affidavit. Neither the applicant or their representative has not filed the correct affidavit, therefore the application is incomplete.
- b) The facility must be registered with either M-RETS or PJM EIS' GATS, the two attribute tracking systems currently recognized by the Commission. According to the application, the Facility would be registered with GATS.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The application is missing the correct affidavit, therefore the application is incomplete. Because the application is incomplete, Staff recommends that the Commission deny this application for certification.

² Ohio Admin. Code 4901:1-40-01(I)

³ R.C. 4928.01(A)(37)

⁴ R.C. 4928.64(A)(1)

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