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## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO In the Matter of the Application of Moraine Wind, LLC, for Certification as an : Case No. 21-516-EL-REN Eligible Ohio Renewable : Energy Source Generating : Facility. In the Matter of the Application of Rugby Wind,: LLC, for Certification as : an Eligible Ohio Renewable: Case No. 21-517-EL-REN Energy Resource Generating: Facility. In the Matter of the Application of Elm Creek : II for Certification as an: Eligible Ohio Renewable : Case No. 21-531-EL-REN Energy Resource Generating: Facility. In the Matter of the Application of Buffalo : Ridge II for Certification: as an Eliqible Ohio : Case No. 21-532-EL-REN Renewable Energy Resource : Generation Facility. : In the Matter of the Application of Barton : Windpower 1 for : Certification as an : Case No. 21-544-EL-REN Eligible Ohio Renewable : Windpower 1 for Energy Resource Generation: Facility. In the Matter of the Application of Barton Windpower, LLC, for Certification as an : Case No. 22-380-EL-REN Eligible Ohio Renewable : Energy Resource Generation: Facility.

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185 1 Tuesday Morning Session, 2 December 6, 2022. 3 EXAMINER HICKS: Let's go ahead and go 4 5 back on the record. 6 We are reconvening this morning in Case 7 No. 21-516-EL-REN, et al. I am still David Hicks. 8 This is still Jacky St. John. Let's just go do quick 9 appearances. Don't need the whole thing, just name, 10 party. Start with the Applicants and then let's just 11 go around the room. 12 MS. WHITFIELD: Sure. On behalf of the 13 Applicants and Avangrid Renewables, LLC, Angie Paul 14 Whitfield, Carpenter Lipps and Leland. 15 MR. RYAN: On behalf of the Northern 16 Indiana Public Service Company, John Ryan. 17 MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, on behalf of Blue 18 Delta Energy, LLC, Kim Bojko and John Wygonski with 19 Carpenter Lipps and Leland. 20 MR. WHITT: On behalf of Carbon Solutions 2.1 Group, LLC, Mark Whitt and Mark DeMonte with Whitt 2.2 Sturtevant. 23 MR. LINDGREN: On behalf of the 24 Commission Staff, Thomas Lindgren and Jodi Bair, 25 Assistant Attorneys General.

186 MS. WOODS: And on behalf of Intervenor 1 2 3Degrees, Nicole Woods with the law firm Ice Miller. 3 EXAMINER HICKS: Thank you all. I believe we left off yesterday with Mr. Stewart having 4 5 been called. Karen -- you can go ahead and come up, 6 Mr. Stewart. I believe I swore you in; is that 7 correct, Karen? 8 COURT REPORTER: Yes. 9 EXAMINER HICKS: So you are still under 10 oath. Did we already -- I believe he was made 11 available for cross-examination, if I am remembering 12 where we left off. 13 MS. BOJKO: I believe so, your Honor. 14 EXAMINER HICKS: Okay. With that I will 15 turn it over to -- are you handling it, Ms. Bojko? 16 MS. BOJKO: Yes. 17 EXAMINER HICKS: Then I will turn it over 18 to you. 19 MS. BOJKO: Thank you, your Honor. 20 21 22 23 24 25

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being previously duly sworn, as prescribed by law, was examined and testified further as follows:

## CROSS-EXAMINATION

5 By Ms. Bojko:

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- Q. Good morning, Mr. Stewart. My name is

  Kim Bojko, and I represent Blue Delta in this case.

  Let's turn to -- first of all, I guess a refresher

  course from yesterday. You've filed direct testimony

  in this case; is that correct?
- 11 A. Yes, it is.
- 12 Q. And that was filed August 26, 2022?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- Q. And you did not file supplemental testimony, correct?
- 16 A. I did not.
- Q. Let's turn to page 3 of your testimony
  then. Page 3, line 60, here you recognize that the
  six facilities at issue in this case have to certify
  their facilities as qualifying renewable energy
  resources in Ohio in order for the facilities to
  generate Ohio renewable energy certificates; is that
  correct?
  - A. Generally, yes.
- Q. And you understand the term renewable

energy certificates to mean RECs?

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- Q. And Ohio -- after a facility becomes certified, then those Ohio REC certificates can be used to satisfy Ohio's renewable portfolio standards; is that correct?
  - A. That's my understanding.
- Q. And some people call that the RPS standards or also a term Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards, AEPS, is often used; is that your understanding?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. On page 3 still of your testimony, lines

  14 63 to 65, you explain that a facility owner must show

  15 that energy from the facility is deliverable into

  16 Ohio, correct?
- A. That's correct. Right there on line 64, yes.
  - Q. And you quote the term because the statutory provision is "deliverable into"; is that correct?
- A. So if you go down to question 8, I reference PUCO rules, particularly line 70,

  "deliverable into the state" and there is an explanation. That's what I am referencing.

- Q. Okay. So you are referencing
  4901:1-40-01(F) of the Ohio Administrative Code when
  you quote "deliverable into"; is that correct?
  - A. That's correct.

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- Q. Are there any other requirements that need to be satisfied in Ohio law to become a certified renewable energy resource?
- I'm not testifying as an expert on all areas of Ohio law. There are qualification standards. There are technology limitations. There are -- there are a lot of different details in there. But really the focus of my testimony has been on deliverability issues and the narrow issues in this case.
- Q. So you understand that here today there are two other requirements besides deliverability in Ohio law that needs to be satisfied to become certified as a qualifying renewable energy resource in Ohio?
- A. I'm sorry, counselor. I am not familiar with what other requirements you are referring to.
- Q. Okay. And so it's fair to say that you are focusing on deliverability, and you are not here today to opine on any other criteria, correct?
  - A. So, counsel, I would just like to refer

you to page 2, line 45, continuing to page 3, down through line 56. These are the areas in which my testimony -- my direct testimony was provided in this case.

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- Q. So you are not offering any opinions on any other criteria then the deliverability criteria; is that correct?
- A. Counsel, page 2, question 6, extending down through page 3, line 56, those are all the areas in which I am offering an opinion in this case.
- Q. And all of those areas that you are offering opinion on deal with the deliverability criterion, not any other criterion in Ohio law, correct?
- A. Counselor, I -- any other area in Ohio law, can you be a bit more specific for me, please?
- Q. I said any other criterion. You do understand that there are three main criteria -- criterions that we are here focused on today which is the placed-in-service date, the type of qualifying renewable resource, and then deliverability; is that your understanding?
  - A. Yes, it is.
- Q. So you are only focusing out of those three on the deliverability criterion, correct?

- A. That's correct. The information regarding the in-service date and the information regarding the technology, those are provided in the applications, and it is not the subject of my direct testimony.
- Q. Okay. And you've already referenced 40-01(F) of the Administrative Code. The other -- your testimony focuses on 4928.64(B)(3) which is stated on line 67, correct?
  - A. That's correct.
- Q. And I see that you are a lawyer, sir.

  Are you testifying today as a lawyer?
  - A. I am not.

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- Q. And so then it's fair to say you are not offering any legal opinions; is that correct?
  - A. That's correct.
  - Q. And also on line 80 and 81 of your testimony, you state that you offer no opinion on whether the Commission can or should interpret the terms differently; is that correct?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- Q. And are you licensed to practice law in Ohio, sir?
- A. I am not.
- Q. Have you ever been employed by a Regional

Transmission Organization?

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- A. I have not.
- Q. Have you ever been employed by a member of a regional transmission organization?
  - A. Yes.
  - O. Which one?
- A. There's a company that is internal to our firm Gabel Associates that is referred to as Jersey Green. That is a PJM member and I am their representative that manages that account.
- 11 Q. But you are employed by Gabel's. You are 12 not employed by the actual member, are you?
  - A. Jersey Green is embedded within Gabel
    Associates. I'm a -- I am hired -- I am employed by
    Gabel Associates.
  - Q. Okay. Today you are not here to testify on behalf of or speak for a Regional Transition Organization, are you?
  - A. No. I am testifying today on behalf of Carbon Solutions Group.
    - Q. So you're not here to testify on behalf of or speak for the market participant that you just stated you are employed for, correct?
- A. No, counselor. I am on behalf of Carbon Solutions Group.

- Q. And CSG, Carbon Solutions Group, is not a member of PJM; is that correct?
- A. I don't have any independent knowledge if they are a member or if they are in an application process, so I cannot verify that, sorry.
- Q. Okay. CSG -- is it okay if I call them CSG?
  - A. Yes, yeah. That's fine.
  - Q. Is an aggregator of solar renewable energy credits mostly for residential solar panels; is that correct?
- A. That is not part of my testimony. It's
  my understanding of CSG's business model; however, I
  am not an expert on everything they do.
  - Q. But you do know that CSG procures and sells RECs; is that correct?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- Q. And you are not an engineer, are you, sir?
- A. I am not.

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- Q. Let's turn to page 5, lines 123, 124 of your testimony. You define a TSR as transmission services reservations; is that correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. And then turn to page 7 of your

- testimony, line 168. Here you define TSR as a transmission service request; is that correct?
- A. 168, that's -- in the question, yes, that's correct.
  - Q. So do you use those terms interchangeably?

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- A. I do. I apologize, counsel. I could have been a bit more clear in my testimony.
- Q. On page 5 of your testimony, lines 108 through 121, you state that RTOs do not exist primarily to conduct simulations, experiments, and academic research about the nature of electromagnet -- magnetism and that their work is done in service of the ultimate goal of ensuring actual physical deliverability; is that correct?
- A. Lines 114 through 115, I say "Their primary mission is to manage electricity markets to ensure that electricity can physically deliverable -- physically be delivered to all loads."
- Q. So are you disputing that you also say on line 112 that they do not exist primarily to conduct simulations, experiments, and research?
  - A. That is not their primary purpose.
- Q. So you agree that that's your testimony today.

- A. My testimony at lines 112 through 114 is my testimony today, yes.
- Q. I'm sorry. I thought you were quibbling with something I said.
  - A. Not at all.

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- Q. Mr. Stewart, are you asserting that RTOs do not use modeling to determine actual physical deliverability?
  - A. I do not assert that, no.
- Q. Do you believe that modeling can be used to demonstrate actual physical deliverability?
- A. The degree of the modeling can be used to assert actual physical deliverability but there are distinctions, and in this case one of the more important items has been this question as to whether or not a DFAX study that purports to take power from one location to another really is -- is just taking -- it's just modeling power from point B to point C but not power from point A to point B to point C.

And in order to get there, the RTOs conduct more granular simulations. They have generator deliverability tests. They have system impact studies which account for things like congestion, things like limits on the transmission

system.

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And in accounting for all of those things, what happens is there is a determination of deliverability. And like the Applicants today have already been through in MISO, those facilities are deliverable sometimes on a firm basis and many — many cases here on a non-firm basis to those loads in MISO. So deliverability can be determined through more granular modeling, just not very high level modeling.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I move to strike everything after I believe he did he say yes at the beginning of that long-winded response. So I move to strike everything after it as nonresponsive to my question. It was a yes or no question.

EXAMINER HICKS: I will deny the motion to strike. Continue your questioning.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) So, Mr. Stewart, you would agree that it's impossible to actually track physical electrons, right?
- A. Impossible to actually track electrons, I'm sorry, counsel, in which context?
- Q. Do you believe that electrons are earmarked and you can track an electron that's produced from a generating facility to an end load

source?

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- A. No. That's -- that's not my testimony.
- Q. So for a system with multiple points of generation and consumption, you agree that we would have to rely on modeling, correct?
- A. I'm sorry, counsel. Rely on modeling for what?
- Q. Rely on modeling to determine when there is a generation inputted into the electric grid and then when generation is exported from the electric grid to load. You have to use modeling to determine where the electrons impact the system.
- A. I'm sorry, counsel. Can you reframe the question?
- Q. Sure. You would agree that you have to use modeling -- an RTO would have to use modeling in order to determine impacts on system when generation is inputted in multiple points on a system.
- A. In order to assess a system impact, an RTO or any electric utility would have to model individual generators or multiple generators to assess that impact on its system, correct.
- Q. Let's turn to page 5 of your testimony, line 123 through page 6, line 131, so question and answer 12 is what I am on.

A. Right.

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- Q. Here you state that RTOs use TSR to demonstrate physical deliverability; is that correct?
- A. My testimony is that deliverability is demonstrated through interconnection, TSR, or obligations to schedule specific energy and then continues down through line 131, but a TSR process can be used to demonstrate deliverability.
- Q. So here are you using that term to mean transmission services reservation or a request?
- A. It would be the -- again, referring to my earlier testimony on this point that two are -- they're equivalent, so a transmission service reservation or transmission service request would initiate the process to demonstrate deliverability to a specific load from a specific generator.
- Q. Are you familiar with the term IDC, interconnection distribution calculator?
- A. Familiar with it but not -- I would say I am familiar with it in terms of the interconnection process, how it comes in, but I wouldn't say that I -- I don't operate one. I don't own one. I don't run modeling for one so.
- Q. So you don't know exactly how it works; is that fair?

A. I would say that's fair.

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Q. And do you know that it does, in fact, use a DFAX study as its basis?

MR. WHITT: Objection. The witness just testified he doesn't know what this thing is. It calls for speculation.

MS. BOJKO: I'm sorry. I will rephrase.

8 I was more asking what he does or doesn't know.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Do you know whether the IDC uses a DFAX study as its basis?
- A. I'm sorry. I don't know if the IDC is in PJM, if it's in MISO, if it's in ISO New England.
  - Q. So you just don't know.
  - A. I just don't know. Sorry.
- Q. Are you aware that the IDC is a NERC tool, not a particular RTO tool?
- A. Counselor, I am not testifying here as an engineer. I am not NERC certified.
  - Q. So you don't know.
- A. I don't know.
- Q. Let's look at lines 125 to 127 of your testimony. Here you also state that the TCRs, in turn, rely on system impact studies to demonstrate deliverability; is that correct?
- 25 A. That's correct.

Q. And in footnote 3 on page 6 of your testimony, you state that the MISO Business Practice Mean -- Manual 11 and PJM Manual 14A discuss system impact studies in detail; is that correct?

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- A. My testimony just between -- I do provide those two references, but to clarify my testimony between lines 130 and 131 is MISO Business Practice Manual 11 addresses these topics in detail referring to the topics immediately addressed before that in lines 127 to 129.
- Q. So your testimony with the footnote is really a cite to the PJM Interconnection manual, not to the -- excuse me. I said that reverse. Strike that.

Your testimony in lines 127 to 131 is really referencing the MISO Business Practice Manual 11, not the PJM manual; is that fair?

- A. It's referencing both. But the footnote references both, and the significance of that is that we are dealing with MISO interconnected resources that are being determined whether or not they were deliverable to specific Ohio loads in PJM, so both processes are relevant and need to be understood for that process.
  - Q. Sure. But I think when focusing on the

footnote here, you talk only about MISO in the -- as I understand it, the sentence with the footnote is about MISO's Business Practice Manual 11 addresses these topics in detail, but then you also cite to the PJM manual.

A. Yes.

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- Q. So you are talking that this only addresses MISO, is that correct, in detail?
- A. While the specific language does say that you can find more detail in MISO BPM 11, there is similar detail in the PJM Manual 14A.
- Q. Thank you for that clarification because I didn't see that in your testimony. That's what I was asking so.
  - A. Okay. I understand.
- Q. And just for the record, you understand, and I think you just stated, MISO and PJM, we just kind of just jumped into those terms, are both Regional Transmission Organizations, right?
- A. Yes. MISO is the Midcontinent
  Independent System Operator, and PJM is PJM
  Interconnection, LLC. MISO manages the midwestern
  portion of the country, south through Louisiana,
  north all the way up to the Dakotas. PJM has
  northern Illinois and then a number of other states

including Ohio in it.

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- Q. And they touch -- many of the states touch each other, is that fair, between MISO and PJM?
- A. MISO and PJM have a robust seam or a border that is common, yes.
- Q. They also have an interconnection agreement between the two, is that correct, joint operating agreement?
  - A. Joint operating agreement, yes.
- Q. Going back to 125 and 127, when we talk about the system impact study referenced in your testimony, isn't it true that a system impact study includes a distribution factor or power flow analysis?
- A. Oh, of course, and it's -- it's important to note that while we are determining deliverability, nothing in my testimony says that DFAX is not a step in that process. It is a step, and it is an important step, but it's not the complete analysis in order to determine deliverability.
- MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I move to strike after, yes, of course. He's being nonresponsive to my question.
- EXAMINER HICKS: Karen, can you read back
  the answer -- or the question and answer, please.

203 (Record read.) 1 2 EXAMINER HICKS: Anything, Mr. Whitt? 3 MR. WHITT: I think he is just explaining what he meant by what he said, of course, and 4 5 explaining that qualifier which is responsive to the 6 question. 7 EXAMINER HICKS: I will grant the motion 8 to strike the answer after, yes, of course. You can 9 develop things further when it's your turn, 10 Mr. Whitt. 11 MR. WHITT: Thank you. 12 MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I 13 would like to mark for identification purposes Blue 14 Delta Exhibit 3, I believe, PJM Manual 14A dated 15 August 24, 2021. 16 EXAMINER HICKS: So marked. 17 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) 18 MS. BOJKO: May I approach, your Honor? 19 EXAMINER HICKS: Sure. 20 Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Sir, do you have in front 2.1 of you what's been marked as Blue Delta Exhibit 3 22 which is the PJM Manual 14A dated August 24, 2021? 23 That is that Revision 29 effective on Α.

And, Mr. Stewart, are you familiar with

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August 24, 2021, yes.

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this document I just handed you?

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- A. I'm generally familiar with PJM Manual 14A. I will note that these documents are subject to ongoing revision, so I am not aware if this is the most recent version of Manual 14A.
- Q. Okay. And you are familiar with PJM Manual 14 itself, correct?
- A. I am but I don't -- I don't know every word in it but generally I am familiar.
- Q. Let's turn to page 24. Can we look at the third paragraph, I guess the third full paragraph on that page. Here it's stating that a system impact study includes a powerflow analysis; is that correct?

  I'm sorry. I guess it's really the second full paragraph on page 24.
  - A. Under the subsection that begins on Section -- on page 23, Section 4.3 System Impact Study and then Section 4.3.1 System Impact Study Analysis and Schedule?
- Q. Yes.
  - A. And then continuing on page 24, system impact study includes AC powerflow analysis and short circuit analysis. Is that the paragraph that you are referring to?
- 25 Q. Yes.

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Q. So you would agree that the PJM manual -- excuse me. Strike that.

You would agree that a system impact study includes a powerflow analysis, correct?

- A. According to this document, which I believe is the most recent version, it is -- I don't know -- is this the most recent version of the document?
- Q. That's my understanding.
- 11 A. Okay. It says "The System Impact Study
  12 includes AC powerflow analysis and short circuit
  13 analysis."
- Q. If we turn to page 25 of the document, under 4.3.1.3 Light Load Common Mode Outage
  Procedure," are you there?
- 17 A. I am.
- Q. Isn't it true that a system impact study considers the distribution factor results of a power flow study?
- A. Sorry, counsel. I just want to make sure
  I am reading the right section here. You are
  referring to Section 4.3.1.3?
- 24 O. Yes.
- 25 A. Thank you.

Q. It talks about a new service request and that they do a distribution factor test when considering new service?

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- A. Thank you, counsel. I am just ensuring I am familiar with this paragraph before I answer any of your questions.
  - Q. Sure. Of course. Take your time.
- A. Thank you. Counsel, can you repeat your question, please?
- Q. Isn't it true that a system impact study considers the distribution factor results of a power flow study?
  - A. Within the context of Section 4.3.1.3?
- Q. Yes. It does in general as well but that context is fine.
- A. I'm sorry, counsel. I don't mean to be difficult, but I'm -- I'm confused. You had asked me an initial question about this section and then you had been referring to something different and I just -- I just need a little bit more clarity if you wouldn't mind.
- Q. Sure. And just to back up, you did state that you are familiar with PJM Manual 14A and that you have reviewed this revision as well as other revisions.

- A. I don't know if this is the most recent revision.
- Q. It -- subject to check, I will confirm that we just checked just to make sure that it is the most recent version.
- A. Thank you. I am familiar with the document.
  - Q. Okay. Okay. Oh, well, that's a good point. You did cite to this testimony in your document, did you not?
- 11 A. I did.

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- Q. Okay. Just make sure we are all on the same page. This is actually the footnote 3 that we were talking about before on page 6, right?
- 15 A. Yes, counsel.
- Q. That's where the citation is to PJM
  Interconnection, LLC, Manual 14A.
  - A. 14A, but not Section 4.3.1.3.
- Q. Okay. You were citing to the entirety of the document; is that not true?
  - A. That's fair.
- Q. Okay. So in the document that you cited to, doesn't the document state that "A New Service request that contributes to the loading of an existing overload is reported if that New Service

request increases the loading by at least 1 percent and contributes at least 5 megawatts or has at least a 5 percent distribution factor"?

- A. That's correct.
- Q. So the system load -- or the system impact study considers the distribution factor results of a power flow study; is that right?
  - A. That's right.
  - Q. Okay.

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MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I would like to mark for identification purposes as Blue Delta Exhibit 4 the MISO Business Practice Manual 11 dated October 31, 2022.

EXAMINER HICKS: So marked.

(EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, may I approach?

EXAMINER HICKS: Yes.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Mr. Stewart, have I handed you what's been marked as Blue Delta Exhibit 4 which is the MISO Business Practices Manual No. 11?
  - A. Effective August 15, 2022, yes.
- Q. And, sir, is this the Manual 11 that you reference in footnote 3 on your -- in your testimony?
  - A. Yes, it is.
    - Q. Okay. And just so we're clear because

you don't have dates in your testimony, this is the August 15, 2022, effective date is the manual on page 3 -- or footnote 3.

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- A. So my testimony was submitted on

  August 26 so could have been -- I don't believe it

  was updated between then, but it may have been this

  one. I can't confirm because I don't monitor the

  website that closely.
- Q. Okay. You wouldn't believe that your testimony would be significantly altered by any revisions that occurred from the prior version to this version, do you?
  - A. Oh, no. I don't believe so.
- Q. Okay. And just -- okay. Let's just back up just so we are all clear here because these are citations you did. I am just trying to pull documents that you cited to. So the PJM Interconnection, LLC, Manual 14A, that revision is effective August 24, 2021, so it's fair to assume that -- if that was the most recent, which we believe it to be, that that is the version you were referring to when you cited it in your testimony.
  - A. That's fair.
- Q. Okay. Okay. And, sir, do you know whether there was a new revised Resource Adequacy

Business Practice Manual No. 11 from MISO since you filed your testimony?

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- A. I believe there have been some modifications that were very recently installed. They are going to relate -- yes, there are -- I believe there have been some modifications that were installed to the manual.
- Q. But you do not believe that that affects your testimony as you have written it, do you?
  - A. It may depending on the question.
- Q. You mean -- just so the record is clear, you are saying depending on the question in your testimony that the new MISO Resource Adequacy
  Business Practice Manual that I believe is dated
  October 31, 2022, may alter responses that you provided in your testimony to the Commission?
- A. Counsel, the copy of the document that I have in front of me is dated August 15, 2022. And so if that's different than the copies that the Bench has or somebody else, this is the copy that's in front of me. Any of the changes that have taken place in the MISO Resource Adequacy space would not change my direct testimony. However, whether or not -- whether or not the modifications between August and today inside the Resource Adequacy BPM

- may -- it -- they may change my responses to your
  questions.
- Q. Okay. When you said questions, I thought you were talking about your testimony questions. You are talking about any of my questions.
  - A. Yes, yes.

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- Q. So then just so we are all clear, the document you cited to in footnote 3 was the August 15, 2022, which at the time would have been the latest version; is that fair?
  - A. Yes, yes.
- Q. Okay. And sitting here today, do you believe that the October 31, 2022, version would alter or change your direct testimony in any way?
  - A. No.
- Q. Thank you. So it's fair to assume you've reviewed this document, is that correct, what's been marked as Blue Delta Exhibit 4?
  - MR. WHITT: I'll object.
  - A. I'm --
- 21 EXAMINER HICKS: Wait, wait. Go ahead.
- MR. WHITT: The hypothetical can't be assumed because the witness was just handed the document moments ago.
- 25 EXAMINER HICKS: I can't hear you,

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MR. WHITT: It can't be assumed that the witness has reviewed a document that was just handed to him a few minutes ago and that he has been answering questions about.

EXAMINER HICKS: You don't need to.

I am going to overrule the objection. I mean, he cites it in his own testimony so he can -- if you need to clarify, go ahead but that's a fair question.

MR. WHITT: Well, let the record reflect it is a 211-page document.

EXAMINER HICKS: So are you submitting that he didn't review it and cited it in his testimony?

MR. WHITT: No, your Honor. What I am objecting to is the attempt to set up an argument that because he says he's familiar with it that they can pull out something in the document later -- they won't question him about it today, but later on they will pull some snippet out of the document, cite it in their brief, and argue there was some implicit agreement with something --

EXAMINER HICKS: Sounds like a great point to bring up on your reply brief so we are going

to overrule the objection and he can answer.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Sir, just so the record is clear, in footnote 3 you cited to the entirety of the document. You have no page number listed. You don't even have a date listed; is that fair? That's footnote 3.
  - A. Yes, counsel.
- Q. Okay. So let's turn to page 88 of the document that's been marked as Blue Delta Exhibit 4.
- A. I'm sorry, counsel. Can I just ask a clarifying question?
- Q. Of course.

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- A. So the version that I have is dated

  August 15. Is the version you have dated August 15

  or October 31?
  - Q. It is dated August 15 because we assumed that was the version that you cited to since October 31 had not -- had occurred after the filing of your testimony.
  - A. That's good.
- 21 Q. Is that a fair assumption?
- A. As long as everybody has the same copy, I am good with that. Thanks, counsel.
- Q. Well, I thought you explained to me that you cited to the August 15, 2022, version. Is that

no longer correct?

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A. I did. I just wanted to make sure.

There was a reference to October 31 and there have been a lot of changes in the footprint over those two months and I wanted to make sure just that the document that I have is consistent with what everybody else has.

EXAMINER HICKS: Everybody has the August 15 which has been marked Blue Delta Exhibit 4.

MS. BOJKO: Thank you, your Honor.

THE WITNESS: Thank you, your Honor.

EXAMINER HICKS: Yes.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Oh, excuse me. Let's turn to page 92 of the document. There's a section on page 92 called "Transfer Analysis." Do you see that?
  - A. Yes, I do.
- Q. In this paragraph doesn't it say that "Transfer capacity is the measure of the ability of interconnected electric systems to reliably transfer power from one area to the" other -- excuse me, "one area to another"?
- A. So inside of the local -- local requirements and transfer capability analysis that MISO does within its own footprint and to determine capacity import and capacity export limits, that

is -- that is where this transfer analysis applies to, and the transfer capability is the measure of the ability of the interconnected electric systems to reliability -- to reliably transfer power from one area to another under certain system conditions is cited on page 92.

Q. Thank you. And in the next paragraph below the formula, doesn't MISO -- the MISO manual, Business Practice Manual 11, state that a distribution factor analysis is used to help determine transfer capacity?

EXAMINER HICKS: Ms. Bojko, can you point out where you are when you are reading?

MS. BOJKO: Oh, I wasn't reading, I'm sorry. I just asked my question. I am in the paragraph underneath the formula. My apologies.

EXAMINER HICKS: Okay. Thank you.

- A. In order to determine capacity import and capacity export limits between local resource zones in MISO, this is the initial type of power flow analysis and distribution factor analysis that is used to determine those factors.
- Q. Okay. So a distribution factor analysis is used to help determine transfer capacity.
- 25 A. Yes.

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Q. Moving on -- let's go back to page 6 of your direct testimony, if you would, please, sir.

The paragraph A13 starting at line 134, here you discuss PJM's analysis for qualification of capacity resources, correct?

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- A. The qualification of external capacity resources, yes.
- Q. And to your knowledge, does the Ohio REN certification rules and law require facilities to qualify as a PJM capacity resource?

MR. WHITT: Objection, beyond the scope of direct. The witness made very clear he is offering no legal interpretations or opinions.

EXAMINER HICKS: Overruled.

- A. Counsel, can you repeat the question?
- Q. Sure. Isn't it true that Ohio's REN certification rules and requirements, the whole purpose of you testifying today, does not specifically require renewable facilities to qualify as a PJM capacity resource?
  - A. That's correct.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, this --

Q. And you did state, because you cited to it in your testimony, sir, you've reviewed the Commission's certification rules, Ohio Admin Code

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1 4901:1-40-04? You cite to it on page 3 of your 2 testimony.
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- A. That's where it was.
- Q. Line 69, excuse me, you cite to a portion of it.
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- Q. Is that right?
- A. Subsection (F), yes.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I would like to mark just for identification purposes for discussion only 4901:1-40-04. May I approach?

EXAMINER HICKS: So marked and you may approach.

14 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

15 EXAMINER ST. JOHN: Just -- you said

16 | 40-04. Did you mean 40-01?

MS. BOJKO: No, 40-04, your Honor.

EXAMINER ST. JOHN: Okay. Thank you.

- A. Counselor, I cite to 4901:1-40-01.
- Q. Fair enough. Fair enough.

MS. BOJKO: I still would like to mark
and ask the witness if he's reviewed this, if that's
okay, your Honor.

24 EXAMINER HICKS: It is.

Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Sir -- let me pass it out.

Sir, do you have in front of you what's been identified as Blue Delta Exhibit 5 which is an Administrative Code Rule 4901:1-40-04?

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- Q. And if you look under the title
  "Qualified resources," this is Rule 4 of Chapter
  4901:1-40 which is the Alternative Energy Portfolio
  Standard; is that correct?
  - A. I believe so, yes.
- Q. And in your testimony you cite to Rule 1 under that Chapter 40 and so this is Rule 4 under Chapter 40; is that fair?
  - A. That's fair.
- Q. So in preparing your testimony, did you review the entire Chapter 40, the entire Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards in Ohio?
- A. Counselor, I believe I reviewed a good portion of it. I don't know if I reviewed every section of it.
- Q. So you did not review what a qualified resource technology would be under the Commission -- or did you -- excuse me. Let me just ask you. Did you review 04, the qualified resources, to determine what would be considered a qualified resource in the State of Ohio?

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- Q. Okay. Under the discussion of qualified resources or qualified resource in the State of Ohio, is -- anywhere in this rule, does it state that a facility must qualify as PJM capacity resource to obtain REN certification?
  - A. Not to my recollection.
- Q. Let's go to -- back to page 6 beginning on line 139 of your testimony, please, sir. Here you state to qualify -- actually, I'm sorry. Let's go to 134. Here you state that to qualify as a capacity resource, a facility must pass a market-to-market flowgate test; is that correct?
- A. That's not in line 134 but I get there right around line 137 to 140.
- Q. Fair enough. And doesn't a market-to-market flowgate test include a distribution factor analysis?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. And can a market-to-market flowgate test be conducted without using distribution factors?
  - A. I don't believe so.
- Q. Do you believe it's possible for MISO to perform an SIS or transfer analysis without a power flow study? Sorry, SIS, system impact study.

These studies are -- they are 1 Α. No. 2 complex, so they are multiple steps, and the first step, like I have noted earlier in my testimony, is a 3 power flow study. 4 5 MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I would like to 6 mark for identification purposes as Blue Delta 7 Exhibit 6 a PJM document titled "Dynamic Transfers: Market-to-Market Flowgate Test" dated May 2019. 8 9 EXAMINER HICKS: So marked. 10 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) 11 MS. BOJKO: May I approach, your Honor? 12 EXAMINER HICKS: Yes. 13 Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Mr. Stewart, do you have 14 in front of you what's been previously marked as Blue Delta Exhibit 6 which is a PJM document titled 15 16 "Dynamic Transfers: Market-to-Market Flowgate Test" 17 dated May 2019? 18 Yes, I do. Α. 19 Is this the document you cite on page 6 Ο. 20 of your testimony in footnote 4? 2.1 Α. Sorry, counsel. I have a lot of papers 22 up here. Yes, it is. 23 So is it fair to assume that you are Ο. 24 familiar with this document?

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Yes, it is.

- 1 Q. Let's turn to the document itself on page
- 2 2. Under Section 2, the market-to-market flowgate 3 test, are you there?
  - A. Yes, I am.

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- Q. Isn't it true that this test uses computer programs to perform sensitivity analyses to determine the percent impact or generation-to-load distribution factor which is also called GLDF?
- A. That's right but some context here is really important. So if we go all the way up to the top of page 2 --
- Q. I was just asking you about Section 2. I think your counsel can handle that on redirect for context.
- 15 A. Okay.
- Q. So GLDF is a distribution factor test; is that correct?
- 18 A. That's correct.
- Q. And isn't the DFAX study also a distribution factor test?
- 21 A. Which DFAX study?
- Q. Well, isn't DFAX -- a DFAX study is short for distribution factor test; is that right?
- 24 A. Yes, that is correct.
- Q. And PJM, which is the document that you

have in front of you, does a DFAX study analysis.

They have performed those in the past; is that right?

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- A. Also those are two separate items. The document I have in front of me is for external resources for market-to-market flowgates, and the DFAX in questions today under the applications are a separate DFAX analysis.
- Q. Sure. I am asking if they are both distribution factor tests.
- A. They are in the same class of tests, but they are entirely different analyses.
- Q. Okay. Well, let's turn back to page 8 of your direct testimony. Let's go to lines 184 through 187. And here is where you say the Applicant -- I'm sorry, you use Applicant throughout your testimony. You do mean Applicants plural, right? You are talking about the six facilities when you use the term Applicant?
  - A. Yes; yes, that's right.
  - Q. Okay. Here you state that the Applicant provided the distribution factor studies from PJM, is that right, for the resources, the renewable resources in the applications?
- A. I don't state that they come from PJM. I said the Applicant provided DFAX studies for the

resources in question.

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- Q. Okay. So you don't think that the Applicants received DFAX studies from PJM.
- A. I know the document that I reviewed. I know that there is a cover letter that says they are PJM. I don't know who got them. I don't know who performed them. I don't know if it was Mr. Aaron Berner as was testified yesterday, but I reviewed the same document that everybody else did.
- Q. I'm sorry. Do you have a reason to believe that someone stole the PJM label that's copyrighted and put it on a DFAX analysis?

  MR. WHITT: I am going to object and

MR. WHITT: I am going to object and calls for speculation.

EXAMINER HICKS: Sustained. Move on.

Q. (By Ms. Bojko) You have no reason to believe that the DFAX study analyses that were discussed yesterday did not come from PJM, do you?

MR. WHITT: Objection. It's further beyond the scope of direct. He hasn't sponsored any DFAX studies. They sponsored them. He doesn't -- as he said, he doesn't purport to authenticate or say anything other than he's -- knows what the other side has produced.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, he questioned it.

I am asking -- he opened the door when he said what he said. I am happy to move to strike his response.

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EXAMINER HICKS: Move to strike?

MS. BOJKO: If he is allowed to testify and I cannot follow up questions to what he testified, then I would move to strike the testimony that he elicit -- or stated about the PJM DFAX analysis.

MR. WHITT: If I may, your Honor, the problem is the attempt to elicit testimony that he has not given.

into the discussion on whether there is scope issues on cross-examination. That's a law school exam. The whole thing -- you quoted his testimony and inserted PJM. He read it back to you saying it didn't have it. I will let you -- do you have any reason to believe they didn't come from PJM? What is your understanding of the documents?

THE WITNESS: My understanding of the document they have a PJM cover letter on them. I have no -- there's nothing that was independently provided to me that indicates that there was an imposter or somebody else. However, I only read the documents that the Applicants provided. I don't have

any independent contact with PJM or anybody else with respect to these documents.

EXAMINER HICKS: There we go.

MS. BOJKO: Thank you, your Honor.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) So when you refer to the Applicants' DFAX studies provided, did you review those DFAX studies?
  - A. Yes, I did.

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- Q. And because on page 9, line 213, you argue that the DFAX studies provided presuppose deliverability, don't you?
- A. I just quote PJM who says -- PJM's cover letter document, sorry, the power from the Applicants' facilities would be expected to flow if they were -- if they were to deliver their energy into PJM.
- Q. Okay. Now I am really confused. You do believe that these were PJM DFAX studies, correct?
- A. The documents that I read stated that the power from the Applicants' facilities would be expected to flow if they were to deliver their energy into PJM.
- Q. Okay. And you are aware that PJM performs DFAX studies; is that correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

Q. And you used the words that DFAX studies presuppose deliverability on line 213, correct?

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- A. My response here is limited to the DFAX studies that were provided from the Applicants because when we're thinking about a DFAX analysis from a facility that's located in Minnesota, in South Dakota, that's all the way out here at point A, and then we have to get the power to point B and then to point C. The DFAX studies provided from PJM only evaluate the impacts if the power gets from point B to point C. They don't evaluate what happens between point A and B. It presupposes there is delivery at point B and then evaluates the impact at point C in Ohio.
  - Q. So in the DFAX study that you reviewed, what source did PJM assume? The facility or some middle point that you just referenced?
  - A. The source of the generation is the facility assuming that energy is delivered to PJM but there's -- there are hundreds of miles of transmission assets in MISO that are going to affect the delivery of that energy. So PJM's study on its own statement says that they don't account for any of this. They assume it's being delivered into PJM.
    - Q. Okay. So under your analysis, you're

- stating that the PJM DFAX analysis assumes

  100 percent deliver -- deliverable -- deliverability

  to point C in your analysis and that's not correct,

  is it?
- A. I -- that was not my testimony, counsel.

  That was not my testimony.
  - Q. So you would agree with me --
  - A. I don't.
  - Q. -- that -- right. You would agree with me that the PJM analysis, the DFAX studies, the source of the generation was the renewable facility, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. And you would also agree with me that PJM does not assume 100 percent of that generation is deliverable to the end point in Ohio, correct?
- 18 A. That's correct, and that was not my
  19 testimony.
- Q. And isn't it true that the PJM DFAX
  analyses that were performed had end points outside
  of Ohio?
- 23 A. There --
- Q. Yeah.
- 25 A. Is that the question?

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- A. Yes, the end points potentially outside of Ohio were included in the listed facilities.
- Q. Is it your testimony that the DFAX studies presuppose a certain distribution factor impact on Ohio transmission lines?
  - A. No.
- Q. Let's look at page 10, line 234, of your testimony here going over through page 11, line 236, you state that "A Firm Point to Point Transmission Service Reservation ensures that energy from a facility is physically deliverable to a specific location or load," correct?
  - A. That's correct.
- Q. But a TSR does not actually guarantee that electrons from a generation resource will actually flow across a transmission line under all conditions, does it?
- A. So the concept here is physically deliverable. And we've covered some basic concepts just on what deliverability requires, the quality of analysis that is required to reach that determination of deliverability. And inside of a transmission service reservation process, we do have a DFAX study, and we have something called a firm transmission

feasibility study, and we look at all the potential impacts on the transmission system, its limits, other transmission service reservations, and other generation.

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And with that we can make a determination as to whether or not additional transmission upgrades are needed to accommodate those new injections or if a resource is deliverable on its own. So while a TSR does not guarantee specific electrons will flow to specific load, it ensures a robust process is in place where specific load is being served with deliverable generation.

- Q. Thank you for that explanation. So it only -- a TSR only guarantees that there is enough transmission available so that the electricity could flow over the transmission line; isn't that correct?
- A. That would be -- I think that's a fair couch of -- a fair categorization of what TSR can do.
- Q. Thank you. So is it your contention today facilities within PJM should have to secure a firm point-to-point transmission service reservation to be deliverable into Ohio?
- A. The concept of deliverability can be demonstrated through a series of interconnection studies or through a firm point-to-point reservation,

and so if specific load is seeking to -- is seeking 1 2 to use energy from a specific resource, a firm point-to-point reservation can assist with this. 3 However, if a resource was just to interconnect in 4 5 Ohio and be deliverable to Ohio load, it would walk 6 through the interconnection process, go through the 7 initial step of that DFAX analysis we covered, and then the more granular engineering studies. 8

- Q. So are you contending that the DFAX study does not register or determine the impact on Ohio transmission lines?
- A. A DFAX study does not assure deliverability. It can assess impacts on transmission lines.

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- Q. And the TSR doesn't guarantee deliverability -- deliverable either, does it?
- A. The TSR process does -- does work through a deliverability process.
  - Q. But it doesn't quarantee it, does it?
  - A. I don't understand what you mean by guarantee.
  - Q. Well, sure. Isn't it true that transmission gets curtailed all the time?
- A. But that's not what deliverability means.

  It doesn't mean under all circumstances. Ohio this

past summer had some outages because their -- it was very -- there was really hot weather so it -- there are resources that are deliverable to load in Ohio, but it doesn't guarantee that the electrons flow there all the time.

Q. Right. Thank you. Let's turn to page 10 of your testimony, line -- I'm sorry. We are over on page 11, 241, lines 241 to 244. You state that the Commission should use historical settlement data to determine deliverability; is that correct?

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MR. WHITT: Objection, objection. I think counsel misread the testimony on 241.

EXAMINER HICKS: Can you just ask the question again? I don't know if you read it correctly or not.

MS. BOJKO: Oh, he -- he might be quibbling with my word of could versus should.

MR. WHITT: Could and should.

Q. (By Ms. Bojko) You state that the

Commission could use historical settlement data to

determine deliverability; is that correct?

MS. BOJKO: Thank you for the

clarification.

A. Yeah. Inside this question I am not

telling the Commission to do anything. I am just providing ways in which deliverability can be demonstrated from an existing facility that has been operating for 15 years. So in this — in one of the options just look at the settlement data and see how many megawatts from these resources have actually settled here in Ohio.

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- Q. Settled meaning a financial transaction; is that correct?
- A. Could be a financial transaction or it could be through firm point-to-point reservation that has a -- that has a PPA attached to it.
- Q. Sure. If there was a firm-to-firm point transaction that has a PPA attached and the settlement -- the settlement only assumes actual deliverability, right? You only pay for what you receive, so it's actual deliverability; is that right?
- A. Depending on the PPA, depending on the context, but it can be, yes.
- Q. Right. So a TSR and a PPA do not guarantee actual delivery and neither does the use of his -- strike that.

A TSR does not guarantee actual deliverability and neither does a firm-to-firm point

transmission contract, does it?

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- Counsel, the concept of physically delivering megawatts and being designated as 3 deliverable, while they are similar they are a little 4 5 bit distinct and this is an important distinction. 6 It's kind of like a Venn diagram that overlaps a bit. 7 There are megawatts from facilities that reach specific load but in the concept and context of 8 9 deliverability, how PJM certifies external resources 10 to be deliverable to its load, Ohio is within PJM. 11 The concept of deliverability provides a high 12 certainty that those specific facilities are 13 deliverable to serve specific load.
  - Ο. And it's your contention physical deliverability has a financial element; is that fair?
  - Α. Physical -- I'm sorry, counsel. I am not following your question.
  - I asked if you believe that physical Q. deliverability has a financial element.
    - Α. In which context, counsel?
  - Ο. You say historical settlement data is a way to determine actual physical deliverability so that is a financial element, is it not?
    - That is, yeah. Α.
      - Q. And is it your contention that contracts

- can -- you talked about a PPA. That's a contract.

  Is it your contention that contracts can demonstrate actual physical deliverability?
  - A. Depends on -- it would depend on the language in the contract.
  - Q. Fair enough. But it doesn't determine actual physical deliverability. Whether you get paid or not is different than actual physical deliverability, isn't it?
    - A. Those are separate concepts, yes.
  - Q. Thank you. And looking at lines 270 to 272 on your -- in your testimony, you state that one of the limitations of the Koda test is it relies on modeling regardless of the commercial arrangements applicable to the facility; is that right?
  - A. Can you -- can you point me to that directly?
    - Q. Sure. 270 to 272.
  - A. Thank you. Yes.

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- Q. And commercial arrangements in this context is a contract; is that correct?
- A. Within the context of Koda, yes, it was.

  MS. BOJKO: At this time, your Honor, I

  would like to -- I guess it's already been marked,

  but I don't believe the witness has a copy, so I

would like to present a copy. I would like -- may I
approach?

EXAMINER HICKS: Yes.

MS. BOJKO: This has previously been marked as Blue Delta Exhibit 2, Attachment A. And for identification purposes this is CSG's Revised Supplemental Responses and Objections to the First Set of Discovery.

EXAMINER HICKS: Okay.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Sir, do you have in front of you what's been previously marked as Blue Delta Exhibit 2, Attachment A, which are --
  - A. Yes.
- Q. -- Carbon Solutions Group's revised supplemental discovery responses?
- A. Yes.

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- Q. Mr. Stewart, are you familiar with the responses to discovery that your client submitted in this case?
- A. I am generally familiar, but I -- many of these documents were -- were -- these were prepared by counsel and the client, not by me.
- Q. So let -- let's just talk about one and see if you are familiar with it. You did not sponsor any discovery responses then; is that fair?

- A. I -- I don't recall, but certainly these processes involve a lot of coordination.
- Q. Okay. Sure. Fair enough. I just don't know because there's no responsible person listed on these as I -- as you may expect, so I will just have to ask you the question then, if that's fair.
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. So I am turning to page 9 and 10 of the responses. I am looking at -- it's the bottom of 9. It's the Interrogatory-01-20. Do you see that? I will give you a moment.
  - A. Marked page 10?
- Q. It starts on page 9 and goes over to page 14 10.
  - A. Yes; yes, I see that.
  - Q. I will give you a moment to read the interrogatory.

Are you done?

- A. Yes.
- Q. The interrogatory asks does -- whether CSG, your client, maintains that the contract path of electricity demonstrates actual physical deliverability of that electricity, and then if you go to the very end, there is actually a substantive response. I don't want to ask you about the legal

- objections, but if you go to the end, it says that CSG states no. Do you see that?
- A. So the -- just so I am clear here, the question is Interrogatory-01-20, and then the answer is, I don't know, two spaces above the Interrogatory-01-21.
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A. Okay. Yes.

MR. WHITT:

Q. Okay. So the answer is no to that question. Do you agree with that response?

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, he is here testifying on behalf of CSG today and testifies to contract deliverability and physical deliverability, and I am asking if he agrees with whether a contract path of electricity demonstrates actual physical deliverability of that electricity.

Objection, relevance.

MR. WHITT: Right, but the witness is not a party to the case. We are happy to stipulate that the interrogatory responses, verified responses, of the company are admissible as admissions that the answer to the question is no. That answer binds the company regardless of whether this witness agrees with it.

EXAMINER HICKS: But he is testifying

about -- I will overrule the objection. He can answer whether he agrees or not.

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MS. BOJKO: Thank you, your Honor.

- A. I agree with CSG's position.
- Q. Does the existence of a contract change the actual flow of electrons?
  - A. It depends on the term of the contract.
- Q. Does the physics of the system change the actual -- change whether you have a contract or not?
  - A. Those physics do not change.
- Q. Thank you. Mr. Stewart, have you reviewed the Commission's previous orders in rulemaking proceedings related to the deliverability requirement and whether there is a financial element to that or whether there should be a financial element to that deliverability requirement?
- A. Counsel, I'm -- I don't -- I can't say for certain. I can't say for certain.
  - Q. Fair enough.

MS. BOJKO: At this time, your Honor, then I would like to mark for identification purposes
Blue Delta Exhibit 7.

EXAMINER HICKS: Which is?

MS. BOJKO: Oh, sorry. A Finding and

Order issued on December 19, 2018, Case No.

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May I approach, your Honor?

EXAMINER HICKS: Yes. And if I didn't say it, it is so marked as Exhibit 7. Sorry.

(EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Mr. Stewart, I've handed you what's been marked as Blue Delta Exhibit 7, and it's a Finding and Order in Case 12-2156-EL-ORD. Would you take a minute just to review that.
  - A. Counsel, it's --
- Q. Fair enough. I am just -- you said you aren't certain of whether you have reviewed these before, so my question to you is this one of the orders that you may have reviewed in preparation of your testimony?
  - A. I don't recall, counsel.

EXAMINER HICKS: You don't recall if you have reviewed it or you -- I'm -- or you don't recall that -- I am going to say it the same way, but I think there is two ways to interpret that.

THE WITNESS: Yeah. Sorry, your Honor.

This exact case heading isn't jumping out to me. I

don't know if I am familiar with it.

EXAMINER HICKS: That's valid.

Q. (By Ms. Bojko) And, sir, you wouldn't

know whether CSG intervened in this case, would you?

A. I am not familiar with the procedural history in this case.

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Q. Okay. You can put that aside.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I would like to mark for identification purposes as Blue Delta Exhibit 8 an Opinion and Order issued on April 15, 2002, in Case No. 08-888-EL-ORD.

EXAMINER HICKS: So marked.

(EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

MS. BOJKO: May I approach, your Honor?

EXAMINER HICKS: Yes.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Sir, I've handed you what's been marked as Blue Delta Exhibit 8 which is an Opinion and Order issued on April 15, 2009, in Case No. 08-888-EL-ORD. Does this appear -- or does this refresh your recollection of whether you've reviewed this Opinion and Order previously?
  - A. It looks more familiar than the last one.
- Q. Do you know whether you reviewed this Opinion and Order in drafting your testimony?
  - A. I don't. I don't.
- Q. Let's turn to page 28 to focus the questions to see if you recall. The case caption of this appears that it is a rulemaking proceeding

spurred by an amendment to -- or an amendment to the rules by Amended Substitute Senate Bill 221, is that fair, if you look at the case caption?

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- A. Amended Substitute House Bill 221 was enacted among other things. Yeah, it looks like to be the general subject.
- Q. Okay. If we could turn to page 28, and this was before the Commission was actually numbering helpful paragraphs, so if you turn to --

EXAMINER HICKS: Way before my time.

- Q. -- page 28, unfortunately not before mine, and look at the second paragraph on page 28.

  I'm sorry, look at the first full paragraph, I think that's more helpful, starting with "While some comments."
- A. So just -- just for context here, can you provide me with a little bit more background detail as to where -- or do you want me to take some time to familiarize myself?
- Q. Actually I was -- I was hoping or thinking this might spur your memory on what you may or may not have reviewed before your testimony. Do you recall this?
- MS. BOJKO: I don't want to ask any question he is not familiar.

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                 EXAMINER HICKS: So let's ask that
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     Let's come back at 10:45. Does that work?
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                 MS. BOJKO: Thank you.
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- looking at a Commission Order, Opinion and Order, issued April 15, 2009, Case No. 08-888-EL-ORD. And I had referred you to a paragraph on page 28. Have you had a chance to review that paragraph and the document?
- A. I did not -- I did not review the document in its entirety. However, I did briefly review the space inside of the Order where we are at. It is half of page 27 and half of page 28.
- Q. Okay. And after your review, does this refresh your recollection of whether you reviewed this Opinion and Order prior to the filing of your testimony?
  - A. It doesn't.

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- Q. Okay. So you don't believe you reviewed the Commission's decision in this regarding the rulemaking surrounding the deliverability standard?
- A. I'm not -- I don't believe that I reviewed this 2009 order.
  - Q. Okay. I guess I will just ask you do you know which order you may have reviewed?
    - A. I don't. It's a research process.
- Q. Okay. And it was a rulemaking proceeding regarding the deliverability standard at the Commission?

- A. I don't recall, counsel.
- Q. Okay. You do discuss, however, the Koda test in your testimony; is that correct?
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. Did you review the Staff Report in the Koda case? And that's -- excuse me. For the record it's Koda Energy was a case. It was a renewable facility and that created what's been called the Koda test that you refer to in your testimony; is that correct?
- 11 A. The Staff Report that I did review is on 12 page 12 of my testimony, footnote 3. I'm sorry, 13 footnote 13. Sorry, counsel.
- Q. That's okay. And this Koda Energy Staff
  Report was issued February 28, 2011, that you cite
  to: is that correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. Did you review the Commission decision
  that was issued which is cited in your testimony in
  footnote 12?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. And that Commission decision was issued
  March 23, 2011; is that correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. I'm turning to page 14 of your testimony,

lines 303 to 306. There's a sentence beginning on 303. It states "Koda allows for the owner of a generation facility to cause the study to be performed 'if the generating facility was not modeled by the RTO, because it is not yet operational or not yet had its resource studies completed.'" Did I read that correctly?

- A. Yes. And I am citing the Staff Report.
- Q. In part, part of the sentence that I read was citing the Staff Report, correct?
  - A. That's correct.
- Q. Do you have a copy of that Koda Staff
  Report in front of you, sir?
  - A. No, I do not.

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MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I would like to mark for identification purposes as Blue Delta Exhibit 9, the Staff Report issued on February 28, 2011, in Case 09-0555-EL-REN.

EXAMINER HICKS: So marked.

(EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

MS. BOJKO: May I approach, your Honor?

EXAMINER HICKS: Yes.

Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Sir, do you have in front you of what's been marked as Blue Delta Exhibit 9, the Staff Report issued February 28, 2011, in Case

No. 09-555?

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- A. Yes.
- Q. And is this the Staff Report that you cited to in your testimony?
- A. Yes. The Review and Recommendations
  Submitted on Behalf of the Staff of the Public
  Utilities Commission of Ohio.
- Q. And is it fair to assume you've reviewed this document, sir?
  - A. I have reviewed this document.
- Q. And isn't it true that in Koda, the Commission ultimately denied certification because they found that the facility in question did not pass the deliverability test?
- A. Koda involved a MISO-based facility, and in Koda, both MISO and PJM DFAX studies were performed. And the Commission did ultimately reject that application for failing to meet the two standards, first one was DFAX, second one was megawatt impact.
- Q. On page 13 of your direct testimony, beginning on line 286, you mentioned two differences since the Koda test was created. Do you see that?
  - A. One second, counsel. Page 13?
- 25 Q. Yes, 286.

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- Q. And one of the changes or differences that you mentioned is a change of RTO footprints on line 291; is that correct?
- 5 A. I will start with the RTO footprints, 6 yes.
  - Q. And you think this impacts the validity of the Koda test, correct?
    - A. That was not my testimony.
  - Q. Do you think that this impacts the applicability of the Koda test to the applications in this case?
    - A. No. Koda required -- inside the Koda case DFAX studies were performed and submitted by both MISO and PJM. And in the present matter we only have a DFAX study from PJM.
  - Q. Yeah. So the only issue that you are contesting is who performed the DFAX studies?
    - A. I wouldn't say that's the only issue that I am contesting but that's a distinction between Koda and what we have presented today.
- Q. Okay. Well, on line 291, you say that
  there was a change of RTO footprints from Koda -- I
  assumed you meant from Koda to today; is that not
  accurate?

- A. So back when Koda was litigated, part of Ohio was located in the Midcontinent ISO footprint and part of that was located in PJM. Since then Ohio is no longer a part of MISO and is entirely encompassed by the PJM service territory.
- Q. And you state in your testimony on line 295 that that change -- you claim that that change occurred in 2011; is that right?
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- Q. Well, isn't it true that after 2011, there was still part of Ohio that was in MISO?
  - A. I believe you are referring to OVEC.
  - Q. No. Isn't it true -- oh, sorry.
  - A. I'm sorry.
- Q. I didn't mean to interrupt you. I apologize.
- 17 EXAMINER HICKS: Go ahead and finish.
  - A. It's a small portion along -- it's a very small portion on the seam but the -- there was some portion of Ohio that was connected to -- to MISO, very, very small portion.
- Q. Well, isn't it true that Duke Energy Ohio did not change RTOs until 2012?
- A. It may be. My recollection was that it was in 2011.

MS. BOJKO: One minute, your Honors.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) I'll come back to that, but it's your contention you believe all of Ohio was in PJM in 2011 except for OVEC; is that correct?
- A. That wasn't my testimony. But since 2011, between the time that Koda was decided and today, there have been material changes in Ohio's footprint. Today no portion of Ohio is in MISO.
- Q. Okay. And you don't know what date all of Ohio became in MISO.
  - A. I don't recall those exact dates.
- Q. So the Koda test was created in 2011 and that Koda test has been applied consistently by the Commission since it was initially adopted in 2011, correct --

MR. WHITT: Objection, calls for --

Q. -- to your knowledge?

MR. WHITT: Calls for a legal conclusion.

EXAMINER HICKS: Overruled. You can

20 answer to the extent you know.

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THE WITNESS: Your Honor, I think in my review of the REN applications since 20 like 15, there were a couple -- there were a couple of -- I think there were a couple thousand or maybe a couple hundred that have been pulled up on the -- that are

- available for review. And the ones that I have reviewed, some of them have been withdrawn. I believe Koda is applied in a large majority of them, but I have not reviewed every single one of those REN applications.
- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Well, I guess I am confused then. You don't believe the Koda test is the standard that the Commission has been using since 2011? I thought you said that in your testimony; is that not accurate?
- A. Your question to me was about the Commission's applicability of Koda in all of these cases. My understanding is that's the standard. I don't have independent knowledge as to whether the Commission consistently applied that in every case.
- Q. Okay. Fair enough. But it's your understanding that the Koda test is what the Commission has used since 2011 to evaluate the certification of REN facilities.
  - A. Yes.

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Q. And it's also your understanding that the Commission has applied the Koda test to REN certification applications where the facilities are located out of state and are noncontiguous to the state of Ohio, correct?

A. That is correct.

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- Q. And sitting here today, you cannot tell me a case you reviewed where the Commission did not apply the Koda test; is that correct?
  - A. That's correct.
- Q. And that application of the Koda test has been -- to your understanding has been applied regardless of the RTO that the facility was located in; is that correct?
- A. Koda can apply to noncontiguous states that are in nonmarket areas as well, so it can be a non-RTO.
- Q. Okay. Fair enough. So it doesn't matter which RTO the Koda test has been applied to. Any REN -- to your knowledge it's been applied to certifications that have been filed regardless of whether a facility is in an RTO or not in an RTO or regardless whether it's in MISO versus PJM; is that correct?
- A. So my understanding of Koda is that it does apply to external non-Ohio-based facilities and noncontiguous states.
  - Q. Regardless of the RTO?
- A. Regardless of RTO, nonmarket area, market area.

- Q. Thank you. And is it your understanding that during this period the Commission has both approved and denied applications for REN certification from facilities in noncontiguous states in MISO based on the results of the Koda test?
  - A. I am familiar with that.
- Q. Have you reviewed cases where the Commission has applied the Koda test to facilities located in noncontiguous states in MISO?
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. And let's take Illinois for an example.

  Illinois is a noncontiquous state; is that correct?
  - A. Illinois is a noncontiguous state that is split between MISO and PJM.
    - Q. Sure. Thanks for answering my next question. A significant portion of Illinois is not in PJM; is that correct?
  - A. It's referred to as downstate Illinois, that is, the Ameren in the Midcontinent service territories. ComEd Co. is the PJM portion.
  - MS. BOJKO: Okay. At this time, your Honor, I would like to mark for identification purposes Blue Delta Exhibit 10, the Finding and Order issued on December 1, 2021, in Case 21-987-EL-REN.
- EXAMINER HICKS: That's Exhibit 10,

253 1 correct? 2 MS. BOJKO: Yes. 3 EXAMINER HICKS: So marked. (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) 4 5 MS. BOJKO: I'm sorry. Can you hear me? 6 I forgot to turn my microphone on. 7 EXAMINER HICKS: I heard all of you. I 8 just didn't hear the 10. 9 MS. BOJKO: May I approach, your Honor? 10 EXAMINER HICKS: Yes. (By Ms. Bojko) Sir, do you have in front 11 Ο. 12 of you what's been previously marked as Blue Delta 13 Exhibit 10? And it's a Finding and Order issued December 1, 2021, in Case 21-987-EL-REN. 14 15 Α. That's right. Have you reviewed cases where the 16 Ο. 17 Commission has applied the Koda test to facilities 18 such as Harvest Ridge Wind Farm in Illinois? 19 I haven't reviewed this specific one in 20 the past, but I have reviewed similar REN cases 2.1 involving other states. Noncontiguous, my apologies. 2.2 To your knowledge did CSG intervene in 23 this particular case? 24 I'm not familiar with their procedural

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history in this case.

- Q. And to your knowledge, the Illinois cases that you did review, would you know whether CSG intervened in those cases?
  - A. No, I wouldn't.

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- Q. Isn't it true that in this particular Illinois facility case as well as the other ones, that the Commission utilized a DFAX study to determine deliverability?
- A. In this order before me on paragraph 7, it appears like the Commission has applied the Koda test.
- Q. And you used a DFAX power flow study performed by PJM to apply the test?
  - A. That's right. The order -- the order doesn't state whether the facility is located in MISO or in PJM, and I don't know which side of the seam Newman, Illinois, falls on.
  - Q. You don't know what side of the seam that this particular facility is in?
    - A. Yeah. That's correct.
- Q. You don't know where Newman is; is that your testimony? I just didn't hear you.
- A. That's right. I am a New Jersey native, not an Illinois.
- Q. Okay. Have you reviewed cases where the

Commission has applied the Koda test to facilities located in Iowa?

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- Q. And it's your understanding that if the power flow study does not meet the two-factor test from a facility, then the Commission has denied certification to those facilities; is that fair?
  - A. That's fair.
- Q. And that's regardless of whether they are located in MISO or PJM?
- A. From what I have reviewed, that's what -- that's consistent with my understanding.
  - Q. So the one that you have in front of you -- Newman is located in a MISO state; you just don't know that.
  - A. Yeah. I have no -- well, so Illinois is a MISO state, but it's split up between the MISO and PJM service territories, so it's also a PJM state. I just don't know where -- where the city is on the -- on the map. If it's next to Springfield, then maybe it's MISO.
  - Q. If -- and we would be able to find that information out on the application filed with the facility's certification; is that correct?
- 25 A. From the -- the applications I reviewed,

typically they state the state, the county, and the city in which the facility is located.

- Q. And just so we're clear, make sure, the Commission has approved certification for facilities that are located in MISO but on noncontiguous states; is that correct?
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. Let's go back to your testimony, sir, page 13, beginning on -- excuse me, 286.
  - A. Yes.
- Q. The other difference -- we just talked about the change in the RTO footprint. The other difference that you note in your testimony on line 286 is that Koda was a new facility; is that correct?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Does Ohio's REN certification require facilities to be new in order to qualify for REN certification?
- A. No. But there is a distinction between Koda and what we have today and so if there is not a power flow study that has been demonstrated to show deliverability of a resource, the facility, if it's new, must cause that power flow study to be performed. In all of the applications that have been submitted in the present consolidated cases, there

have been power flow studies that have been performed. Those power flow studies were part of the interconnection process in MISO, and the second supplemental responses notes the amount of ERIS and NRIS, which is Network Resource Interconnection Service, those resources have in MISO and there is no power flow study conducted at that time regarding that interconnection that attaches those resources to PJM.

The only power flow study that -- that I had an opportunity to review and not take into account those deliverability volumes, the quality of interconnection service, congestion on the system, again, there is just the documents that -- the PJM power flow data was submitted with the applications.

- Q. It is your understanding, sir, MISO and PJM have a joint operating agreement; is that correct?
  - A. That's correct.

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- Q. And that joint operating agreement has been refined since 2011; is that correct?
  - A. To my understanding, yes.
- Q. And the joint operating agreement requires coordination when it comes to injection into the grid and interconnection; is that correct?

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- Q. I'm sorry, injection of a generating facility into the grid, it requires coordination. It requires MISO or PJM to be notified if there's a certain level of generation injection; is that right?
- A. If there is a certain level of generation injection?
- Q. Yeah. If there is a certain DFAX impact; is that correct?
  - A. DFAX impact associated with -- with what?
  - Q. Loadflow between the RTOs.
- A. But in which context? Is it -- is it transmission service? Transmission expansion?

  Interconnection?
  - Q. Yeah. You talked about that when there is a new facility coming online, that there is an interconnection fa -- study; is that correct?
  - A. Interconnection process which includes studies, yes.
- Q. And I believe you were in the room yesterday when Mr. Chiles testified?
  - A. I was.
- Q. And there was some discussion about when MISO has to notify PJM and vice versa --
- 25 A. Uh-huh.

- Q. -- during that interconnection process; is that correct?
  - A. That is correct.

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- Q. Okay. So when there is an impact, a DFAX study impact that's greater than a certain percentage, the one RTO has to notify the other RTO; is that correct?
- A. Yeah. Inside of that process, I believe the threshold that Mr. Chiles identified was 3 percent and to my understanding that is -- that's accurate. And what happens is MISO informs PJM that they have identified an impact on PJM's system, and PJM performs what is referred to as an affected system study. And there is no affected system studies associated with these MISO-based facilities inside of these applications.
- Q. Sure. And is -- is that required by Ohio law or the Commission's rules, the second study that you are talking about?
- A. If you are demonstrating deliverability and you would like to comply with Koda to provide your power flow studies, if an affected system study was triggered, then it should have been provided.
- Q. So okay. So can you tell me one
  Commission proceeding that you reviewed since 2011

where another study in addition to the DFAX study was required?

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- A. Inside of Koda itself we are dealing with a MISO-based facility. Koda itself required that MISO and PJM provide DFAX studies to the Commission. And in this case we have a MISO-based facility and no MISO DFAX.
- Q. Isn't it true that since the operating agreement was put into effect, that the MISO and PJM coordinate and have access to each other's system in order to perform modeling and studies?
  - A. Which operating agreement?
- Q. The PJM-MISO operating agreement that we've been discussing. I believe you reference it in your testimony.
  - A. The joint operating agreement?
  - Q. Yes. Dated December 11, 2008.
- A. They perform those studies as part of their interconnection queue cycle, and the results of those studies do not get reported directly to the Ohio Commission.
- Q. Okay. So I got to go back here because you said something. Isn't it -- I thought you agreed with me earlier that the Commission Koda test and the application of that test since 2011 had, in fact,

- been applied to noncontiguous facilities located in MISO, and the Commission had approved those based on the DFAX study performed by PJM. Is that not correct?
  - A. That has taken place, yes.
- Q. Thank you. And now I was trying to ask you about Ohio certification requirements, okay? So does Ohio's renewable energy certification requirements require facilities to be new in order to qualify?
- 11 A. No, it does not.

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- Q. Okay. In fact, it's an older date. It has to be -- for wind facilities it has to be newer than January 1, 1998; is that correct?
- 15 A. That is correct.
  - Q. And did you review -- I think you said earlier today you reviewed Ohio Revised Code 4928.64 as part of your testimony, right?
  - A. Excuse me, counsel. I am going to reference my -- reference my testimony here, I am. I don't have that memorized.
    - Q. I think it was on page 3, if I recall.
- A. Thank you. Oh, I'm sorry. I am looking at the attachment of my testimony. Let me get...
- Q. Page 3 of your testimony.

- A. Thank you.
- Q. You are familiar with -- I'm sorry. Did you answer that? I apologize.

EXAMINER HICKS: I think he is checking.

- A. It's here, so I do reference 4928.64 Subsection (B)(3).
- Q. Okay. But it's fair to assume you are familiar with 4928.64. At least you reviewed it before drafting your testimony, right?
  - A. That's correct.
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MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I am not going to mark this, but in all fairness I think it appropriate to put the statutory provision before the witness before I ask him questions.

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MS. BOJKO: May I approach?

EXAMINER HICKS: Yes.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Okay. Does this appear to be Section 4928.64 of the Ohio Revised Code?
  - A. It does.
- Q. It makes it easier you are a lawyer. You actually know what it looks like, right? Looking at

  (A) (1) (a) of the Statute 4928.64, (A) (1) (a) is the

  placed-in-service date January 1, 1998, that we just

talked about, correct?

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- A. Yes.
- Q. Isn't it true that -- and you know -this may sound elementary but to lay the foundation
  you do know in Ohio that the legislature, the General
  Assembly, would have to revise the statutory section,
  right?
  - A. That's correct.
- Q. And the General Assembly in this context could have changed the law to include a more recent placed-in-service date if they wanted to limit REN certification to new facilities, couldn't it?
  - A. Yes. Of course.
- Q. And, in fact, the General Assembly has changed the law a couple times, has it not?
  - A. I think that's a fair categorization.
- Q. Turning to page -- okay. You still have the Koda Staff Report in front of you that we talked about? That was Blue Delta Exhibit --
  - A. Exhibit 9.
- Q. 9, thank you. Okay. So -- I'm sorry.

  You have answered some of these questions. I am

  trying to not repeat or be redundant. Turning to the

  page 8 of the Koda Staff Report in front of you, the

  Staff -- does the Staff Report recommend limiting

applicants to requesting the studies to only the situation you mentioned in your testimony which is new facilities and an RTO in -- or a noncontiguous PJM state?

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- A. My appreciation for the Koda standard here and the recommendations that are contained inside of the Staff Report weren't so much they were limiting, but they were looking for a way for new facilities to create an opportunity here in Ohio. And by causing these DFAX studies to be done, that would be creating that opportunity for those new facilities.
- Q. But Koda does not state that the generating facility has to be not yet operational or just newly put in, does it?
- A. No. And that's not -- that's inconsistent with my testimony.
- Q. Okay. Isn't it true -- we were just talking about the General Assembly changing this law. Isn't it true that the General Assembly removed the solar carve out from the RPS program in 2014 through Senate Bill 310?
- A. Counsel, I am not familiar with all of the energy legislation the Ohio assembly has passed.
  - Q. Well, no. I don't mean all the

- legislation, sir. I am talking about you did say you were familiar with that the RPS standard in Ohio has changed since or has changed, correct?
- A. I am familiar with it but not the legislative history.
- Q. Okay. So you are familiar that -- are you familiar that the in-state requirement that was contained in the law was removed?
  - A. At which date?

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- Q. 2019. That one was through House Bill 6.
- A. I'm familiar -- vaguely generally familiar with that.
  - Q. And the one that I prior -- previously mentioned, you are familiar that the General Assembly removed the solar carve out from the RPS program in 2014.
    - A. I'm not familiar with that.
  - Q. Okay. So you are -- you do realize that the RPS program in Ohio per the statute does not require an -- does not contain an in-state requirement or a solar carve out, does it?
- A. My appreciation for the requirements are that if it's not an in-state facility and it's not contiguous through the state, a power flow study must be conducted to demonstrate deliverability into the

State.

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Q. Okay. And so the General Assembly could have explicitly required only contiguous states to be certified as deliverable, correct?

MR. WHITT: Your Honor, at this point I need to object. I have tried to be patient while the witness is at least being asked to read -- why it's necessary I don't know, but read current legislation. And now we are getting not only into repealed legislation but hypothetical legislation.

MS. BOJKO: Happy to rephrase.

MR. WHITT: Irrelevant and cumulative.

EXAMINER HICKS: If you are going to rephrase, I am not going to rule on the objection, but I will say I think we have -- he's already answered that the General Assembly has the ability to alter the statute.

MS. BOJKO: Sure. I'll rephrase, your Honor.

EXAMINER HICKS: So I think we're --

Q. (By Ms. Bojko) I am going to talk about the statute in front of you, sir. There is not a requirement that contiguous states be deemed deliverable; is that correct? There is not a requirement that only contiguous states be certified

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MR. WHITT: Your Honor --

Q. -- is that correct?

MR. WHITT: I'll object. If it would help, we are happy to stipulate to the codified laws of the State of Ohio in connection of those laws as enacted by the General Assembly.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, the witness is opining on Ohio law.

MR. WHITT: He's not.

MS. BOJKO: I am allowed to explore the level of his recollection and understanding of that Ohio law.

MR. WHITT: If I may, you got him to admit he is not testifying as a lawyer. He's not offering legal opinions. I don't dispute, counsel, your right to make your argument in your brief, but I don't know why we need a preview of your brief with the witness. That's all I'm saying.

EXAMINER HICKS: I'll overrule the objection. You can ask about the current law but any hypotheticals or what someone could do or may do, let's try to bypass those.

MS. BOJKO: Sure. Thank you, your Honor.

Q. (By Ms. Bojko) So I think there is a

current question pending. It sounded like it might not have been so artful, so I will try again. Isn't it true that the current law does not only allow certification of facilities located in contiguous states?

- A. The current law permits certification from generation facilities, qualifying generating facilities --
  - O. Sure.

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- A. -- located in noncontiguous states.
- Q. And thank you for that clarification. I appreciate that. Let's turn to page 15 of your testimony, lines 320 -- line 329 it starts. Are you there?
  - A. I am.
- Q. Here you state that REN certification for non-deliverable resources can potentially increase localized emissions and cause loss of economic impacts and job creation; is that correct?
- A. I don't -- that's not my exact statement in lines 329 to 331. In 329 in referencing the question above I say "These include the potential for increased localized emissions, increased wholesale power prices, and loss of economic impacts and job creation related to localized installation of

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- Q. Okay. So you are testifying that REN certification for non-deliverable resources can potentially increase localized emissions and cause loss of economic impacts and job creation; is that correct?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. A non-Ohio facility wouldn't have more of an impact on Ohio's localized emissions simply by virtue of being in PJM instead of MISO, would it?
- A. I'm sorry. Can you ask that question again?
- Q. Sure. A non-Ohio facility wouldn't have more of an impact on Ohio's localized emissions simply by virtue of being in PJM instead of MISO, would it?
  - A. Yes, it would. So the way the RTO --
- Q. No. I don't need an explanation. Thank
  you.
  - A. Of course.
- Q. Okay. And so it's your testimony here
  today that a non-Ohio facility would have more of an
  impact on Ohio's localized emission? Just a yes or
  no is great.
- A. My testimony is that resources that are

non-deliverable to Ohio have a negative impact on emissions and cost efficiencies.

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- Q. So you are stating that a facility located in PJM that's a noncontiguous state has a higher effect on localized emissions than a facility located in MISO in a contiguous state?
- A. Counsel, the qualifier here that is really significant is deliverable. My testimony is that resources that are not deliverable to Ohio have these negative impacts.
- Q. And would you believe that a non-Ohio facility would have more of an impact on Ohio jobs simply because it's located in PJM?
  - A. I don't understand the question, counsel.
- Q. Okay. You are not testifying here today that a non-Ohio facility located in a noncontiguous state has less of an impact -- or more of an impact, excuse me, than a facility located in MISO, are you?
- A. Counsel, I'm sorry to ask you to repeat that. I'm just not following the qualifiers in the question. Can you just walk -- if you walk me through that one more time, I will do my best.
- Q. Yeah. I am trying to put it in terms of your testimony, sir. So you are -- well, strike that.

Okay. So let's take -- let's take an example. That might be more helpful. If we have two identical facilities, renewable facilities, located in two noncontiguous states to Ohio, one facility is located in PJM and one facility is located in Ohio. Your testimony -- gosh darn it.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, can we strike that and let's try again?

EXAMINER HICKS: Yes.

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MS. BOJKO: I thought I was doing so well.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) You have two facilities, identical facilities, renewable facilities. One is located in MISO, and one is located in PJM. Both are noncontiguous states. Are you testifying that one facility has a greater impact on Ohio jobs because it is located in PJM?
- A. No. My testimony is that resources that are not physically deliverable to serve Ohio customers have a negative impact on.
- Q. And does that include non-deliverable facilities in PJM?
- A. Non-deliverable facilities in PJM would not be certified under Koda.
  - Q. And you would agree with me that

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- A. I would agree with you emissions don't travel?
  - Q. Well, let me try that again. Localized emissions would not travel with the contract path of electricity, would they?
- 7 A. Localized emission -- I'm sorry, counsel. 8 I'm not...
  - Q. Yeah. Let's put it this way, do emissions travel across transmission lines?
- A. We are talking the difference between air pollution and the flow of electricity, so if you are talking -- like if you are saying that do transmission lines carry emissions?
  - Q. Yeah.
- A. They don't.
- Q. Thank you. Yeah. And if those emissions don't travel through the transmission lines, then why does deliverability matter?
  - A. If emissions don't travel through transmission lines, why does deliverability matter; is that -- am I understanding that question correctly?
- Q. You are.
- 25 A. Okay. So -- excellent. Okay. I think I

am understanding. So what happens is that when a resource is deliverable to a specific load and it's included in the network model, it's going to be dispatched in real time by PJM or by MISO, and it's going to have an impact on the supply stack that's being dispatched to serve those customers during that period of time. The resource is not deliverable to Ohio, but it's being kind of credited as -- as contributing to Ohio renewable attributes. Another resource is going to be dispatched in its place. And that other resource that can be dispatched in its place can be gas or a fossil fuel unit.

- Q. But it could also be a renewable facility, could it not?
  - A. There's -- it could be.

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- Q. And it also could be a facility not located in Ohio, so it had no effect on the localized emissions, correct?
- A. Had no effect on the localized. The way that these markets are dispatched are through a security-constrained economic dispatch. We can run through a million hypotheticals here as to what is going to be dispatched and how emissions are going to like generally flow.

But what's going to happen is if

resources that are not deliverable to Ohio are being 1 2 dispatched in a way that is not serving Ohio customers, somebody else is going to, and the 3 majority of the resources that are on the footprint 4 5 today that are going to fill that -- fill that gap, 6 those are fuel -- those are fossil fuel-based 7 resources, so you will see localized increased emissions. 8

- Q. If MISO dispatches the plant, does it produce emissions?
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- Q. Where would the emissions be produced?

  At the plant?
  - A. Which plant, counsel?
  - Q. Right. Any plant, where would the emissions be produced? At the plant or at the end point of deliverability?
  - A. Some -- some -- some plants don't produce emissions like solar or wind.
  - Q. Of course. But if there were emissions, because that's what you are talking about in your testimony, the impact of emissions, so if emissions are produced, are they produced at the facility, at the plant?
- 25 A. Typically, yes.

- Q. And they would be produced at the location of the plant, correct?
  - A. That is correct.

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- Q. Okay. So if the plant is not located in Ohio, the emissions would be produced into the air at the location of the non-Ohio state, correct?
- A. If a wind farm in Minnesota is being credited as serving Ohio load but it is not deliverable to Ohio load, a resource inside of Ohio or close to it will be dispatched to serve that load. And it is the likelihood of that resource -- the likelihood is that resource will have emissions.
  - Q. Okay.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I move to strike that answer as nonresponsive. My question was where air pollutants, air emissions enter the air and if it's at the state or where the facility is located or at the end point where there is a contract deliver -- delivered power.

MR. WHITT: Your Honor.

EXAMINER HICKS: No need. Denied. You are asking very open ended hypothetical questions, so you are going to get explanations on your answers.

MS. BOJKO: Okay. Could I have my last question reread, your Honor?

276 1 EXAMINER HICKS: Sure. MS. BOJKO: Because I don't think he 2 3 actually answered it. 4 (Record read.) 5 Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Let me rephrase. I see 6 you're struggling. If there is a plant -- and I am 7 not talking about a renewable facility because you were just talking about -- your whole premise of 8 9 emissions is regarding a dispatch of a nonrenewable 10 facility to replace the electricity if it's 11 dispatched in a different way; is that fair? 12 MR. WHITT: Your Honor, I'm sorry. 13 need to object. At this point the line of 14 questioning is argumentative. The witness has 15 answered the question. 16 EXAMINER HICKS: I am going to overrule 17 the objection. She is asking him what his testimony 18 is saying. You need -- if she is mischaracterizing 19 your testimony, you have the opportunity to correct 20 it. 2.1 THE WITNESS: Okay. 2.2 EXAMINER HICKS: Go ahead, Ms. Bojko. 23 MS. BOJKO: I'm sorry. I don't remember 24 that question. Could I have that one reread?

EXAMINER HICKS: Sure.

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MS. BOJKO: Just let me rephrase. I'm sorry.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Your testimony premised around emissions and localized emissions as you reference on page 15 of your testimony. The premise of your comment about emissions negatively impacting Ohio, is the underlining premise that if a renewable facility that's certified is not actually physically delivered and another nonrenewable facility is dispatched in its place, that those air emissions from the nonrenewable facility could negatively impact Ohio; is that correct?
- A. That's close. It's close. If a non-deliverable facility is being credited as serving Ohio customers and is, in fact, not, another facility would need to be dispatched and turned on to serve those customers, there is a high likelihood that facility will be emitting pollution in or close to Ohio.
- Q. How -- how do you jump to there? Where is your -- strike that.

Highly likely, are you saying that you intimately work with PJM's dispatch model, and you know which facility is going to be dispatched if the

Barton 1 renewable facility is not delivered to Ohio?

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- A. That's not my testimony, counsel. What happens inside of these economic dispatch models is that if you remove a resource, there has to be a replacement resource on the margin. On the margin resources most often are gas and coal. You can confirm that -- you can confirm that just by going on PJM's website. You can confirm that just by looking at LMPs.
- Q. How many fossil units are marginal resources in PJM today?
  - A. In which -- at which price point?
- Q. I'm sorry. Are you talking purely an economic dispatch model and your whole testimony is based on at which price point, or are you talking about localized emissions traveling to Ohio?
- A. Counsel, I was just trying to answer the question that was presented to me.
- Q. So you can't answer how many fossil fuel -- fossil units run in PJM on the margin at any given point, can you?
- A. So I can't. What happens there is there is a new location marginal price set at a thousand -- couple thousand price points throughout -- throughout PJM every 5 minutes. So I can't tell you what the

exact unit is that's going to be setting price for one or multiple price points throughout the footprint.

- Q. Okay. But you are sitting here today claiming that if Barton 1 wind facility receives certification, that if that facility is taken offline or there is no actual deliverability, physical electrons delivered to Ohio, you are saying that that situation will create a negative localized emission and job creation in Ohio, right? Is that your testimony?
  - A. My testimony is very close.
  - Q. Okay.

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- A. My testimony is that if a non-deliverable resource is being credited as serving Ohio customers when, in fact, it is not, a replacement resource has to come online and one of those replacement resources would very likely be a fossil fuel resource and Ohio -- Ohio residents are not getting the benefit of developing new renewable resources in the state and getting that benefit from job creation.
- Q. Okay. Where does it say in either the Commission's rules, the Commission's orders, where does it discuss replacement power?
- MR. WHITT: Your Honor, I am going to

object and also note we are now approaching three times the estimated cross and this is only the first party. This is so --

EXAMINER HICKS: Okay.

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MR. WHITT: I object.

EXAMINER HICKS: Your objection is noted. Cross estimates are irrelevant to me, so while I wish everyone could stick to them, I know the reality.

MS. BOJKO: And I did preview my failure yesterday.

EXAMINER HICKS: Understood. We are not approaching a certain unnamed attorney so. But I will let you ask this last question, but I feel like we are running on a hamster wheel here.

MS. BOJKO: I'm sorry. As -- you're saying as it relates to his testimony? Because I don't understand his testimony either. That's why -- EXAMINER HICKS: He has given the same

answer four times.

MR. WHITT: I'll just represent I have tried to talk him out of his testimony in prep. I couldn't do it. Mr. DeMonte couldn't do it. But good luck.

MS. BOJKO: I don't know what that means.

25 EXAMINER HICKS: I don't know what that

means either. I'm not concerned. But go ahead. I don't even remember what your last question was. Ask the question. I feel like we have had the same question and answer at least three or four times. You may not like the answer, but I think that is the answer.

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MS. BOJKO: Okay. I will withdraw that and ask another question.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Yeah. PJM has sufficient resources to serve load in Ohio today; is that correct?
- A. I believe that is correct. There have been some load curtailments in Ohio but they -- if my -- I think those more closely related to transmission outages but there may be -- there may have been some supply shortfall at some point in time that I am just not -- I don't know all the details about it.
- Q. I'm sorry. Transmission curtailments, that was not my question. I guess we said generating resources is sufficient to serve the load in Ohio.
- A. If you're just looking at demand and load and reserve requirements, yes, PJM has adequate -- adequate resources and reserve requirements to serve the load.

- Q. Way over. The reserve margin today is in the teens; isn't that correct?
  - A. You might be --
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- A. Yeah. I think it's approaching 20.
- Q. Fair enough. So with or without Barton wind facility, PJM has sufficient resources to serve Ohio load; is that right?
- A. PJM has sufficient deliverable resources to my understanding to serve Ohio load.
- Q. How about let's ask on page 15 to 16, you argue that reduction in certain emissions benefits
  Ohioans; is that correct?
- A. The question that I am answering is how am I allowing non-deliverable resources to participate in increased localized emissions in Ohio; that's the question that I am answering.
- Q. So are you -- are you saying that you are not stating in your testimony that a reduction in certain emissions benefits Ohioans?
- A. Reduction in certain emissions benefits Ohioans, I think that's safe -- that's a fair characterization of my portion of my testimony.
- Q. So have you performed any research or analysis to see how the price of RECs correlates to

- increases or decreases in emissions?
- 2 A. No, I have not.

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- Q. Are you aware that some states allow for the use of undeliverable or unbundled RECs?
- A. Am I for the purposes of my testimony? I was just focusing on what Ohio does.
- Q. You are not aware that some states allow for unbundled RECs?
- A. Unbundled, can you explain unbundled to me, please?
- Q. Yeah. The -- okay. You don't know what the term unbundled RECs means?
  - A. So I have a -- I have an appreciation, but I don't know the question that you are asking, what your understanding of unbundled means.
  - Q. Okay. Is your understanding of an unbundled REC that they are RECs with no deliverability requirement?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. So we are on the same page. Have you conducted any research to quantify the environmental effects of the use of unbundled RECs?
  - A. In Ohio, no.
    - Q. In any states that have unbundled RECs.
- 25 A. No.

- Q. So you don't know the environmental impact of using unbundled RECs, do you?
- A. My testimony isn't about the environmental impact of unbundled RECs. It's about the negative impact of dispatching fossil fuel resources to replace non-deliverable clean energy resources.
- Q. Okay. Let's turn to page 17 of your testimony, lines 383 to 384. Here you state that allowing "Non-deliverable projects makes it more difficult for projects in Ohio to be competitively procured and constructed." Do you see that?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Are you aware of any projects in Ohio that were not constructed due to the price of RECs?
- A. Am I aware of any projects? Any projects that were specifically perspective, not built due to Ohio REC prices?
  - O. Yes.
- A. No.

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- Q. Have you performed any research to see how the price of RECs correlates to increases or decreases in competitively-procured and constructed renewable projects?
- 25 A. I've -- I work regularly with renewable

project developers, and I help them understand the impact of -- the impact of REC pricing and other products as to how they would affect financing or project viability.

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- Q. And you did not do that specific to your testimony in this case for Ohio, did you?
- A. What I did was I took my observations from my work experience and my expertise and applied it to this case.
- Q. I guess did you do a specific analysis of how the price of RECs correlates to construction projects in Ohio?
  - A. Cost of RECs, no, I did not conduct that type of threshold analysis.
  - Q. And you are familiar with both M-RETS and GATS, is that correct, the tracking system for renewable energy credits?
- A. They are separate systems. I am familiar with them, yes.
- Q. Oh, thank you. Yes. M-RETS is for MISO; GATS is for PJM; is that correct?
  - A. That's correct.
- Q. So when a REC is generated from a renewable facility's output, it is registered in either M-RETs or GATS, and then if a REC is sold or

retired, that's also registered in M-RETS and GATS; is that correct?

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- Q. And isn't it true that in M-RETS and GATS, as of November 2022, there are over 1,500 non-PJM facilities currently registered as eligible to sell RECs in Ohio?
- A. Can you ask that question one more time, please?
- Q. Sure. Isn't it true in M-RETS and GATS,
  as of November 2022, there are over 1,500 non-PJM
  facilities currently registered as eligible to sell
  RECs in Ohio?
- A. I have never completed a count, but I won't argue with you on 1,500.
- Q. And do you know whether 1,421 of those are located in MISO?
- 18 | A. I do not.
- Q. Do you know that approximately 8,000 PJM facilities are currently registered as eligible to sell RECs in Ohio?
- A. I don't have -- I know there are a lot of facilities registered. 8,000 may or may not be correct.
- Q. Well, is it true that PJM units,

renewable facilities, that are registered to sell RECs in Ohio, those facilities generally have an option to also sell RECs in other states?

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- A. Counsel, I don't know the options for all of those facilities. And so depending on which state they are in, depending on the size of the facility, depending on the technology, all of those things can impact whether or not they are eligible for RECs in multiple states.
- Q. Sure. Of course. So -- so speaking a little bit more generally, it's fair to say that a renewable facility that's registered to sell their RECs in Ohio can also be registered to sell their RECs in another state assuming they meet that state's certification requirements?
- A. I would agree with that to the extent that I would change can to may if I was to -- if I was to adopt that.
- Q. Sure. Facilities can receive multiple state certifications if they satisfy that state's renewable portfolio standards?
  - A. Some of them, yes.
- Q. And some other states -- you are familiar with other states outside of Ohio you stated. Those other states outside of Ohio may have more favorable

renewable portfolio standards; is that correct?

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- A. What do you mean by more favorable?
- Q. Well, the REC price might be higher than Ohio; is that correct?
- A. Other states do have REC prices that are higher than -- higher than Ohio to my knowledge.
- Q. And if an Ohio facility was registered to sell their RECs in Ohio is also certified to sell their RECs in another state that has a higher REC price, that unit would likely choose to sell their -- their RECs in another state that has a higher REC price, correct?
- A. It would be delivering the clean energy to Ohio, in turn producing a REC, and then retiring that REC to another state in exchange for higher compensation.
- Q. I'm sorry. My -- do you believe that when you retire a REC or sell your REC to another state, that you also have to deliver the power to that state?
- A. That's not what I -- that's not what I had testified to.
- Q. Oh, I'm sorry. I misunderstood.
- MS. BOJKO: Could I have his answer reread, please? I didn't mean to mischaracterize

1 your testimony. I apologize.

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- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) You are saying that if the Ohio -- I'm sorry. I misunderstood your response. You are saying that the Ohio facility that generates would sell the renewable energy credit to another state for a higher price.
  - A. Under your --
  - Q. They are unbundled.
- A. Under your scenario, dealing with an Ohio-based facility --
- Q. Right.
- A. -- that qualifies to sell RECs in Ohio is delivering -- is deliverable to Ohio is taking its REC product, selling it to another state; is that correct?
  - Q. I said Ohio facilities so that assumes deliverability under the Ohio law, but sure.
  - A. Certainly this is a -- it's an issue we've been discussing. So just for clarity, if that is -- if that's the options in front of the -- in front of we'll just use Pennsylvania, for example, they want to retire the RECs in Pennsylvania, they could do that, sure.
- Q. And similarly if there's a facility

located in Pennsylvania that's also certified to sell their RECs in Ohio, they could generate the electricity in Pennsylvania, and they could sell their renewable energy credit to Ohio, correct?

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- A. If they were certified, it would be deemed deliverable to Ohio, then they would be able to produce their energy in Pennsylvania and sell their RECs to Ohio.
- Q. And CSG, in fact, aggregates, you stated earlier, solar renewable energy credits from customers' facilities in Ohio; is that correct?
  - A. To my understanding, yes.
- Q. And CSG sells their RECs from their Ohio facilities to any state that will purchase those? Do you know -- let's back up.

Do you know whether CSG's facilities in Ohio that it aggregates the RECs for are also certified to sell the RECs in other states?

- A. I have a familiarity with CSG's business model. I do not know how they conduct their actions. I don't have any independent knowledge of any facility that they have contracted with. Certainly that is beyond the scope of our engagement.
- Q. Are you aware that the PJM units eligible to sell RECs in Ohio, of those all but five are also

- eligible to sell RECs in other states with more 1 2 favorable RPS programs?
- 3 MR. WHITT: Objection, assumes facts.
- EXAMINER HICKS: Any response? 4
- 5 MS. BOJKO: I don't think -- I am asking 6 if he is aware.
- 7 EXAMINER HICKS: I will overrule. If you 8 are aware, you can answer. If you're not, that's a valid answer. 9
- 10 Α. Yeah. I am not aware.
- 11 Are you familiar with siting issues that Ο. 12 renewable facilities need to be sited in a particular 13 state, for instance, in Ohio it's -- certification is 14 through the Ohio Power Siting Board?
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- Ο. And your testimony then does not take into effect any siting difficulties for renewable facilities, if there are any, does it?
  - No, it does not. Α.
- Let's turn to page -- I'm almost done. Q. Let's turn to page 15 of your testimony, line 340. I 22 have a clarification question. Line 340, you use the word here "out-complete," phrase. Did you mean "out-compete" here?
- I did. 25 Α.

- Q. Okay. Turning to page 17, line 390, here you talk about the Ohio renewable requirements that are designed to be procured. Do you see that?
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. You use the word "designed." Were you involved in the legislative process that created RPS, the -- that designed the State's RPS?
  - A. No, I was not.
- Q. So you're just speculating as to what the intent of the General Assembly was saying here; is that correct?
- A. I am not speculating. We heard a lot of testimony even yesterday from Mr. Nelson articulating how REC prices are set, how they are a bit dynamic. You know, that is -- that's how -- that's simply how the RPS -- sorry, how the other REC market functions in Ohio.
- Q. But I'm sorry. I don't think -- in this one you seem to be talking about the Ohio renewable requirements which I took that to mean the statutory requirements or the Commission's rule requirements; is that not correct?
- A. Renewable requirements and targets that are then satisfied through the retirement of RECs and those RECs are priced based on market dynamics.

- Q. So you weren't talking about how the renewable requirements were designed by the General Assembly or the Commission's rules?
- A. I was talking about the general design, the market design, and the construction as to how those requirements are actually satisfied.
- Q. Okay. In this answer 38, you discuss the -- strike that. We already covered that.

Let's go back to the deliverability requirement for a moment on page 11. I am looking at your recommendation section.

A. Yes.

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- Q. If the Commission does not use the Koda test, are you recommending that the Commission adopt any other specific test?
- A. I'll just cite the first line of my testimony on page 247. "I am not recommending a specific 'test' for deliverability." However, what I provide here are range of options for the Commission to consider if you would like to demonstrate deliverability, maybe a power flow -- maybe a power flow study coupled with additional analysis does that. Again, I reference E-Tags here, so if you could -- if you could show and demonstrate that your resources -- that your generation from your resources

in -- I shouldn't say your, but from the Applicant resources in South Dakota and Iowa is actually flowing over the seam, that would -- to me that would demonstrate deliverability. It's not quite inside of Koda, but it would -- it would show it.

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- Q. But your recommendation is not to replace the Koda test with another specific test, is it?
- A. It's -- again, I am not providing a specific recommendation. I think Koda is sufficiently broad and allows the Commission to consider multiple factors inside of a deliverability analysis including a power flow study coupled with a demonstration of deliverability. So the purpose of my testimony here is simply to provide -- simply to note for the Commission there are other options available.
- Q. So -- so you're not even disagreeing with the Koda test here, are you? You are saying that the power flow study used in the Koda test is an appropriate tool that the Commission can use?
- A. What Koda requires is that if there is an external resource delivering to PJM requires a DFAX study from that external -- from that external market area and also PJM.
  - Q. Do you believe that the Koda test and the

- use of the DFAX study is an appropriate tool that the Commission can utilize?
- A. You are asking -- the first part is if the Koda test is an appropriate tool for the Commission?
- O. Yes.

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- A. That is the Commission's standard and inside of Koda the case itself requires a DFAX be produced by two RTOs.
- Q. So you are not challenging the Koda test here today.
- A. I think the -- I think the demonstration
  of deliverability could be maybe a bit more clear,
  but I am not challenging the precedent. That's not
  the purpose of my testimony.
- MS. BOJKO: Thank you. May I have just a few moments?
- EXAMINER HICKS: Sure. Go off the record.
- 20 (Discussion off the record.)
- EXAMINER HICKS: Let's go ahead and go back on the record.
- Just took a brief break and Ms. Bojko is
  continuing with her cross-examination and I will hand
  it back to her.

MS. BOJKO: Thank you.

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- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Mr. Stewart, just a couple clarification questions. You referred to I think it's -- maybe we will just look at Staff Exhibit -- or Blue Delta Exhibit 9 which is the Koda Energy Staff Report that recommended the creation or the application of the Koda test. Do you have that in front of you?
  - A. Yes, I do. Sorry.
- Q. And in reference to some discussion we had, you made a point to state that MISO and PJM produced a DFAX study in that case; is that your understanding?
  - A. That is my understanding.
- Q. Well, isn't it true that the only study that PJM and MISO produced in that case evaluated the impact on transmission lines located in Ohio?
- A. MISO and PJM conducted a study on transmission lines in Ohio, yes.
- Q. Okay. MISO, which is where Koda Energy was located; is that correct?
  - A. From my understanding, yes.
- Q. MISO did not evaluate the lines from
  Minnesota, point A in your example, to Ohio line in
  point B, did they?

- A. I didn't see the exact DFAX report, so I can't speak to that issue.
- Q. Well, let's turn to page 6 of the Staff
  Report in front of you. If you look at the third
  sentence down in the Staff Report, it states
  specifically what PJM and MISO evaluated. Do you see
  that?
- A. PJM, MISO, "The following guidelines and assumptions were employed by PJM and MISO in their studies. PJM and MISO used a 50/50 peak load forecast for 2014. They did not evaluate the impact on every transmission line located in Ohio."
- Q. Correct. Keep going. The next sentence, it says what PJM evaluated. "PJM evaluated the impact on ten transmission lines located in Ohio and MISO evaluated the impact on sixty-seven transmission lines located in Ohio," correct?
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. So when you referred to the PJM and MISO evaluating lines, MISO and PJM for Koda Energy evaluated 77 transmission lines all located in Ohio.
  - A. I think that math adds up.
- Q. And that's because MISO -- part of the utilities in Ohio were located in MISO and part of the utilities were located in PJM, correct?

- A. That's what I believe was the scenario.
- Q. So if all the utilities were located in PJM, then PJM could model the transmission lines and the impact of those located in Ohio, correct?

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- A. No. So we -- I think Mr. Chiles did an excellent job yesterday walking through how a DFAX study generally functions in that there is injection points and then there are monitored elements, and so MISO was monitoring -- they were assuming injections at one point on their system, and then they were modeling specific elements of the transmission system inside of Ohio and here that was 67 lines.
- Q. Okay. For the Applicants do you know how many transmission lines PJM evaluated?
- A. There's -- there are very long appendices. I believe -- is it 57 page -- 57 pages of different -- of different facilities that were monitored inside of PJM's assessment after they assumed deliverability into the PJM region.
- Q. So it's safe to say they modeled more than 77 -- or more than 67 transmission lines?
- A. The number of transmission facilities being monitored is -- isn't as significant as assessing the impact on those facilities.
  - Q. But I -- it's fair to say that the Staff

Report does not include or reference any modeling of transmission lines out of the State of Ohio; is that correct?

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A. I'm just reading -- because of your question, I just want to refamiliarize myself with the language around this sentence so one second, counsel.

Can you ask your question again? I got a little lost after I read some and I tried to remember the question. Maybe it's easier to just...

- Q. I was just asking if in the Staff
  Report -- reviewing page 6 in the Staff Report
  identified any transmission lines that MISO or PJM
  evaluated the impact on outside of Ohio.
- A. No. If you go back to page 5, it says
  Staff requested that PJM and MISO conduct
  distribution factor or power flow studies to
  determine whether power flows from generating
  facilities modeled within PJM and within MISO but
  located outside of Ohio and outside of states
  contiguous to Ohio have an impact on power flows over
  transmission lines located within the State of Ohio.
  So while the generation was modeled outside of Ohio,
  they are specifically monitoring transmission lines
  located within the State of Ohio.

300 1 MS. BOJKO: Okay. Great. Thank you. 2 I have no further questions, your Honor. 3 EXAMINER HICKS: Thank you, Ms. Bojko. Okay. I believe based on our order --4 5 order that was proposed, we would go to 3Degrees 6 next, although I believe your co-counsel may have 7 indicated no questions? 8 MR. MILLER: I have been instructed we 9 have no questions, your Honor. 10 EXAMINER HICKS: Perfect. That's what I like to hear. 11 12 And next in line would be the Applicants. 13 MS. WHITFIELD: Yes, thank you, your 14 Honor, and I just have a few questions given 15 Mrs. Bojko's thorough examination. 16 MS. BOJKO: Sorry. 17 MS. WHITFIELD: That's all right. 18 19 CROSS-EXAMINATION 20 By Ms. Whitfield: 2.1 Mr. Stewart, have you ever testified here 0. 22 in front of the PUCO before today? 23 A. Good afternoon, counsel. No, I have not. 24 And on page 2, line 41, of your Ο. 25 testimony, you state that you reviewed and are

generally familiar with the materials filed in this case, correct?

A. Yes.

- Q. And so you've reviewed the six REN certification applications filed in this case by my clients?
- A. The REN certifications, I've reviewed the web page, the -- there is kind of like that form cover letter, talks about the facility location, has pictures of the meters, I've reviewed those and the files associated with those.
- Q. When you say web page, are you talking about --
- A. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's docket -- docket search.

EXAMINER HICKS: DIS.

- Q. (By Ms. Whitfield) Thank you. I wasn't sure which one you were talking about. So obviously you had no role in completing those six applications, correct?
- 21 A. No, I did not.
- Q. And you never visited the six facilities that are at issue in those applications?
- A. I have done some site tours but not to those.

- Q. Okay. Did you review Avangrid's witness
  Pete Landoni's testimony?
  - A. I did.

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- Q. And what about did you review Staff witnesses' testimony in this case?
- A. I did review Staff's testimony in this case, yes.
- Q. Have you ever assisted any renewable
  facility in obtaining REN certification before the
  PUCO?
- 11 A. I have not.
- Q. And I believe you acknowledged earlier
  with Ms. Bojko that there are three primary
  requirements under Ohio law for REN certification.

  Do you recall that?
- 16 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And one of those requirements is that the facility must be a renewable energy resource as defined by the statute?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. And another one of those criteria under
  the law is that the facility must meet the applicable
  placed-in-service requirement?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And the final one is that the facility

must either have a facility in Ohio or produce energy which is deliverable into Ohio.

A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. And just so I'm perfectly clear, because I thought there was a little bit of confusion at the beginning of your cross, you are not challenging or otherwise offering an opinion on whether the Applicants use a renewable energy resource such as wind energy at the six facilities, do you?
- A. To my understanding, wind generation qualifies under the statute.
  - Q. Okay. So you are not challenging that.
  - A. I don't believe they are hiding coal.
- Q. Thank you. And again, just to clarify, you are not challenging or otherwise offering an opinion on whether each of the Applicants' facilities were placed into service after January 1, 1998?
  - A. No, I am not.
- Q. Thank you. Just a couple follow-up questions on the specific deliverability criteria.

  It is your understanding that Staff requests or requires power flow studies be provided from applicants that file certification applications with the PUCO, right?

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- Q. Okay. And that -- and you are aware that Staff has been doing that since the Koda case decision.
- A. My understanding is that that's what has been happening.
- Q. And the Koda decision was filed -- or the case was filed in 2009; the decision was issued in 2011. Does that sound right?
  - A. It does.
- Q. Okay. And so in question 19 on page 8 of your testimony where it's -- where you reference -- where it's referenced that the Applicant proposed to evaluate deliverability of the resources, using the Koda test is not really the Applicants' proposal, is it?
- A. The Applicants chose to submit a DFAX study to attempt to demonstrate deliverability.
- Q. Okay. And that is something that --Staff has been using and applying the Koda test since 2011.
- A. My understanding is that Staff has been applying the Koda test since 2011.
- Q. Okay. And that they have been using the DFAX study or accepting the DFAX study to determine

that deliverability issue, correct?

- A. In the cases that I have reviewed, the DFAX study has been used.
- Q. And I believe you actually acknowledged that, I know you are a lawyer, to Ms. Bojko that that has been the precedent here at the PUCO for at least over 10 years, right?
  - A. Yeah.

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- Q. And just to clarify, the precedent has been that Staff would request the DFAX studies from the Applicants seeking certification and then analyze those DFAX studies, correct?
- A. I'm not -- I understand that a DFAX study is submitted. I don't know all of the process, whether Staff requested it, whether the Applicant offers it, whether there's a coordination with PJM from somebody else, but I know that one is provided as part of satisfying -- or attempting to satisfy Koda's requirements.
- Q. And to your knowledge, did Staff analyze each of the facilities involved in this case, their DFAX studies and determine whether the facility satisfied the Commission's deliverability standard?
- A. From what I understand, Staff -- Staff does state that they evaluated the DFAX studies.

- Q. Okay. And Staff issued Staff Reports in each of those six cases, correct?
  - A. Yes.

- Q. And you acknowledge that Staff concluded in each of those cases and each of the Staff Reports that Applicants' facilities satisfied the Commission's deliverability test, correct?
- A. That is my recollection of Staff's recommendations in the six applications in this case.

  I'm sorry. I should say that's consistent with my recollection.
- Q. Thank you. Mr. Stewart, I believe you -you attached to your testimony Attachment TS-1 which
  was the Applicants' responses to CSG's discovery
  served on June 27, 2022?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. And you are aware, are you not, that Applicants have supplemented those responses on two occasions, correct?
  - A. That was right here. Yes, I am.
- 21 O. And which -- is that the --
  - A. The second supplemental responses issued on September 15, 2022.
- Q. Okay. So with respect -- if you could turn to page 8 of your testimony, question 17 and

your answer to 17, line 176.

- A. I'm sorry. One second, counsel.
- Q. It's page 8, lines 176 to 178. It's question 17.
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. So with you being aware of the supplemental discovery responses from the Applicants, this answer to question 17 is no longer accurate, correct?
- MR. WHITT: Objection.
- 11 EXAMINER HICKS: Hold on.
- 12 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.
- MS. WHITFIELD: Do you want me to
- 14 rephrase?
- 15 EXAMINER HICKS: Yes.
- Q. (By Ms. Whitfield) So with respect -- in your answer in your direct testimony to question 17, you reference that the NERC E-Tags were requested in discovery but not -- you say no studies were provided. Do you see that?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. But are you aware since you reviewed the supplemental discovery responses that the Applicants actually answered the question about the facilities'

  NERC E-Tags?

- A. I am just re-familiarizing myself with the supplemental response, counsel. I'm just lost in the document. I'm sorry, counsel.
- Q. I could help and kind of streamline. If you look at Interrogatory 2 --
  - A. Thank you.
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- Q. 2B and then our answer to 2B in the supplemental.
- 11 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you see we actually gave a substantive
  answer to that interrogatory in our supplemental
  response, correct?
  - A. Counsel, I wouldn't say that this is -this may be an answer, but it doesn't address the
    question as to whether or not NERC E-Tags exist for
    these facilities.
  - Q. I am not sure how that's possible when it says "None of the facilities have NERC E-Tags" in our supplemental response.
- A. It says "NERC E-Tags associated with each facility constitutes competitively sensitive information."
- Q. Sorry. You need to look at the

- 1 | supplemental response.
- A. Oh, I'm sorry.
  - Q. Turn to page 6.
  - A. Sorry.
- 5 Q. Sorry about that.
- 6 A. Okay. Yes.
- 7 Q. So the -- your answer to question 17 is 8 no longer accurate, correct?
- A. So the first half would still be
  accurate, the not to my knowledge, and the second
  half is that I guess you could strike that and say
- 12 that -- and just reference the supplemental response.
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- 18 A. Thank you, counsel.
- MS. WHITFIELD: That's all I have for
- 20 | this witness now. Thank you.
- 21 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 22 EXAMINER HICKS: Thank you.
- We will go next to if Staff has any
- 24 cross-examination.
- MS. BAIR: I have a few questions. Thank

310 1 you, your Honor. 2 EXAMINER HICKS: Go ahead. 3 4 CROSS-EXAMINATION 5 By Ms. Bair: 6 Good afternoon, Mr. Stewart. My name is Ο. 7 Jodi Bair, and I represent the Staff. 8 Α. Good afternoon, counsel. 9 0. I would like to direct you to question 10 and answer 21 on page 9 and following over to page 10 of your direct testimony. 11 12 Α. Yes. 13 Q. And in particular I am looking at lines 216 and 217. 14 15 Α. Yes. Okay. Where did you -- I assume this is 16 Ο. 17 a quote. Where did this come from? 18 This direct quote I pulled from the cover Α. letters of one of the DFAX studies that was attached 19 20 to Mr. Chiles' testimony. 2.1 Okay. Could we please pull one of those Ο. 22 up right now. It's -- I just pulled up Attachment --23 Attachment A, Appendix A, and I have copies of it, 24 but you have a bulk of stuff up there.

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- 1 Q. Or I can give you that cover sheet.
- 2 EXAMINER HICKS: Can you give me a cover
- 3 | sheet?
- MS. BAIR: Yeah. I didn't label it, but
- 5 I checked it, and it is Attachment A, Appendix A.
- 6 A. To Mr. --
- 7 Q. Mr. Chiles' Joint Exhibit 1.
- 8 MS. BAIR: Do you guys want it?
- 9 MS. WHITFIELD: No.
- 10 MS. BAIR: Mark?
- MR. WHITT: I have it. If you have a
- 12 | separate page. Thank you, Jodi.
- 13 Q. (By Ms. Bair) Have you found that in
- 14 Mr. Chiles' testimony?
- 15 A. I haven't found it in Mr. Chiles'
- 16 testimony.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. And where -- from where -- I am
- 20 assuming you are on page 1. Is that where your quote
- 21 | came from that you contained in line -- or included
- 22 | in 216 and 217?
- 23 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. Okay. And could you please read the
- 25 | sentence in its entirety from which this quote came.

- A. Yes. "Finally, it was confirmed that there were a number of EHV transmission facilities on it which at least 5 from the energy from these wind facilities would be expected to flow if they were to deliver their energy into PJM."
- Q. Thank you. And you had some discussion in your testimony and with Ms. Bojko regarding the dispatch within -- dispatch of generation within PJM.
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. And so is it your testimony -- do Ohio's certification of facilities under Ohio's RPS have an impact on PJM's operational dispatch of generation?
- A. Directly, no. That is not a consideration inside the scale model.
- MS. BAIR: Thank you. I have nothing more.
- 17 EXAMINER HICKS: Thank you, Ms. Bair.
- I will just note Mr. Ryan is not here,

  but he had indicated he had no cross for the witness.
- 20 MS. BOJKO: I'm sorry. I didn't hear
- 21 you.
- EXAMINER HICKS: Just for the record

  Mr. Ryan is not here, but he had indicated he had no

  cross-examination for the witness.
- Mr. Whitt, do you want -- let's go off

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314 1 Tuesday Afternoon Session, 2 December 6, 2022. 3 4 EXAMINER HICKS: Let's go back on the 5 record. 6 We came back from lunch. I was just 7 speaking with Mr. Whitt off the record. I believe, 8 Mr. Whitt, you indicated you do not have any redirect? 9 10 MR. WHITT: That's right, your Honor. 11 EXAMINER HICKS: Okay. With that, 12 Mr. Stewart, thank you for your testimony. 13 THE WITNESS: Thank you, your Honor. 14 EXAMINER HICKS: We can now, if I can get 15 organized here, take up exhibits. MS. BOJKO: Your Honors, I am only going 16 17 to move certain exhibits, if that helps. 18 EXAMINER HICKS: Okay. Let's do --19 Mr. Whitt, you may have already moved your testimony 20 but go ahead and do it again. 2.1 MR. WHITT: I am not sure if I did yesterday. If I didn't, we would move for the 22 admission of CSG Exhibit 3. Is it 3? 23

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EXAMINER HICKS: Any objections to the

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                 MS. BOJKO: I'm sorry, your Honor.
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     that just the testimony?
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                 EXAMINER HICKS: I believe so, yes.
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     don't have any objection, subject to the correction
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     think the transcript should adequately address that.
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                 MS. WHITFIELD: Yeah, so no objection.
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     you just want to go through each one you want to
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                 MS. BOJKO: Yes, your Honor. I'm sorry.
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     lunch. I did not take it to lunch with me.
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                 EXAMINER HICKS: That does add a certain
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                 MR. WHITT: That was -- no objection.
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                 EXAMINER HICKS: Okay. Blue Delta
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                 MS. BOJKO: That's all, your Honor.
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Mr. Whitt, I believe you had stated you were not intending to call Mr. Gopaul?

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MR. WHITT: Correct, your Honor.

EXAMINER HICKS: Okay. I just bring that up so the motions to strike is essentially irrelevant at this point.

MS. BOJKO: Moot, yes.

EXAMINER HICKS: So no need for a ruling on that one.

MS. BOJKO: Thank you, your Honor.

EXAMINER HICKS: Anything further from CSG before we move to Staff?

MR. WHITT: No, your Honor.

EXAMINER HICKS: Okay. I am going to tag out to my co-AE, and she will take it from here.

EXAMINER ST. JOHN: All right. There are two matters that I want to briefly discuss before I turn things over to Staff. First of all, we had noted in an e-mail to all the parties before the hearing commenced that we are generally not inclined to invite friendly cross. In the witness order and cross-examination estimates that we had received via e-mail, we do see that there are about 5 minutes of cross estimated from the Applicants and 5 minutes estimated from 3Degrees for Staff. I did want to

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MS. WHITFIELD: Well, it's primarily how Staff received the DFAX studies and confirming like sort of a chain of custody through Staff's e-mails. We are not able to depose Staff. We are not able to subpoena Staff, so e-mails in which Staff appears, and I want to question them on that to establish since they have brought up a chain of custody with respect to these documents.

EXAMINER ST. JOHN: Okay. I have no problem with that line of questioning.

MS. WHITFIELD: Thank you.

EXAMINER ST. JOHN: 3Degrees.

MR. MILLER: I think we set a

placeholder. We will probably waive.

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MR. MILLER: Yes.

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EXAMINER HICKS: I think Mr. Whitt wanted 2.1

22 to say something.

MR. WHITT: I think what I heard described was friendly cross to lay a foundation, to 25 help Staff lay a foundation for something. Moreover and more troubling is we will wait to see these e-mails but if there are e-mails that are going to be sought to be introduced that I can tell you that they have not been produced to us in discovery and those e-mails would be responsive to several different discovery requests and I think if the Bench has made anything clear prior to hearing, that parties would not be permitted to introduce evidence at hearing that had not been produced in discovery. So I just want our position on that to be known before we start.

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EXAMINER ST. JOHN: Okay. We're not quite at that point yet. As to your notes about friendly cross, this issue of who has requested the PJM reports -- excuse me, the PJM DFAX studies, that has become a bigger issue in this case than I think we -- I think most people initially expected walking into this hearing, so I will allow some questions from the Applicant along those lines. It's only expected to be about 5 minutes per witness, so if it starts becoming, you know, a greater breadth than that, taking considerably longer, we can address your concerns at that time.

The second issue that I wanted to address is generally timing for today. So it looks like CSG

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has estimated about 45 minutes per Staff witness. We. are already just past 2:00 p.m., and I understand that Mr. Landoni has been reserved as a rebuttal 3 witness. And I also understand based on conversations yesterday that he may have a flight 6 leaving this afternoon or later this evening; is that correct?

MS. WHITFIELD: Yes.

MR. LANDONI: 5:47.

MS. WHITFIELD: Scheduled around

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EXAMINER ST. JOHN: So I am not sure at this point yet, but I wanted to make everyone aware of that, and perhaps we can move into Mr. Cross's testimony and see where we are, but it may be necessary to start talking about, you know, potentially moving witnesses around and having Mr. Landoni testify before Ms. Clingan, that's fine with us.

If I may, your Honor, what MR. WHITT: would -- what -- who would be rebutting whom? rebuttal. For what purpose? The Applicants have the burden of proof. They filed testimony. We filed testimony. Supplemental testimony was authorized for a different purpose, really to address any

outstanding discovery issues but that effectively was used by the other side as rebuttal testimony. It directly responds to CSG's testimony. So I'm not sure what there would be to rebut. We haven't used any new evidence. We've prefiled our testimony. We presented our witness. It just seems improper.

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EXAMINER ST. JOHN: All right. Noted.

MS. WHITFIELD: Can I be heard on that?

EXAMINER ST. JOHN: Yes.

MS. WHITFIELD: So as your Honor, first of all, just acknowledged, this issue of chain of custody has become a much bigger issue in cross-examination of Mr. Landoni. We believed that we had established the foundation of his knowledge of how Avangrid requested -- received the requests from Staff for the DFAX studies, then sent a request to PJM to run the DFAX studies, and then once the Company received the DFAX studies, they then transferred them to Staff.

Hearing your Honors yesterday in response to Mr. Whitt's objection that we did not lay the foundation because Mr. Landoni couldn't remember some names of the people that worked for his company who were involved in this, we are preparing rebuttal testimony from Mr. Landoni to address those issues

that were raised that we thought were handled appropriately in our direct examination; but because the chain of custody has become such an issue in this case, even though it has nothing to do whatsoever with the authentication of the documents, we are addressing that on rebuttal.

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MR. WHITT: Well, if I may.

EXAMINER ST. JOHN: Mr. Whitt, I don't want to interrupt. Would you mind turning your microphone on or speaking into your microphone a bit more?

MR. WHITT: Sure. Thank you, your Honor. We would anticipate any foundational issues are likely -- very likely to be cleared up in the cross-examination of Staff, presumably can say that, you know, these are the reports and here is how we got them and that would resolve those issues.

In fact, I think the other side has indicated that's exactly what they want to use their cross for is to ask those questions. So to the extent we can have the questions over, you know, chain of custody, authentication gets resolved with Staff, there would be no need to call back Mr. Landoni.

EXAMINER ST. JOHN: So would you be

324 willing to withdraw your objections to the admission 1 of those exhibits after Staff's witnesses testify? 2 3 MR. WHITT: We -- I expect to be able to. EXAMINER ST. JOHN: Okay. 4 5 EXAMINER HICKS: If that's the case, then 6 this whole issue is going to resolve itself. 7 MR. WHITT: Yes. That would be our expectation. 8 9 EXAMINER HICKS: That would be lovely. 10 MS. WHITFIELD: Yes. That would be great. Perhaps we address this after my cross of the 11 12 witness. 13 EXAMINER HICKS: We have all geared up 14 for nothing. 15 EXAMINER ST. JOHN: Yeah. Thank you all. 16 All right. With that I will go ahead and 17 turn it over to Staff. 18 MR. LINDGREN: Thank you, your Honor. 19 The Staff calls Kristin Clingan to the stand. 20 (Witness sworn.) 2.1 EXAMINER ST. JOHN: Thank you. Please 22 proceed. 23 MR. WHITT: Good afternoon, Ms. Clingan. 24 MS. BAIR: Wait a minute. 25

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1	KRISTIN CLINGAN
2	being first duly sworn, as prescribed by law, was
3	examined and testified as follows:
4	DIRECT EXAMINATION
5	By Mr. Lindgren:
6	Q. Good afternoon, Ms. Clingan. Could you
7	please state your name and business address for the
8	record.
9	A. Kristin Clingan, 180 East Broad Street,
10	Columbus Ohio 43215.
11	Q. Thank you. And where are you employed?
12	A. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.
13	Q. Thank you. Did you prefile testimony in
14	this proceeding?
15	A. I did.
16	Q. Thank you.
17	MR. LINDGREN: Your Honor, may I approach
18	the witness?
19	EXAMINER ST. JOHN: You may.
20	MR. LINDGREN: Let the record reflect I
21	am handing the witness what has been marked as Staff
22	Exhibit 2.
23	(EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)
24	Q. (By Mr. Lindgren) Ms. Clingan, is this
25	your prefiled testimony?

A. Yes.

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- Q. And this was prepared by you or at your direction?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Thank you. And do you have any changes you would like to make to this testimony?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. Could you explain what those are.
- A. I would like to add the three PJM DFAX studies relied upon by Staff in the review of these applications to my prefiled testimony at this time.
- Q. Thank you. And could you explain why you had not included those studies previously?
  - A. I did not include them initially because they were already filed as part of the Applicants' testimony, but they are referenced in my testimony and relied upon for the Staff Reports that I am sponsoring today.
  - Q. Thank you. Do you have on the stand there the testimony of John Chiles?
  - A. Probably.
- Q. Joint Exhibit 1.
- EXAMINER HICKS: Probably the biggest one up there.
- 25 A. Yes, sir.

Q. Thank you. Could you turn to Joint Exhibit 1, Attachment A.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, can we go off the record for a second?

EXAMINER ST. JOHN: Yes. Let's go off the record.

(Recess taken.)

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EXAMINER ST. JOHN: Let's go back on the record.

We've been off the record for quite some time. An issue arose while Ms. Clingan was on the stand. It involved reference to a previously marked and moved exhibit that DFAX studies have been attached to, and it became — it was revealed there was an error in the attachment to that exhibit due to a copying error and not all of the Excel spreadsheets' detailed information for each of the three DFAX reports had been included in the exhibit. Instead, one of the Excel spreadsheet documents had been duplicated.

There have been numerous discussions about how to resolve the issue and how to proceed moving forward. Also in the interim Staff printed off copies of the DFAX reports that it had received and relied upon in its analysis of the cases.

At this point in time I think it's important to note that our priority here today is to create a full record. There were additional discussions off the record about how to rectify the pending issue with three pending exhibits that have been marked and moved that include incorrect DFAX information.

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Carbon Solutions had proposed their preference of how to resolve the issue, and Applicants and Blue Delta had proposed their proposal of how to resolve the issue.

At this point in time this is how we would like to move forward with that particular issue, it is up to the Applicants and Blue Delta whether or not they would like to recall their witnesses to bring them back up to the stand to resolve the exhibit issues or any other -- strike that, or any specific issues regarding the DFAX reports.

My understanding is that the Applicants and Blue Delta had issued a proposal to remove the Excel spreadsheet document that had been duplicated from the exhibits that have been marked and moved but not yet admitted. The Applicants and Blue Delta may proceed in that way if they would like to, or as I

previously mentioned, they have -- they will have the opportunity to recall those witnesses to include the correct data, if they would like.

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Carbon Solutions had noted that if the correct data would be added to the exhibits, Carbon Solutions' preference would be for the data that had already been submitted that was duplicated and, thus, incorrect, or at least incomplete, would stay a part of the record.

Our ruling is that if the witnesses are recalled and the correct information is presented and moved to be admitted, that the existing Excel spreadsheet documents will be made a part of the record as well so that Carbon Solutions may refer to the documents as they were initially marked and moved as well as the corrected information.

A second issue was also presented while we talked off the record involving e-mails that were received by Staff and I believe included the DFAX studies.

While Judge Hicks and I were out of the hearing room and we were on break, my question at this time is have the parties resolved that pending dispute about the e-mails? And when I say the pending dispute, I don't mean the dispute regarding

whether the e-mails should have been produced in discovery. What I am asking is how to handle the e-mails here in this hearing room today.

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MS. WHITFIELD: Your Honor, I -- I think you were in the room, but I did give them to

Mr. Whitt so he and his colleague could review them, and I haven't heard anything further from that.

MR. WHITT: That's correct. We have the e-mails and appear to be the DFAX attachments. We will be reviewing those tonight.

EXAMINER ST. JOHN: Okay. I appreciate that. Thank you.

At this point in time it's 4:51 p.m., and I don't see us getting through any additional witnesses this evening which means that we will be needing to move on to an additional hearing day. Initially Judge Hicks and myself had reserved all week for this hearing, but while we were off the record, one or two parties had mentioned that tomorrow would be an inconvenient time to resume the hearing.

So with that being said, I would like to go off the record briefly and discuss with the parties when would be a convenient time for all to resume the hearing.

So with that, let's go off the record briefly. (Discussion off the record.) EXAMINER HICKS: Let's go back on the We just went off the record briefly to discuss timing on when we could reconvene the hearing. I think as Attorney Examiner St. John mentioned, there were some timing issues for folks tomorrow. I believe we reached a consensus that we will reconvene on Thursday morning, which would be December 8, at 10:00 a.m. and proceed from there. And with that, we are off the record. (Thereupon, at 5:02 p.m., the hearing was adjourned.) 

CERTIFICATE I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes. Karen Sue Gibson, Registered Merit Reporter. (KSG-7382) 

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