

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the 2020 Annual)	
Alternative Energy Portfolio Status)	Case No. 21-0345-EL-ACP
Report of Switch Energy, LLC.)	

**SWITCH ENERGY, LLC’S
2020 ANNUAL ALTERNATIVE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STATUS REPORT**

I. INTRODUCTION

Switch Energy, LLC (“Switch”) is a competitive retail service (“CRES”) provider, as defined in Ohio Revised Code § 4928.01(A)(4), and an electric service company, as defined in Rev. Code § 4928.01(A)(9), having been issued Certificate No. 13-686E (4) by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (“Commission”). Switch provides electric supply to residential, commercial, mercantile and industrial consumers throughout the state of Ohio.

Pursuant to Rev. Code § 4928.64 and Ohio Administrative Code Rule 4901:1-40-05, all Ohio electric service companies are required to file, by April 15th of each year, an annual alternative energy portfolio status report. In this report, electric service companies are required to analyze “all activities undertaken in the previous calendar year to demonstrate how the applicable alternative energy portfolio benchmarks and planning requirements have or will be met.”

II. ANNUAL ALTERNATIVE ENERGY STATUS REPORT

For calendar year 2020, Rev. Code § 4928.64(B)(2) and Admin. Code 4901:1-40- 03 (A)(2) require electric service companies to demonstrate that 5.5 percent of the retail electricity sold was derived from renewable energy resources. The level of these benchmark

requirements is determined by first establishing a baseline number of megawatt hours and then applying the benchmark percentages to that baseline.

A. Baseline Calculation

Under Rule 4901:1-40-03(B)(2)(a), an electric service company's baseline is computed by averaging the number of megawatt hours sold during the three preceding years. As such, Switch computes its baseline as the average of its 2017 through 2019 annual sales data. Calculations for Switch's baseline is provided below.

B. 2020 Renewable and Solar Energy Resource Benchmarks

Based on its annual sales data of 41,881 MWh for 2017, and 45,395 MWh for 2018, and 46,379 MWh for 2019, Switch calculated a baseline of 44,552 MWh for 2020. Based on this baseline, Switch's calculation of its benchmarks for electricity generated from renewable and solar energy resources for the year 2020 is as follows:

<u>2020 Baseline</u>	<u>44,552MWh</u>
Total Renewable Requirement	2,450 MWh

Switch's Compliance Plan Status Report Summary Sheet is attached as Exhibit A.

C. Demonstration of Compliance with 2020 Benchmarks

Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code § 4928.65, electric service companies may meet their renewable energy benchmarks through the use of renewable energy credits ("RECs"). Switch has successfully met its renewable energy benchmarks using a combination of rolling over excess compliance from 2019 and RECs. Switch over-complied in 2019 through the inadvertent use of a prior RPS compliance percentage and requested the ability to rollover the excess from 2019 to apply to 2020.¹ Switch committed to ensuring the use of the proper compliance percentage in the

¹ Pub. Util. Comm. Case No. 20-0827-0917-EL-ACP, Switch Energy, LLC' 2019 Annual Alternative Energy Portfolio Status Report at pp. 2-3. (April 15, 2019).

future. For compliance year 2020, Switch has no excess or deficiency after applying the 2019 excess.

Switch affirms that it will not seek compliance relief related to its 2020 RPS compliance obligations under the 3% cost provision in R.C. 4928.64(C)(3). Finally, Switch does not perceive any impediments to achieving compliance with required benchmarks.

III. CONCLUSION

Switch respectfully requests that the Commission find that Switch has complied with the applicable renewable energy resource benchmarks for 2020 and its associated reporting requirements.

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Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

Compliance Plan Status Report for Compliance Year 2020 Summary Sheet									
		Sales Unadjusted (MWHs)		Proposed Adjustments (MWHs)		Sales Adjusted (MWHs)		Source of Sales Volume Data	
2017		0		0		41,881		(A)	
2018		0		0		45,395		(B)	
2019		0		0		46,379		(C)	
Baseline for 2020 Compliance Obligation (MWHs)						44,552	(D) = AvgABC		
(Note: If using 2020 sales as your baseline, insert that figure in cell I14 and indicate in cell K16 if 2020 sales are adjusted or not.								i.e., Not Adjusted	
5.50%	2020 Statutory Compliance Obligation								
	2020 Total Renewable Benchmark					5.50%	(E)		
	Per ORC 4928.64(B)(2)								
2020 Compliance Obligation									
	RECs/S-RECs Needed for Compliance					2,450	(F) = (D) * (E)		
Carry-Over from Previous Year(s), if applicable									
	RECs/S-RECs (Prior Excess) or Prior Deficiency					-831	(G)		
Total 2020 Compliance Obligations									
	RECs/S-RECs Needed for Compliance					1,619	(H) = (F) + (G)		
2020 Retirements (Per GATS and/or MRETS Data)									
	RECs/S-RECs					1,619	(I)		
Under Compliance in 2020, if applicable									
	RECs/S-RECs					0	(J) = (H) - (I)		
2020 Alternative Compliance Payments									
	Per REC (Case 20-0163-EL-ACP)					\$53.49	(K)		
2020 Payments, if applicable (* See note below)									
	Total					\$0.00	(L) = (J) * (K)		
<p><i>This compliance worksheet was developed by Staff for internal review purposes. However, it may be useful for your company in preparation of its RPS annual compliance status report for the 2020 compliance year. Your company is not required to include this form in its filing, but that is an option. If using this form, your company should insert data in the blue shaded boxes (as applicable). The remaining cells should auto-calculate. <u>However, you should still independently verify the accuracy of the calculations.</u> If the Company is proposing to pay an alternative compliance payment, please refer to OAC 4901:1-40-08 regarding the rounding of obligations. Questions concerning this worksheet can be addressed to Stuart.Siegfried@puco.ohio.gov</i></p>									

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