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### Amendment to Electric Generation Supplier License of Premier Power Solutions, LLC

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to advise you that the Commission in Public Meeting on February 24, 2011 adopted an Order in the above entitled proceeding.

An Order has been enclosed for your records.

Very truly yours,

Rosemary Chiavetta Secretary

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# PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Public Meeting held February 24, 2011

Commissioners Present:

James H. Cawley, Chairman Tyrone J. Christy, Vice Chairman John F. Coleman, Jr. Wayne E. Gardner Robert F. Powelson

Amendment to Electric Generation Supplier License of Premier Power Solutions, LLC

Docket Number: A-110170

## ORDER

### **BY THE COMMISSION:**

On January 10, 2011, Premier Power Solutions, LLC (PPS) filed a request to amend its electric generation supplier (EGS) license in order to extend its brokerage and consulting services to residential customers in all electric distribution company (EDC) service territories throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This proposed amendment is filed in accordance with the requirements of Section 2809 of the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S. § 2809.

On July 20, 2006, the Commission granted PPS a license, authorizing PPS the right to offer, render, furnish or supply electric generation services as a consultant to small commercial (25 kW and under), large commercial (over 25 kW), industrial and governmental customers in the service territories of Duquense Light Company and

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Pennsylvania Power Company, within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. On June 18, 2009, the Commission approved, by Order, an amendment to PPS' license authorizing PPS the right to offer, render, furnish or supply electric generation services as a consultant to small commercial (25 kW and under), large commercial (over 25 kW), industrial and governmental customers in all EDC service territories throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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PPS published notice of its original license application in the Pennsylvania newspapers as required by the Commission to provide service to all customer classes in all EDC service territories throughout the Commonwealth. PPS provided a \$10,000 letter of credit with its original license application and requested approval of the reduced amount. Commission approval of the reduced amount was based on PPS not taking title to power and limiting its services to assisting customers in reducing overall spending on electricity.

Since PPS is proposing to serve residential customers, PPS will now be required to comply with, and be governed by, applicable Chapter 56 residential service regulations as set forth in the Commission Order *Guidelines for Maintaining Customer Service at the Same Level of Quality Pursuant to 66 Pa. C.S. § 2807(d), and Assuring Conformance with 52 Pa. Code Chapter 56 Pursuant to 66 Pa. C.S. § 2809(e) and (f) at Docket No. M-00960890 F0011, Order entered July 11, 1997. Thus, we deem it appropriate to reiterate certain items with respect to Chapter 56 of our regulations.* Chapter 56 (52 Pa. Code Chapter 56) is applicable to residential accounts. An EGS cannot physically disconnect a residential customer from the electricity grid; therefore, the rules relating to residential service through an appropriate written notice to the customer and the distribution company. The residential customer can then attempt to repair their relationship with the supplier, seek a new supplier, or return to utility service at default service rates in accordance with the utility's obligations under Section 2807(e), 66 Pa.

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C.S. §2807(e). The customer would only be disconnected from the electricity grid pursuant to appropriate regulations if the customer failed to meet its obligations to the utility or the EGS that has been designated by the Commission as the provider of last resort.

Additionally, we specifically note that the licensee must comply with, and ensure that its employees, agents, representatives and independent contractors comply with the standards of conduct and disclosure for licensees set out in Commission regulations at 52 Pa. Code § 54.43 that were enacted to protect consumers of this Commonwealth. These standards include, *inter alia*, the provision of timely and accurate information about the services offered by the licensee, the practice of nondiscrimination in service in regard to race, color, religion, national origin, marital status, etc., the safeguarding of a consumer's personal information, and compliance with applicable state and federal consumer protection laws. Also, we take this opportunity to remind the licensee of its agreement to abide by, and to ensure that its employees, representatives, agents and independent contractors abide by all applicable federal and state laws, and Commission regulations, procedures and orders, including Emergency Orders, which may be issued verbally or in writing during any emergency situations that may unexpectedly develop from time to time in the course of business.

Upon full consideration of all matters of record, we find that approval of this request is necessary and proper for the service, accommodation and convenience of the public; **THEREFORE**,

### **IT IS ORDERED:**

1. That the request of Premier Power Solutions, LLC is hereby approved, consistent with this Order.

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2. That a license be issued authorizing Premier Power Solutions to begin to offer, render, furnish or supply electric generation supplier services as a broker/marketer to residential, small commercial (25 kW and under), large commercial (over 25 kW), industrial, and governmental customers in all electric distribution company service territories throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

3. That this proceeding at Docket No. A-110170 be closed.

BY THE COMMISSION,

Arem

Rosemary Chiavetta Secretary

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ORDER ADOPTED: February 24, 2011

ORDER ENTERED: February 24, 2011