

199—30.1(476) General information.

30.1(1) Scope and limitation. This chapter establishes the process by which, upon a petition from a utility, the board will verify that a specified percentage of a utility's energy generation is renewable energy.

30.1(2) Definitions. Except where otherwise specifically defined by law:

“*M-RETS*” means the Midwest Renewable Energy Tracking System.

“*PJM-GATS*” means the PJM Generation Attribute Tracking System.

“*Prior period*” means the calendar year immediately preceding the utility's request for verification of the REP.

“*RECs*” means the renewable energy certificates for renewable generation in a tracking system.

“*Renewable energy claim*” means a claim made by a utility or a customer of a utility concerning the percentage of renewable energy used by the customer in a calendar year.

“*Renewable energy percentage*” or “*REP*” means the amount of renewable energy purchased and produced by a utility and used to serve its retail sales in a calendar year as a percentage of its overall retail sales.

“*Renewable generation*” means energy produced at any facility described in Iowa Code section 476.42(1)“a”(1).

“*Retired RECs*” means the quantity of RECs that (1) represent renewable generation in the prior period registered in accordance with tracking system rules and requirements, and (2) are retired by the utility in the tracking system in accordance with the tracking system rules and requirements, for the benefit of all of the utility's customers prior to the calculation of the REP for such prior period. “Retired RECs” cannot include RECs that are obligated to specific entities or for purposes outside of this program. However, “retired RECs” does include RECs associated with any renewable energy mandates set forth in the Iowa Code.

“*Total retail sales*” means the amount of retail sales recorded by the utility in its IE-1 annual report to the board.

“*Tracking system*” means M-RETS, PJM-GATS or such other tracking systems as may be approved for use by the board, provided that renewable generation may be registered and retired in only one tracking system.

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