



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 4901:1-24-01 Definitions.

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As used in this chapter:

(A) "Abandonment" means ceasing to provide competitive retail electric service(s) to one or more classes of customers in one or more electric distribution service territories prior to the expiration of customers' contracts.

(B) "Aggregation" means combining the electric load of multiple retail customers through an agreement with the customers or formation of a governmental aggregation pursuant to section 4928.20 of the Revised Code for the purposes of purchasing retail electric generation service on an aggregated basis.

(C) "Aggregator" means a person, certified by the commission, who contracts with customers to combine the customers' electric load for the purpose of purchasing retail electric generation service on an aggregated basis. The term, as used in this chapter, does not include a governmental aggregator.

(D) "Applicant" means a person who files an application for certification or certification renewal under this chapter.

(E) "Application form" means a form, approved by the commission, that an applicant seeking certification or certification renewal as a competitive retail electric service provider files with the commission as set forth in this chapter.

(F) "Billing and collection agent" has the meaning set forth in division (A)(2) of section 4928.01 of the Revised Code.

(G) "Certified territory" has the meaning set forth in division (A)(3) of section 4928.01 of the Revised Code.



(H) "Competitive retail electric service" (CRES) has the meaning set forth in division (A)(4) of section 4928.01 of the Revised Code, and includes the services provided by retail electric generation providers, power marketers, power brokers, aggregators, and governmental aggregators.

(I) "Commission" means the public utilities commission of Ohio.

(J) "CRES provider" means a person or entity, under certification by the commission who supplies or offers to supply a CRES.

(K) "Electric cooperative" has the meaning set forth in division (A)(5) of section 4928.01 of the Revised Code.

(L) "Electric distribution utility" has the meaning set forth in division (A)(6) of section 4928.01 of the Revised Code.

(M) "Electric services company" has the meaning set forth in division (A)(9) of section 4928.01 of the Revised Code.

(N) "Electric utility" has the meaning set forth in division (A)(11) of section 4928.01 of the Revised Code.

(O) "Filing under seal" means personally delivering to the commission's docketing division a sealed envelope containing information intended to be kept proprietary and confidential. This action must be accompanied by the filing and docketing of a "motion for protective order," pursuant to rule 4901-1-24 of the Administrative Code.

(P) "Governmental aggregator" has the meaning set forth in division (A)(13) of section 4928.01 of the Revised Code.

(Q) "Mercantile customer" has the meaning set forth in division (A)(19) of section 4928.01 of the Revised Code.



(R) "Person" has the meaning set forth in division (A)(24) of section 4928.01 of the Revised Code.

(S) "Power broker" means a person, certified by the commission, who provides power brokerage.

(T) "Power brokerage" means assuming the contractual and legal responsibility for the sale and/or arrangement for the supply of retail electric generation service to a retail customer in this state without taking title to the electric power supplied.

(U) "Power marketer" means a person, certified by the commission, who provides power marketing services.

(V) "Power marketing" means assuming the contractual and legal responsibility for the sale and provision of retail electric generation service to a retail customer in this state and having title to electric power provided at some point during the transaction.

(W) "Retail electric generation provider" means a person, certified by the commission, who provides retail electric generation service in this state.

(X) "Retail electric generation service" means the provision of electric power to a retail customer in this state through facilities provided by an electric distribution utility and/or a transmission entity in this state. The term encompasses the services performed by retail electric generation providers, power marketers, and power brokers, but does not encompass the service provided by an electric utility pursuant to sections 4928.141, 4928.142, and 4928.143 or division (D) of section 4928.35 of the Revised Code.

(Y) "Service agreement" means the initial agreement and any amendments or supplements thereto entered into by the applicant and any provider of a service necessary to transport, schedule, and deliver CRES to the retail customer (e.g., transmission service, ancillary services, scheduling coordination, and distribution service).

(Z) "Small commercial customer" means a commercial customer that is not a mercantile customer.

(AA) "Staff" means the commission staff or its authorized representative.