

## **Attachment F**

### **Technical Qualifications**

Starion Energy PA Inc. meets the technical qualifications set forth in part **451.330(b)** through the experience of its president and the use of contracted consultants:

#### **Ruzhdi Dauti, MBA – President & Chief Executive Officer**

Ruzhdi Dauti is the President and CEO of Starion Energy Inc. and has served in this role since 2009. Starion Energy currently operates as a competitive electricity supplier in Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Washington D.C. Mr. Dauti is one of the founders of Starion and responsible for all aspects of creating and implementing the company's infrastructure and operations. Mr. Dauti manages or directly oversees all operations including; sales and marketing, strong compliance standards, energy procurement, hedging/risk management, and financial management.

Prior to Starion Energy, Mr. Dauti was the Chief Financial Officer of Public Power and Utility Inc., an electricity supplier headquartered in CT. His responsibilities included the creation of analytical models for managing market and financial risk exposure. This required working closely and advising senior management, sales directors and operations in creating and implementing proper business practices and processes. Along with this, he worked with the utility and managed the technical services relationship to assure proper reporting and compliance.

Prior to working with Public Power and Utility Inc., Mr. Dauti was the Senior Financial Analyst at Regeneron Pharmaceuticals Inc., a publicly traded biotechnology company. He was responsible for research and development of financial modeling and risk analysis that was required for the board of directors to make key business decisions. He served on the Operations Committee that selected and implemented enterprise software and the Joint Finance Committee tasked to oversee collaboration with international strategic partnership valued at \$600 million. Additionally, he was on the Investment Committee responsible for managing and ensuring proper compliance of a \$500 million portfolio. Lastly, he was the Special Projects Manager, tasked to oversee teams of individuals designated to non-recurring specialized projects.

#### **Steven Malkiewicz, ESCO Advisors (Contracted Consultant)**

Mr. Malkiewicz was the Managing Director and founder of St. Clair Energy Associates LLC (1997 to 2011), a management consulting firm serving the energy/utilities industry. His experience is a unique blend of financial and analysis assignments, with strategic and operational

responsibilities, including helping to establish, finance and build several new businesses. Mr. Malkiewicz has founded or assisted in forming and building several new businesses designed to capture opportunities in restructured energy markets in the US and Canada, serving in roles from Chief Financial Officer to supply management, regulatory and finance responsibilities. Mr. Malkiewicz has held various senior officer capacities at SEMCO Energy Inc. (1990 to 1997), a gas distributor based in Michigan, including Senior Vice President and COO, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer and Controller and Treasurer of its energy marketing and investment subsidiary. Mr. Malkiewicz began his career as an auditor and consultant at Arthur Andersen in the Chicago and Detroit offices (1982 to 1990). He is a Certified Public Accountant and a member of the Global Association of Risk Professionals. He has a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting from Eastern Michigan University.

Ed Toppi, Customized Energy Solutions, Vice-President, Retail Market Services (Contracted Consultant)

Ed joined Customized Energy Solutions in July 2006 as a Senior Energy Consultant. Currently, his primary area of focus is providing consulting services to load serving entities in the areas of market analysis, risk management, hedging strategy, and other operational areas. Additionally, Ed assists with quantitative analysis and retail energy marketing expertise on a variety of client projects. Ed has over 10 years experience in the electricity industry—mostly in deregulated markets. Prior to joining Customized, Ed was a vice president with Constellation NewEnergy, where he ran the company's Mid-Atlantic regional business and oversaw Customer Acquisition Operations and Load Forecasting. Prior to that, Ed held positions with Exelon Energy and Public Service Enterprise Group.

Mr. Malkiewicz and Mr. Toppi possess the technical qualifications required in part 451.330(b).

**Section 451.330(e)**

Starion is confident that it has met the technical qualifications as noted above. In the event the Commission desires additional support, Starion has provided the following information to further demonstrate the extent its technical resources and abilities match the services it intends to provide to its customers.

Starion Energy Inc. and its subsidiaries are managed by a group of highly qualified executives with deep experience in all aspects of the retail electric supply business. By overseeing the staff and consultants, they retain the ultimate responsibility for power purchasing, scheduling, hedging, settlement, renewable energy credits, pricing, risk management, billing, regulatory filings, tax filings, and customer service. The companies operate successfully in Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania and Maryland and continue to grow its business, as indicated by the recent license approval in the District of Columbia. We utilize the services of EC Infosystems, a leader in the EDI industry to manage our enrollments and customer data through a complex and interactive system. We have supplemented ECIs efforts with our own internal development of sophisticated technological systems.