**ERCOT Nodal Protocols**

**Section 23**

**Form G: QSE Application and Service Filing for Registration Form**

**May 1, 2024**

**QUALIFIED SCHEDULING ENTITY (QSE)**

**APPLICATION AND SERVICE FILING FOR REGISTRATION**

This application is for approval as a Qualified Scheduling Entity (QSE) by Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. (ERCOT) in accordance with the ERCOT Protocols. Information may be inserted electronically to expand the reply spaces as necessary. ERCOT will accept the completed, executed application via email to [MPRegistration@ercot.com](mailto:MPRegistration@ercot.com) (.pdf version). In addition to the application, ERCOT must receive an application fee in the amount of $500 via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) (wire or Automated Clearing House (ACH)) for each QSE or subordinate QSE (Sub-QSE) registered. ERCOT must also receive a background check fee in the amount of $350 per Applicant’s Principal via EFT (wire or ACH). All payments should reference the Applicant’s name and Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number (DUNS #) in the remarks. If you need assistance filling out this form, or if you have any questions, please call (512) 248-3900.

This application must be signed by the Authorized Representative, Backup Authorized Representative or an Officer of the company listed herein, as appropriate. ERCOT may request additional information as reasonably necessary to support operations under the ERCOT Protocols.

**PART I – ENTITY Information**

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| **Legal Name of the Applicant:** |  |
| **Legal Address of the Applicant:** | Street Address: |
|  | City, State, Zip: |
| **DUNS¹ Number:** |  |

¹Defined in Section 2.1, Definitions.

**Check if Applying as an Emergency Response Service (ERS) Only QSE.**

**1. Authorized Representative (“AR”).** Defined in Section 2.1, Definitions.

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| **Name:** | |  | |
| **Telephone:** |  | | |
| **Email Address:** | | |  |

**2. Backup AR.** *(Optional)* This person may sign any form for which an AR’s signature is required and will perform the functions of the AR as defined in the ERCOT Protocols in the event the AR is unavailable.

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| **Name:** | |  | |
| **Telephone:** |  | | |
| **Email Address:** | | |  |

**3. Type of Legal Structure.** (Please indicate only one.)

Individual  Partnership  Municipally Owned Utility

Electric Cooperative  Limited Liability Company  Corporation

Other:

If Applicant is not an individual, provide the state in which the Applicant is organized,      , and the date of organization:      .

**4. User Security Administrator (USA).** As defined in Section 16.12, User Security Administrator and Digital Certificates, the USA is responsible for managing the Market Participant’s access to ERCOT’s computer systems through Digital Certificates.

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| **Name:** | |  | |
| **Telephone:** |  | | |
| **Email Address:** | | |  |

**5. Backup USA.** *(Optional)* This person may perform the functions of the USA as defined in the ERCOT Protocols in the event the USA is unavailable.

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| **Name:** | |  | |
| **Telephone:** |  | | |
| **Email Address:** | | |  |

**6. Cybersecurity.** This contact is responsible for communicating Cybersecurity Incidents.

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| **Name:** | |  | |
| **Telephone:** |  | | |
| **Email Address:** | | |  |

**7. Control or Operations Center *(if applicable)*.** As defined in item (1)(n) of Section 16.2.1, Criteria for Qualification as a Qualified Scheduling Entity, the control or operations center is responsible for operational communications and shall have sufficient authority to commit and bind the QSE. For QSEs that are Wide Area Network (WAN) Participants, the availability of the control or operations center is 24-hour, seven-day-per-week.

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| **Desk Name:** | | |  | | | | | | |
| **Address:** | |  | | | | | | | |
| **City:** |  | | | | **State:** |  | | **Zip:** |  |
| **Telephone:** | |  | | | | **Fax:** |  | | |
| **Email Address:** | | | |  | | | | | |

**8. Compliance Contact.** This person is responsible for compliance related issues.

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| **Name:** | |  | |
| **Telephone:** |  | | |
| **Email Address:** | | |  |

**9. Proposed commencement date for service:**

**PART II – BANKING INFORMATION FOR FUNDS TRANSFERS**

**1. Banking Information.** Applicant must be able to conduct Electronic Funds Transfers (EFTs) for the settlement of financial transactions with ERCOT.

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| **Bank Name:** |  |
| **Account Name:** |  |
| **Account No.:** |  |
| **ABA Number:** |  |

**2. Accounts Payable Contact (Settlement & Billing).**

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| **Name:** | |  | | |  |  |
| **Telephone:** |  | | |  |  | |
| **Email Address:** | | |  | | | |

**Backup Accounts Payable Contact (Settlement & Billing).** *(Optional)*

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| **Name:** | |  | | |  |  |
| **Telephone:** |  | | |  |  | |
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**PART III – DECLARATION OF SUBORDINATE QSEs**

If the QSE intends to partition itself into Sub-QSEs, please enter information for each Sub-QSE below. If a Sub-QSE is required to have a 24x7 Control or Operation Center and will have a different Contact than the QSE, please provide that information in the spaces provided below. The Sub-QSE name must have a reference to the Legal Entity Name. For example: Legal Name of Market Participant (SQ1), Legal Name of Market Participant (SQ2), etc.

**Sub-QSE One (SQ1)**

**Name:**       **Proposed commencement date for service:**

**Contact information same?  Yes  No (If no, complete the section below)**

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| **Desk Name:** | | |  | | | | **Title:** |  | | |
| **Address:** | |  | | | | | | | | |
| **City:** |  | | | | **State:** |  | | | **Zip:** |  |
| **Telephone:** | |  | | | | **Fax:** |  | | | |
| **Email Address:** | | | |  | | | | | | |

**Sub-QSE Two (SQ2)**

**Name:**       **Proposed commencement date for service:**

**Contact information same?  Yes  No (If no, complete the section below)**

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| **Desk Name:** | | |  | | | | **Title:** |  | | |
| **Address:** | |  | | | | | | | | |
| **City:** |  | | | | **State:** |  | | | **Zip:** |  |
| **Telephone:** | |  | | | | **Fax:** |  | | | |
| **Email Address:** | | | |  | | | | | | |

**Sub-QSE Three (SQ3)**

**Name:**       **Proposed commencement date for service:**

**Contact information same?  Yes  No (If no, complete the section below)**

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| **Desk Name:** | | |  | | | | **Title:** |  | | |
| **Address:** | |  | | | | | | | | |
| **City:** |  | | | | **State:** |  | | | **Zip:** |  |
| **Telephone:** | |  | | | | **Fax:** |  | | | |
| **Email Address:** | | | |  | | | | | | |

**Sub-QSE Four (SQ4)**

**Name:**       **Proposed commencement date for service:**

**Contact information same?  Yes  No (If no, complete the section below)**

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| **Desk Name:** | | |  | | | | **Title:** |  | | |
| **Address:** | |  | | | | | | | | |
| **City:** |  | | | | **State:** |  | | | **Zip:** |  |
| **Telephone:** | |  | | | | **Fax:** |  | | | |
| **Email Address:** | | | |  | | | | | | |

**PART IV – ADDiTIONAL REQUIRED Information**

**1. Officers and Principals.** Provide the name of all officers and the name and position of each Principal, as defined by Section 16.1.2, Principal of a Market Participant, along with a current email address for each Principal. An individual background check will be performed on each Principal of the Applicant. In addition, ERCOT will obtain the names of all individuals and/or entities listed with the Texas Secretary of State as having binding authority for the Applicant. ERCOT will use this list of individuals to determine who can execute such documents as the Standard Form Market Participant Agreement (Section 22, Attachment A), Amendment to Standard Form Market Participant Agreement (Section 22, Attachment C), Digital Certificate Audit Attestation, etc. Alternatively, additional documentation (Articles of Incorporation, Board Resolutions, Delegation of Authority, Secretary’s Certificate, etc.) can be provided to prove binding authority for the Applicant. *(Attach on additional pages.)*

**2. Affiliates and Other Registrations.** Provide the name, legal structure, and relationship of each of the Applicant’s affiliates, if applicable. See Section 2.1, Definitions, for the definition of “Affiliate.” Please also provide the name and type of any other ERCOT Market Participant registrations held by the Applicant. *(Attach additional pages if necessary.)*

**3. Disclosures.** Provide the name of any Principal of the Applicant that is now, or was at any point in time, a Principal of any other Entity that is now, or was at any point in time, a registered ERCOT Market Participant, along with the name of the relevant ERCOT Market Participant and the dates during which the Principal of the Applicant was a Principal of the other Entity. *(Attach on additional pages.)*

In addition, provide the following disclosures involving Applicant, its predecessors, Affiliates, or Principals. *(Attach on additional pages.)*:

(a) Any civil or criminal matters involving the applicant, its predecessors, Affiliates, or Principals within the last ten years that resulted in a conviction or finding of fraud, theft, larceny, deceit, deceptive trade practices, or a violation of securities or customer protection laws;

(b) Any complaint, formal investigation, or disciplinary action concerning financial matters initiated by or with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC), Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), a self-regulatory organization, Independent System Operator or Regional Transmission Organization, or a state public utility commission or securities board directly involving the actions of the applicant, its predecessors, Affiliates, or Principals within the last ten years;

(c) Any default involving the applicant, its predecessors, Affiliates, or Principals, that impacted or revoked the right to operate in any other energy market within the last ten years;

(d) Any bankruptcy by the applicant, its predecessors, Affiliates, or Principals within the last ten years; and

Finally, for each Principal, as defined by Section 16.1.2, ERCOT will work with the third-party that performs ERCOT’s background checks. Each Principal will then be emailed directly by the third-party with directions on securely providing the third-party with information necessary to perform a background check, including Principals’ Social Security numbers, birth dates, and home addresses for the last ten years.

**4. Counter-Party Credit Application.** Complete the Counter-Party Credit Application, located at http://www.ercot.com/services/rq/credit, and submit as instructed in conjunction with this application, in accordance with Section 16.2, Registration and Qualification of Qualified Scheduling Entities.

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| **Affiliate Name**  (or name used for other ERCOT registration) | **Type of Legal Structure**  (partnership, limited liability company, corporation, etc.) | **Relationship**  (parent, subsidiary, partner, affiliate, etc.) |
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**5. Annual Certification Form to Meet ERCOT Additional Minimum Participation.** Complete Section 22, Attachment J, Annual Certification Form to Meet ERCOT Additional Minimum Participation Requirements, and submit in conjunction with this application, pursuant to Section 16.16.3, Verification of Risk Management Framework.

**PART V – SIGNATURE**

I affirm that I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this application and that I have the authority to submit this application form on behalf of the Applicant. I further affirm that all statements made and information provided in this application form are true, correct and complete, and that the Applicant will provide to ERCOT any changes in such information in a timely manner.

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| Signature of AR, Backup AR or Officer: |  |
| Printed Name of AR, Backup AR or Officer: |  |
| Date: |  |