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June 23, 2023

### VIA FedEx

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Secretary
400 North Street, Keystone Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Electric Broker License Application CGE Renewables, LLC

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed for filing with the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission are the following documents for CGE Renewables, LLC Electric Broker Application:

- 1. The Confidential Electricity Broker License Application
- 2. The Public version of the Electric Broker License Application
- 3. A check in the amount of \$350.00 covering the application fee.

Should you have any questions, or require additional information, please contact me at 718-696-0109 or via email at regulatory@egerenewables.com.

Sincerely,

Michelle Castillo

Regulatory Specialist

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DATE OF DEPOSIT

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PA Public Utility Commission Secretary's Bureau

BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Application of CGE Renewables, LLC for approval to offer, render, furnish, or supply electricity or electric generation services as a Broker/Marketer to the public in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (Pennsylvania)

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (Pennsylvania)

a. IDENTITY OF THE APPLICANT: Provide name (including any fictitious name or d/b/a), primary address, web address, and telephone number of Applicant:

CGE Renewables, LLC 8751 18th Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11214

b. PENNSYLVANIA ADDRESS / REGISTERED AGENT: If the Applicant maintains a primary address outside of Pennsylvania, provide the name, address, telephone number, and fax number of the Applicant's secondary office within Pennsylvania. If the Applicant does not maintain a physical location within Pennsylvania, provide the name, address, telephone number, and fax number of the Applicant's Registered Agent within Pennsylvania.

**Corporation Service Company** 2595 Interstate Drive, Suite 103 Harrisburg, PA 17110 Tel: 800-927-9800

Email: compliance@cscglobal.com

c. REGULATORY CONTACT: Provide the name, title, address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address of the person to whom questions about this Application and future inquiries should be addressed.

NOTE: To ensure timely receipt of regulatory information, a contact employed directly by the Applicant, and not a consultant, is preferred.

Michelle Castillo 8751 18th Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11214 regulatory@cgerenewables.com 718-696-0109

d. ATTORNEY: Provide the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address of the Applicant's attorney. If the Applicant is not using an attorney, explicitly state so.

N/A

e. CONTACTS FOR CONSUMER SERVICE AND COMPLAINTS: (Required of ALL Applicants) Provide the name, title, address, telephone number, FAX number, and e-mail OF THE PERSON AND AN ALTERNATE PERSON (2 REQUIRED) responsible for addressing customer complaints. These persons will ordinarily be the initial point(s) of contact for resolving complaints filed with the Applicant, the Electric Distribution Company, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, or other agencies. The main contact's information will be listed on the Commission website list of licensed EGSs.

Customer Service: Heladia Cruz **Customer Service Manager** 8751 18th Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11214 customercare@cgerenewables.com 888-504-6372

Complaints: **Ivette Arce Compliance Supervisor** 8751 18th Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11214 compliance@cgerenewables.com 888-504-6372

## 2. BUSINESS ENTITY FILINGS AND REGISTRATION

a.	FICTITIOUS NAME: (Select appropriate statement and provide supporting documentation as listed.)
	The Applicant will be using a fictitious name or doing business as ("d/b/a")
	Provide a copy of the Applicant's filing with Pennsylvania's Department of State pursuant to 54 Pa. C.S. §311, Form PA-953.
	Or
	X The Applicant will not be using a fictitious name.
b.	BUSINESS ENTITY AND DEPARTMENT OF STATE FILINGS: (Select appropriate statement and provide supporting documentation. As well, understand that Domestic means being formed within Pennsylvania and foreign means being formed outside Pennsylvania.)
	The Applicant is a sole proprietor.
	<ul> <li>If the Applicant is located outside the Commonwealth, provide proof of compliance with 15 Pa. C.S. §4124 relating to Department of State filing requirements.</li> </ul>
	or
	☐ The Applicant is a:
	domestic general partnership (*) domestic limited partnership (15 Pa. C.S. §8511) foreign general or limited partnership (15 Pa. C.S. §4124) domestic limited liability partnership (15 Pa. C.S. §8201) foreign limited liability general partnership (15 Pa. C.S. §8211) foreign limited liability limited partnership (15 Pa. C.S. §8211)
	<ul> <li>Provide proof of compliance with appropriate Department of State filing requirements as indicated above.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Give name, d/b/a, and address of partners. If any partner is not an individual, identify the business nature of the partner entity and identify its partners or officers.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Provide the state in which the business is organized/formed and provide a copy of the Applicant's charter documentation.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>* If a corporate partner in the Applicant's domestic partnership is not domiciled in Pennsylvania, attach a copy of the Applicant's Department of State filing pursuant to 15 Pa. C.S. §4124.</li> </ul>
	or
	The Applicant is a:
	domestic corporation (15 Pa. C.S. §1308) foreign corporation (15 Pa. C.S. §4124) domestic limited liability company (15 Pa. C.S. §8913) foreign limited liability company (15 Pa. C.S. §8981) Other (Describe):

- Provide proof of compliance with appropriate Department of State filing requirements as indicated above.
- Provide the state in which the business is incorporated/organized/formed and provide a copy of the Applicant's charter documentation.
- Give name and address of officers.

Company Response: Please see Exhibit A.

#### 3. AFFILIATES AND PREDECESSORS

(both in state and out of state)

a. AFFILIATES: Give name and address of any affiliate(s) currently doing business and state whether the affiliate(s) are jurisdictional public utilities. If the Applicant does not have any affiliates doing business, explicitly state so. Also, state whether the applicant has any affiliates that are currently applying to do business in Pennsylvania.

<u>Company Response</u>: CGE Renewables, LLC does not have affiliates that are currently doing business in PA or any other state.

b. PREDECESSORS: Identify the predecessor(s) of the Applicant and provide the name(s) under which the Applicant has operated within the preceding five (5) years, including address, web address, and telephone number, if applicable. If the Applicant does not have any predecessors that have done business, explicitly state so.

<u>Company Response</u>: CGE Renewables, LLC has not operated under any other name and has no predecessors.

#### 4. OPERATIONS

a. APPLICANT'S PRESENT OPERATIONS: (select and complete the appropriate statement)

#### **Definitions**

- Supplier an entity that sells electricity to end-use customers utilizing the jurisdictional transmission and distribution facilities of an EDC.
- Aggregator an entity that purchases electric energy and <u>takes title to electric energy</u> as an intermediary for sale to retail customers.
- Broker/Marketer an entity that acts as an intermediary in the sale and purchase of electric energy but does not take title to electric energy.

The	Applicant is presently doing business in Pennsylvania as a
	municipal electric corporation electric cooperative local gas distribution company provider of electric generation, transmission or distribution services broker/marketer engaged in the business of supplying electricity services Other; Identify the nature of service being rendered.

or

X The Applicant is not presently doing business in Pennsylvania.

b.	APPLICANT'S PROPOSED OPERATIONS: The Applicant proposes to operate as a (may check multiple):					
	Generator of electricity Supplier of electricity Aggregator engaged in the business of supplying electricity Broker/Marketer engaged in the business of supplying electricity services X Check here to verify that your organization will not be taking title to the electricity nor will you be making payments for customers.  Electric Cooperative and supplier of electric power Other (Describe):					
c.	<b>PROPOSED SERVICES:</b> Describe in detail the electric services or the electric generation services which the Applicant proposes to offer.					
	<u>Company Response</u> : CGE Renewables, LLC plans to offer electric broker services to residential, commercial, and industrial customers.					
d.	<b>PROPOSED SERVICE AREA:</b> Check the box of each Electric Distribution Company for which the Applicant proposes to provide service.					
	Citizens' Electric Duquesne Light Met-Ed UGI Utilities PECO Wellsboro Penelec Penn Power  X Entire Commonwealth of PA					
е.	CUSTOMERS: Applicant proposes to provide services to:					
	Residential Customers Small Commercial Customers - (25 kW and Under) Large Commercial Customers - (Over 25 kW) Industrial Customers Governmental Customers All of above Other (Describe): Residential and Small Commercial Customers in a Mixed Meter Capacity - This customer class reflects situations in which a large commercial, industrial, and/or governmental customer account also contains features of residential and/or small commercial customers. In this instance, the residential and/or small commercial portion must be an incidental portion of the larger account. This customer class alone does not allow marketing targeted directly to residential and/or small commercial customers. Further information may be found in the Requirements Applicable to Mixed Meter Scenarios Secretarial Letter served March 25, 2011, at Docket No. M-2009-2082042.					
f.	<b>START DATE:</b> Provide the approximate date the Applicant proposes to <u>actively market</u> within the Commonwealth.					
	Company Response: CGE Renewables, LLC would begin to actively market within the Commonwealth upon approval of its broker application.					

#### 5. COMPLIANCE

a. CRIMINAL/CIVIL PROCEEDINGS: State specifically whether the Applicant, an affiliate, a predecessor of either, or a person identified in this Application, has been or is currently the defendant of a criminal or civil proceeding within the last five (5) years.

Identify all such proceedings (active or closed), by name, subject and citation; whether before an administrative body or in a judicial forum. If the Applicant has no proceedings to list, explicitly state such.

<u>Company Response</u>: CGE Renewables, LLC has not been the defendant of a criminal or civil proceeding.

- b. SUMMARY: If applicable; provide a statement as to the resolution or present status of any such proceedings listed above.
- c. CUSTOMER/REGULATORY/PROSECUTORY ACTIONS: Identify all formal or escalated actions or complaints, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any state, filed with or by a customer, regulatory agency, or prosecutory agency against the Applicant, an affiliate, a predecessor of either, or a person identified in this Application, for the prior five (5) years, including but not limited to customers, Utility Commissions, and Consumer Protection Agencies such as the Offices of Attorney General. Applicant should also include if it had a Pennsylvania PUC EGS or NGS license previously cancelled by the Commission. If the Applicant has no actions or complaints to list, explicitly state such.

<u>Company Response</u>: CGE Renewables, LLC does not have any formal or escalated actions or complaints, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any state, filed with or by a customer, regulatory agency, or prosecutor agency.

d. SUMMARY: If applicable; provide a statement as to the resolution or present status of any actions listed above.

#### 6. PROOF OF SERVICE

Required of ALL Applicants regardless of operating as a supplier, broker, marketer, or aggregator.

(Example Certificate of Service is attached at Appendix C)

Company Response: Please see Attachment E.

a. STATUTORY AGENCIES: Pursuant to Section 5.14 of the Commission's Regulations, 52 Pa. Code §5.14, provide proof of service of a signed and verified Application with attachments on the following:

Bureau of Investigation & Enforcement Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street, 2 West Harrisburg, PA 17120

Office of Consumer Advocate 5th Floor, Forum Place 555 Walnut Street Harrisburg, PA 17120

Office of the Small Business Advocate Commerce Building, Suite 202 300 North Second Street Harrisburg, PA 17101 Office of the Attorney General Bureau of Consumer Protection Strawberry Square, 14th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17120

Department of Revenue Bureau of Compliance PO Box 281230 Harrisburg, PA 17128-1230 b. EDCs: Pursuant to Sections 1.57 and 1.58 of the Commission's Regulations, 52 Pa. Code §§1.57 and 1.58, provide Proof of Service of the Application and attachments upon each of the Electric Distribution Companies the Applicant proposed to provide service in. Upon review of the Application, further notice may be required pursuant to Section 5.14 of the Commission's Regulations, 52 Pa. Code §5.14. Contact information for each EDC is as follows.

#### **West Penn**

Legal Department West Penn Power d/b/a Allegheny Power 800 Cabin Hill Drive Greensburg, PA 15601-1689

#### **Duquesne Light**

Regulatory Affairs Duquesne Light Company 411 Seventh Street, MD 16-4 Pittsburgh, PA 15219

#### Met-Ed, Penelec and Penn Power:

Legal Department First Energy 2800 Pottsville Pike Reading PA, 19612

#### Citizens' Electric Company

Attn: EGS Coordination 1775 Industrial Boulevard Lewisburg, PA 17837

#### Wellsboro Electric Company:

Attn: EGS Coordination 33 Austin Street P. O. Box 138 Wellsboro, PA 16901

#### Pike County Light & Power Company

Vice President – Energy Supply Corning Natural Gas Holding Corporation 330 West William Street Corning, NY 14830

#### **PECO**

Manager Energy Acquisition PECO Energy Company 2301 Market Street Philadelphia. PA 19101-8699

#### PPL

Office of General Counsel Attn: Kimberly A. Klock Two North Ninth Street (GENTW3) Allentown, PA 18101-1179

#### UGI Utilities, Inc.

Attn: Rates Dept. – Choice Coordinator 1 UGI Drive Denver, PA 17517

#### 7. FINANCIAL FITNESS

a.	BONDING: In accordance with 66 Pa. C.S. Section 2809(c)(1)(i), the Applicant is required to file a bond
	or other instrument to ensure its financial responsibilities and obligations as an EGS. Therefore, the
	Applicant is

Furnishing the ORIGINAL of an initial bond, letter of credit or proof of bonding to the Commission in
the amount of \$250,000.

- Furnishing the <u>ORIGINAL</u> of another initial security for Commission approval, to ensure financial responsibility, such as a parental guarantee, in the amount of \$250,000.
- X <u>For Marketers and Brokers</u> Filing for a modification to the \$250,000 requirement and furnishing the <u>ORIGINAL</u> of an initial bond, letter of credit or proof of bonding to the Commission in the amount of \$10,000. Applicant is required to provide information supporting an amount less than \$250,000. Such supporting information must include indication that the Applicant will not take title to electricity and will not pay electricity bills on behalf of its customers. Further details for modification may be described as well.

#### Company Response: Please see Exhibit B.

#### **CRITICAL BONDING NOTES:**

Applicant is required to maintain a bond or other financial instrument the entire time it maintains an EGS license with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. If Applicant's security instrument is not continuous, Applicant <u>MUST</u> submit a Rider, Amendment, or Continuation Certificate annually based on the expiration date of its security instrument.

At least sixty days (60) prior to the security instrument's expiration date, Applicant should contact Stephen Jakab at <a href="mailto:siakab@pa.gov">siakab@pa.gov</a> to determine the appropriate bonding amount based on a percentage of Applicant's gross receipts resulting from the sale of generated electricity consumed in Pennsylvania. Once the amount has been determined, Applicant should overnight the updated security instrument(s) at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date to ensure adequate time for staff review and approval of the security instrument(s).

Template versions of a continuous bond, fixed-term bond, continuous letter of credit, and parental guarantee are attached at Appendix E, F, G, & H, respectively. Applicant's security must follow language from these examples, and must include the unmodified language outlined in Appendix D. Any deviation from these examples must be identified in the application and may not be acceptable to the Commission.

- b. FINANCIAL RECORDS, STATEMENTS, AND RATINGS: Applicant must provide sufficient information to demonstrate financial fitness commensurate with the service proposed to be provided. Examples of such information which may be submitted include the following:
  - Actual (or proposed) organizational structure including parent, affiliated or subsidiary companies.

#### Company Response: Please see Exhibit C.

 Published Applicant or parent company financial and credit information (i.e. 10Q or 10K). (SEC/EDGAR web addresses are sufficient)

#### Company Response: N/A.

 Applicant's accounting statements, including balance sheet and income statements for the past two years.

#### Company Response: Please see Exhibit D.

 Evidence of Applicant's credit rating. Applicant may provide a copy of its Dun and Bradstreet Credit Report and Robert Morris and Associates financial form, evidence of Moody's, S&P, or Fitch ratings, and/or other independent financial service reports.

#### Company Response: N/A.

 A description of the types and amounts of insurance carried by Applicant which are specifically intended to provide for or support its financial fitness to perform its obligations as a licensee.

#### Company Response: N/A.

Audited financial statements exhibiting accounts over a minimum two-year period.

#### Company Response: N/A.

Bank account statement, tax returns from the previous two years, or any other information that demonstrates Applicant's financial fitness.

#### Company Response: Please see Exhibit E.

c. SUPPLIER FUNDING METHOD: If Applicant is operating as anything other than <u>Broker/Marketer only</u>, explain how Applicant will fund its operations. Provide all credit agreements, lines of credit, etc., and elaborate on how much is available on each item.

#### Company Response: N/A.

d. BROKER PAYMENT STRUCTURE: If applicant is a broker/marketer, explain how your organization will be collecting your fees.

<u>Company Response:</u> The supplier will collect its fees directly from their customers in accordance with the terms and conditions of their energy supply contract. The supplier's contracted rate will include any broker fees and they will be collected as a residual component as the customers are billed. The supplier will remit payments to CGE Renewables LLC for sales entered into by the supplier and customer.

e. ACCOUNTING RECORDS CUSTODIAN: Provide the name, title, address, telephone number, FAX number, and e-mail address of Applicant's custodian for its accounting records.

Michelle Hofstetter
Chief Financial Officer
8751 18th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11214
accounting@cgerenewables.com
718-975-6605

f. TAXATION: Complete the <u>TAX CERTIFICATION STATEMENT</u> attached as Appendix I to this application.

All sections of the Tax Certification Statement must be completed. Submitting N/A on either the Sales Tax License Number or the Employer ID Number (items 7A and 7B) shall be accompanied by supporting documentation or an explanation validating the absence of such information.

Items 7A and 7C on the Tax Certification Statement are designated by the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue. Item 7B on the Tax Certification Statement is designated by the Internal Revenue Service.

Company Response: Please see Attachment D.

#### 8. TECHNICAL FITNESS:

To ensure that the present quality and availability of service provided by electric utilities does not deteriorate, the Applicant shall provide sufficient information to demonstrate technical fitness commensurate with the service proposed to be provided.

EXPERIENCE, PLAN, STRUCTURE: such information may include:

#### Company Response: Please see Exhibit F.

- Applicant's previous experience in the electricity industry.
- Summary and proof of licenses as a supplier of electric services in other states or jurisdictions.
- Type of customers and number of customers Applicant currently serves in other jurisdictions.
- Staffing structure and numbers as well as employee training commitments.
- Business plans for operations within the Commonwealth.
- Documentation of membership in PJM, ECAR, MAAC, other regional reliability councils, or any other membership or certification that is deemed appropriate to justify competency to operate as an EGS within the Commonwealth.
- Any other information appropriate to ensure the technical capabilities of the Applicant.

a.	PROPOSED MARKETING METHOD (check all that apply)					
	x x x	Internal – Applicant will use its own internal resources/employees for marketing External EGS – Applicant will contract with a PUC LICENSED EGS broker/marketer Affiliate – Applicant will use a NON-EGS affiliate marketing company and or individuals. External Third-Party – Applicant will contract with a NON-EGS third party marketing company and or individuals Other (Describe):				
b.	DOOR TO DOOR SALES: Will the Applicant be implementing door to door sales activities?					
	X	Yes No				
		If yes, will the Applicant be using verification procedures?				
	x x	Yes No				
		If yes, describe the Applicant's verification procedures.				
		any Response: CGE Renewables, LLC will be providing broker services with suppliers contract. The supplier would conduct verification procedures.				
C.	<b>OVERSIGHT OF MARKETING:</b> Explain all methods Applicant will use to ensure all marketing is performed in an ethical manner, for both employees and subcontractors.					
	with lo	Iny Response: All marketing material on behalf of CGE Renewables, LLC ("CGE") will comply cal, state and federal rules. Any person marketing on behalf of CGE will need to understand knowledge all guidelines, advertising, and marketing requirements. These guidelines will be tently monitored for any changes and implementation.				
d.	directly	ERS: Identify Applicant's chief officers, and include the professional resumes for any officers responsible for operations. All resumes should include date ranges and job descriptions ing actual work experience.				
	Compa	nny Response: Please see <u>Exhibit F</u> .				
е.	FERC	FILING: Applicant has:				
		Filed an Application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to be a Power Marketer.				
		Received approval from FERC to be a Power Marketer at Docket or Case Number				
	x	Not applicable				

#### 9. DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS:

**Disclosure Statements:** If proposing to serve Residential and/or Small Commercial (under 25 kW) Customers, provide a Residential and/or Small Commercial disclosure statement. A sample disclosure statement is provided as Appendix J to this Application.

 Electricity should be priced in clearly stated terms to the extent possible. Common definitions should be used. All consumer contracts or sales agreements should be written in plain language with any exclusions, exceptions, add-ons, package offers, limited time offers or other deadlines prominently communicated. Penalties and procedures for ending contracts should be clearly communicated.

Not applicable for an applicant applying for a license exclusively as a broker/marketer.

#### 10. VERIFICATIONS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, AND AGREEMENTS

- a. PJM LOAD SERVING ENTITY REQUIREMENT: As a prospective EGS, the applicant understands that those EGSs which provide retail electric supply service (i.e. takes title to electricity) must provide either:
  - proof of registration as a PJM Load Serving Entity (LSE), or
  - proof of a contractual arrangement with a registered PJM LSE that facilitates the retail electricity services of the EGS.

The Applicant understands that compliance with this requirement must be filed within 120 days of the Applicant receiving a license. As well, the Applicant understands that compliance with this requirement may be filed with this instant application.

(Select only one of the following)

- AGREED Applicant has included compliance with this requirement in the instant application, labeled in correspondence with this section (10).

  AGREED Applicant will provide compliance with this requirement within 120 days of receiving its license

  X ACKNOWLEDGED Applicant is not proposing to provide retail electric supply service at this time, and therefore is not presently obligated to provide such information
- b. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT AND DISCLOSURE: As a condition of receiving a license, Applicant agrees to conform to any Uniform Standards of Conduct and Disclosure as set forth by the Commission. Further, the Applicant agrees that it must comply with and ensure that its employees, agents, representatives, and independent contractors comply with the standards of conduct and disclosure set out in Commission regulations at 52 Pa. Code § 54.43, as well as any future amendments.

#### X AGREED

- c. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: Applicant agrees to provide the following information to the Commission or the Department of Revenue, as appropriate:
  - Retail Electricity Choice Activity Reports: The regulations at 52 Pa. Code §§ 54.201--54.204 require that all active EGSs report sales activity information. An EGS will file an annual report reporting for customer groups defined by annual usage. Reports must be filed using the appropriate report form that may be obtained from the PUC's Secretary's Bureau or the forms officer, or may be down-loaded from the PUC's internet web site.
  - Reports of Gross Receipts: Applicant shall report its Pennsylvania intrastate gross receipts to the Commission on a quarterly and year to date basis no later than 30 days following the end of the quarter.
  - The Treasurer or other appropriate officer of Applicant shall transmit to the Department of Revenue by March 15, an annual report, and under oath or affirmation, of the amount of gross receipts received by Applicant during the prior calendar year.

- Net Metering Reports: Applicant shall be responsible to report any Net Metering per the Standards on <a href="http://www.puc.pa.gov/consumer-info/electricity/alternative-energy.aspx">http://www.puc.pa.gov/consumer-info/electricity/alternative-energy.aspx</a>.
   Scroll down to the Net Metering Standards Section.
- Applicant shall report to the Commission the percentages of total electricity supplied by each fuel source on an annual basis per 52 Pa. Code § 54.39(d).
- Applicant will be required to meet periodic reporting requirements as may be issued by the Commission to fulfill the Commission's duty under Chapter 28 pertaining to reliability and to inform the Governor and Legislature of the progress of the transition to a fully competitive electric market.

#### X AGREED

d. TRANSFER OF LICENSE: The Applicant understands that if it plans to transfer its license to another entity, it is required to request authority from the Commission for permission prior to transferring the license. See 66 Pa. C.S. Section 2809(D). Transferee will be required to file the appropriate licensing application.

#### X AGREED

e. ANNUAL FEES: The Public Utility Code authorizes the PUC to collect an annual fee of \$350 from suppliers, brokers, marketers, and aggregators selling electricity in the Commonwealth of PA, and an annual supplemental fee based on annual gross intrastate revenues, applicable to suppliers only.

#### X ACKNOWLEDGED

f. FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS: Applicant is under a continuing obligation to amend its application if substantial changes occur to the information upon which the Commission relied in approving the original filing. See 52 Pa. Code § 54.34.

#### X AGREED

g. FALSIFICATION: The Applicant understands that the making of false statement(s) herein may be grounds

for denying the Application or, if later discovered, for revoking any authority granted pursuant to the Application. This Application is subject to 18 Pa. C.S. §§4903 and 4904, relating to perjury and falsification in official matters.

#### X AGREED

h. NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE: If your answer to any of these items changes during the pendency of your application or if the information relative to any item herein changes while you are operating within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, you are under a duty to so inform the Commission, within twenty (20) days, as to the specifics of any changes which have a significant impact on the conduct of business in Pennsylvania. See 52 Pa. Code § 54.34.

#### X AGREED

i. CEASING OF OPERATIONS: Applicant is also required to officially notify the Commission if it plans to cease doing business in Pennsylvania, 90 days prior to ceasing operations.

#### X AGREED

j. Electronic Data Interchange: The Applicant acknowledges the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) requirements and the relevant contacts for each EDC, as listed at Appendix M.

#### X AGREED

- k. FILING FEE: The Applicant has enclosed or paid the required, non-refundable filing fee by CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER in the amount of \$350.00 payable to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The Commission does not accept corporate or personal checks for filing fees.
  - X PAYMENT ENCLOSED

#### 11. AFFIDAVITS

#### Must be notarized before filing.

a. APPLICATION AFFIDAVIT: Complete and submit with your filing an officially notarized Application Affidavit stating that all the information submitted in this application is truthful and correct. An example copy of this Affidavit can be found at Appendix A.

#### Company Response: Please see Attachment A.

b. OPERATIONS AFFIDAVIT: Provide an officially notarized affidavit stating that you will adhere to the reliability protocols of the North American Electric Reliability Council, the appropriate regional reliability council(s), and the Commission, and that you agree to comply with the operational requirements of the control area(s) within which you provide retail service. An example copy of this Affidavit can be found at Appendix B.

#### Company Response: Please see Attachment B.

#### 12. NEWSPAPER PUBLICATIONS

Required of ALL Applicants regardless of operating as a supplier, broker, marketer, or aggregator.

Notice of filing of this Application must be published in newspapers of general circulation covering each county in which the applicant intends to provide service. The newspapers in which proof of publication are required is dependent on the service territories the applicant is proposing to serve.

The chart below dictates which newspapers are necessary for each EDC. For example, an applicant that wants to operate in Penn Power would need to run ads in both The Erie Times-News and the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. If the applicant is proposing to serve the entire Commonwealth, please file proof of publication in all seven newspapers.

The only acceptable verification of this requirement is with Notarized Proofs of Publication, which may be requested from each newspaper and must be supplied with this application. Applicants do not need a docket number in their publication. Docket numbers will be issued when all criteria on the item 14 checklist (see below) are satisfied.

#### Company Response: Please see Attachment C.

	Erie Times- News	Harrisburg Patriot- News	Philadelphia Daily News or Philadelphia Inquirer	Pittsburgh Post- Gazette	Scranton Times- Tribune	Williamsport Sun-Gazette	Johnstown Tribune- Democrat
Citizens' Electric						Х	
Duquesne				Х			
Met Ed		X	X		Х		
PECO			Х				
Penelec	X	Х			Х	Х	Х
Penn Power	Х			Х			
Pike					х		
PPL		Х	×		х	Х	
UGI					х		
Wellsboro						х	

West Penn		Х		Х		X	X
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Commonwealth	X	X	X	X	x	Х	X

## 13. SIGNATURE

Applicant: _	CGE Renev	vables_LLC
By:	Thit	1 line
Title:	Robert Palmese, C	hief Executive Officer

# DATE OF DEPOSIT

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PA Public Utility Commission Secretary's Bureau

### 14. CHECKLIST

For the applicant's convenience, please use the following checklist to ensure all relevant sections are complete. The Commission Secretary's Bureau will not accept an application unless each of the following sections are complete.

## Applicant: CGE Renewables, LLC

Applicant's Use		Signature	!
		Filing Fee (CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY)	
	Attachment A	Application Affidavit	
	Attachment B	Operations Affidavit	
	Attachment C	Proof of Publication	
	Exhibit B	Bond, Letter of Credit, or Parental/Affiliate Guarantee	
	Attachment D	Tax Certification Statement	
	Exhibit A	Commonwealth Department of State Verification	
	Attachment E	Certificate of Service	

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#### Attachment A

#### APPLICATION AFFIDAVIT

State of New York

SS.

County of Kings

Robert Palmese, Affiant, being duly affirmed according to law, deposes, and says that:

He is the Chief Executive Officer, Officer of CGE Renewables, LLC; That he That he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for said Applicant.

That the Applicant herein CGE Renewables, LLC has the burden of producing information and supporting documentation demonstrating its technical and financial fitness to be licensed as an electric broker.

That the Applicant herein CGE Renewables, LLC has answered the questions on the application correctly, truthfully, and completely and provided supporting documentation as required.

That the Applicant herein CGE Renewables, LLC acknowledges that it is under a duty to update information provided in answer to questions on this application and contained in supporting documents.

That the Applicant herein CGE Renewables, LLC acknowledges that it is under a duty to supplement information provided in answer to questions on this application and contained in supporting documents as requested by the Commission.

That the facts above set forth are true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge, information, and belief, and that he expects said Applicant to be able to prove the same at hearing.

Sworn and subscribed before me this Ab day of

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**JENNY ORTIZ NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF NEW YORK** Registration No. 010R0006548 **Qualified** in Kings County My Commission Expires April 27, 2027

### **Attachment B**

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#### **OPERATIONS AFFIDAVIT**

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Robert Palmese, Affiant, being duly affirmed according to law, deposes, and says that:

He is the Chief Executive Officer, Officer of CGE Renewables, LLC; That he That he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for said Applicant.

That CGE Renewables, LLC, the Applicant herein, acknowledges that CGE Renewables, LLC may have obligations pursuant to this Application consistent with the Public Utility Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Title 66 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes; or with other applicable statutes or regulations 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 doing business in Pennsylvania.

That CGE Renewables, LLC, the Applicant herein, asserts that [he/she/it] possesses the requisite technical, managerial, and financial fitness to render electric service within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and that the Applicant will abide by all applicable federal and state laws and regulations and by the decisions of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

That CGE Renewables, LLC, the Applicant herein, certifies to the Commission that it is subject to, will pay, and in the past has paid, the full amount of taxes imposed by Articles II and XI of the Act of March 4, 1971 (P.L. 6, No. 2), known as the Tax Reform Act of 1971 and any tax imposed by Chapter 28 of Title 66. The Applicant acknowledges that failure to pay such taxes or otherwise comply with the taxation requirements of Chapter 28, shall be cause for the Commission to revoke the license of the Applicant. The Applicant acknowledges that it shall report to the Commission its jurisdictional Gross Receipts and power sales for ultimate consumption, for the previous year or as otherwise required by the Commission. The Applicant also acknowledges that it is subject to 66 Pa. C.S. §506 (relating to the inspection of facilities and records).

As provided by 66 Pa. C.S. §2810 (C)(6)(iv), Applicant, by filing of this application waives confidentiality with respect to its state tax information in the possession of the Department of Revenue, regardless of the source of the information, and shall consent to the Department of Revenue providing that information to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

That CGE Renewables, LLC, the Applicant herein, acknowledges that it has a statutory obligation to conform with 66 Pa. C.S. §506, §2807 (C), §2807(D)(2), §2809(B) and the standards and billing practices of 52 PA. Code Chapter 56.

That the Applicant agrees to provide all consumer education materials and information in a timely manner as requested by the Bureau of Public Liaison or other Commission bureaus. Materials and information requested may be analyzed by the Commission to meet obligations under applicable sections of the law.

That the facts above set forth are true and correct/true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge, information, and belief.

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Signature of official administering oath

JENNY ORTIZ

My commission expires

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### **Attachment C**

**Proof of Publication** 

No	Term,
Proof of Publication of Notice in Pittsburgh Post-Gaz	
Under Act No 587, Approved May 16, 1929, PL 1784, as last amended by Act No 409 of	September 29, 1951
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, County of Allegheny, ss D. Rullo, being duly swo Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of Pittsburgh, County and established in 1993 by the merging of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette and Sun-Telegraph and The Pittsburgh Gazette and Sun-Telegraph was established in 1960 and the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette was established in Pittsburgh Gazette established in 1786 and the Pittsburgh Post, established in 1842, since which date the sbeen regularly issued in said County and that a copy of said printed notice or publication is attached by printed and published in the regular editions and issues of the newspaper of general circulation on the following dates, viz:	Commonwealth aforesaid, wan Press and the Pittsburgh Post in 1927 by the merging of the aid Pittsburgh Post-Gazette hatereto exactly as the same was
08 of June, 2023 Affiant further deposes that he/she is an agent for the PG Publishing Company, a corporation and publisher that, as such agent, affiant is duly authorized to verify the foregoing statement under oath, that affiant is not in the afore said notice or publication, and that all allegations in the foregoing statement as to time, place and of the afore said notice or publication.	iterested in the subject matter o
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PG Publishing Company	PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of: June 8, 2023  1	Applications of CGE Renewables LLC For Approval To Offer, Render, or Furnish Services as a Broker Engaged in The Business Of Supplying Natural Gas Supply Services and Electricity Supply To The Public in The Commonwealth Of Pennsylvania.  CGE Renewables LLC will be filing an application with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("PUC") for a license to provide natural gas supply services as a broker engaged in the business of providing natural gas services. CGE Renewables LLC will also be filing an application with the PUC for a license to supply electricity or electric generation services as a broker engaged in the business of supplying electricity. CGE Renewables LLC proposes to sell electricity, natural gas, and related services in Allegheny Power / West Penn Power, Duquesne Light, Met-Ed / First Energy/PECO/Penelec/PPL under the provisions of the new Natural Gas Choice and
Total \$436.15	Competition Act and the Electricity Generation Customer Choice and
Publisher's Receipt for Advertising Costs  PG PUBLISHING COMPANY, publisher of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, a newspaper of general circulation, hereby acknowledges receipt of the aforesaid advertising and publication costs and certifies that the same have been fully paid.  Office 2201 Sweeney Drive Clinton, PA 15026 legaladvertising@post-gazette.com Phone 412-263-1440  By  David Location  By  I hereby certify that the foregoing is the original Proof of Publication and receipt for the Advertising costs in the subject matter of said notice.	Competition Act. The PUC may consider this application without a hearing. Protests directed to the technical or financial fitness of CGE Renewables LLC may be filed within 15 days of the date of this notice with the Secretary of the PUC, 400 North Street, Harrisburg, PA 17120, You should send copies of any protest to CGE Renewables LLC attorney at the address listed below.  By and through Counsel: Rocell Cyrus Esq. CGE Renewables LLC 1515 Market Street, Suite 1200 Philladelphia, PA 19102 Phone: 718-975-4223
Attorney For	

#### **Attachment E**

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

On this the <u>33</u> day of <u>3000</u> 20<u>33</u> I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing application form for licensing within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as an Electric Broker and all <u>NON-CONFIDENTIAL</u> attachments have been served, as either a hardcopy or a searchable PDF version on a cd-rom, upon the following:

Bureau of Investigation & Enforcement Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street, 2 West Harrisburg, PA 17120

Office of Consumer Advocate 5th Floor, Forum Place 555 Walnut Street Harrisburg, PA 17120

Small Business Advocate Commerce Building, Suite 202 300 North Second Street Harrisburg, PA 17101

Legal Department West Penn Power d/b/a Allegheny Power 800 Cabin Hill Drive Greensburg, PA 15601-1689

Regulatory Affairs Duquesne Light Company 411 Seventh Street, MD 16-4 Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Legal Department First Energy 2800 Pottsville Pike Reading PA, 19612

Citizens' Electric Company Attn: EGS Coordination 1775 Industrial Boulevard Lewisburg, PA 17837

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PA Public Utility Commission Secretary's Bureau Office of the Attorney General Bureau of Consumer Protection Strawberry Square, 14th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17120

Department of Revenue Bureau of Compliance PO Box 281230 Harrisburg, PA 17128-1230

Vice President – Energy Supply Corning Natural Gas Holding Corporation 330 West William Street Corning, NY 14830

Manager Energy Acquisition PECO Energy Company 2301 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19101-8699

Office of General Counsel Attn: Kimberly A. Klock PPL Two North Ninth Street (GENTW3) Allentown, PA 18101-1179

UGI Utilities, Inc. Attn: Rates Dept. – Choice Coordinator 1 UGI Drive Denver, PA 17517

Wellsboro Electric Company Attn: EGS Coordination 33 Austin Street P. O. Box 138 Wellsboro, PA 16901

Robert Palmese, Chief Executive Officer

#### **Exhibit C**

#### **Financial Records, Statements, and Ratings**

Actual (or proposed) organizational structure including parent, affiliated or subsidiary companies.

Company Response: CGE Renewables, LLC is 100% owned by CGE Holdings, LLC.

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#### Exhibit F

#### Experience, Plan, Structure

1. Applicant's previous experience in the electricity industry.

**Company Response:** Please see Biographies of key employees below:

#### Robert Palmese - Chief Executive Officer

Robert Palmese is the Managing Member of CGE Renewables, LLC. Mr. Palmese has about 20 years' experience selling electricity and natural gas at retail. He is in charge of the day-to-day operations of the Applicant and various electric power and natural gas entities. Mr. Palmese graduated from Georgetown University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration.

#### Mark Marzocchi - Sr. Vice President, Commercial Sales

Mr. Marzocchi leads the Commercial Sales team of CGE Renewables, LLC. Mark is an industry veteran having been at Original Energy, Genie Energy, AP Gas and Electric and Hudson Energy. Mark also has a wealth of experience with energy efficiency and renewable energy products. He is also a Captain for the Tenafly Volunteer Fire Department for the past 21 years.

2. Summary and proof of licenses as a supplier of electric services in other states or jurisdictions.

#### Company Response: N/A

3. Type of customers and number of customers Applicant currently serves in other jurisdictions.

<u>Company Response</u>: CGE Renewables, LLC ("CGE") has performed marketing services as a broker for community solar in the state of NY. CGE has recently launched electric broker services in multiple states.

4. Staffing structure and numbers as well as employee training commitments.

<u>Company Response</u>: CGE Renewables LLC currently has 3 employees. Each employee will be required to understand / read and via a recorded training session acknowledge an understanding of all compliance measure and state guidance all rules of engagement. We are also currently working on a Code of Conduct to be signed by employees as well.

5. Business plans for operations within the Commonwealth

<u>Company Response</u>: Company Response: CGE Renewables, LLC's ("CGE") current business plan includes acting as an energy advisory and management service guiding customers on renewable energy services and supply service offerings through third-party competitive suppliers.

6. Documentation of membership in PJM, ECAR, MAAC, other regional reliability councils, or any other membership or certification that is deemed appropriate to justify competency to operate as an EGS within the Commonwealth.

Company Response: N/A