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IN THE MATTER OF THE ALLEGED FAILURE OF CENSTAR ENERGY CORP., SPARK ENERGY GAS, LLC, SPARK ENERGY, LLC, OASIS ENERGY, LLC)))	ORDER ACCEPTING OFFER OF SETTLEMENT
D/B/A OASIS ENERGY, HIKO ENERGY, LLC, MAJOR ENERGY SERVICES LLC AND RESPOND POWER, LLC TO COMPLY WITH CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF)))	
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 48:3-78 <u>ET SEQ.</u> , AND THE NEW JERSEY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 14:4-1.1 <u>ET SEQ.</u>)	DOCKET NO. ES19060756

Parties of Record:

Murray E. Bevan, Bevan, Mosca, & Giuditta, P.C., on behalf of the Spark Companies

BY THE BOARD:

By this Decision and Order the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") considers an Offer of Settlement of any and all potential violations under the Energy Discount and Energy Competition Act ("EDECA", or "Act"), N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 et seq. and more specifically, N.J.S.A. 48:3-78 and N.J.S.A. 48:3-79, and N.J.A.C. 14:4-1.1 et seq. (the "Regulations") by Censtar Energy Corp. ("Censtar"), Spark Energy Gas, LLC ("Spark Gas"), Spark Energy, LLC ("Spark Energy"), Oasis Power, LLC d/b/a Oasis Energy ("Oasis"), HIKO Energy, LLC ("HIKO"), Major Energy Services LLC ("Major") and Respond Power, LLC ("Respond") (collectively, the "Spark Companies"), who has been operating as third party suppliers to provide electric power and natural gas supply services to residential, commercial and industrial customers in New Jersey.

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to EDECA, the Board has authority and jurisdiction over all electric power suppliers and gas suppliers (collectively, "third party suppliers" or "TPS") in New Jersey. Among other things, the Board licenses third party suppliers. N.J.S.A. 48:3-78(a) and N.J.S.A. 48:3-79(a) require that a person obtain electric and gas supplier licenses before providing electric and gas supply services to retail customers in this State. <u>See also</u>, N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.1(d)(1). Moreover, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-78(b) and N.J.S.A. 48:3-79(b), electric and gas supplier licenses are

only valid for one year from the date of issuance unless timely renewals are filed. See also, N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.6 and N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.7.1

In addition, pursuant to EDECA, the Board requires that a TPS provide evidence of financial integrity, meet all reliability standards, and maintain a surety bond. <u>See</u> N.J.S.A. 48:3-78(c), N.J.S.A. 48:3-79(c), N.J.S.A. 48:3-79(f), N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.2, and N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.4. Pursuant to the Act, the Board, among other things, is vested with investigative power, N.J.S.A. 48:3-81, alternative disciplinary power, N.J.S.A. 48:3-82, and authority to assess civil penalties, N.J.S.A. 48:3-83.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.1(d), a person without an electric and/or gas supplier license cannot: (1) provide electric and/or gas supply service or offer to provide electric and/or gas supply service; (2) advertise or market electric and/or gas supply service; (3) enroll customers for electric and/or gas supply service; or (4) contract or otherwise assume legal responsibility for electric and/or gas supply service. Moreover, no TPS may submit a change order to a local distribution company ("LDC") unless the change order is transmitted through an EDI system. See N.J.A.C. 14:4-2.3(g) and N.J.A.C. 14:2-3(b).

N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.6(a) and N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.7(a) set forth the obligation of the TPS licensee to timely file a renewal application. Specifically, the licensee must file a complete renewal application at least thirty (30) days before the expiration date of the existing license. If a timely renewal application is not submitted, the initial license expires at the end of its term. N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.7(b). In the event a licensee does not submit a renewal application within thirty (30) days before the end of the license term, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.6(b)-(d), the licensee must submit a new license application within forty-five (45) days after the end of the licensee's initial term, or request an extension of the forty-five (45) day time period based on extraordinary hardship, during which time the licensee must continue servicing existing customers until directed otherwise by Board Staff of the Division of Audit ("Staff").

As TPSs, the Spark Companies are subject to the jurisdiction of the Board and must comply with EDECA and the Regulations.

BACKGROUND

In April 2018, Staff learned that the Spark Companies were providing gas and/or electric service as TPSs in New Jersey after their licenses had expired. Following a review of the records and other communication, Board Staff met with the principals of the Spark Companies on June 12, 2018 regarding their compliance with the Board's license renewal requirements.

Staff conducted an investigation regarding the Spark Companies' compliance with the Act and the Regulations. Staff has alleged that the Spark Companies failed to comply with the licensing and renewal requirements under the Act and the Regulations, including N.J.S.A. 48:3-78, N.J.S.A. 48:3-79, N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.1, N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.6, and N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.7 as detailed below:

¹ On May 10, 2019, <u>P.L.</u> 2019, <u>c.</u> 100-101 were signed into law providing that third party electric power and natural gas supplier licenses issued by the Board may be renewed without expiring if certain conditions are met. <u>P.L.</u> 2019, <u>c.</u> 100-101 became operative 60 days following the date of enactment. As such, any third party suppliers with a license expiring prior to July 9, 2019 were still required to submit the previous renewal application form. Here, the Spark Companies filed their applications prior to July 9, 2019.

• Censtar:

Censtar's TPS licenses, License Nos. ESL-0148 and GSL-0136 were effective for a renewal term of June 29, 2016 through June 28, 2017. Censtar did not renew these licenses with the Board prior to their expiration on June 28, 2017. However, Censtar continued to provide existing electric and gas service to residential, commercial, and industrial customers in New Jersey. Following a review of its records and other communication, Staff met with the principals of Censtar on June 12, 2018 regarding Censtar's compliance with the Board's license renewal requirements. Censtar submitted an initial license application on April 20, 2018, as directed by Staff.

Staff has determined that no complaints have been filed with the Board or the Division of Consumer Affairs against Censtar by any of its New Jersey customers since Censtar obtained its TPS licenses in 2013 and Staff has determined that Censtar has remained EDI compliant since its licensure. In addition, Censtar has at all times, since becoming licensed in New Jersey in 2013, maintained surety bonds as required by the BPU, through May 15, 2019 and subsequently extended through May 15, 2020 for gas supply service and electric generation service.

Spark Gas and Spark Energy:

Spark Gas' and Spark Energy's TPS licenses, License Nos. GSL-0079 and ESL-0096, were effective for a renewal term of July 29, 2016 through July 28, 2017. Spark Gas and Spark Energy did not renew these licenses with the Board prior to their expiration on July 28, 2017. Spark Gas and Spark Energy continued to provide gas and electric service respectively to existing residential, commercial and industrial customers in New Jersey. In April 2018, Staff learned that Spark Gas and Spark Energy was providing gas and electric service as a TPS in New Jersey and, following a review of its records and other communication, met with the principals of Spark Gas and Spark Energy on June 12, 2018 regarding their compliance with the Board's license renewal requirements. Spark Gas and Spark Energy submitted an initial license application on April 20, 2018, as directed by Staff.

Staff has determined that no complaints have been filed with the Board or the Division of Consumer Affairs against Spark Gas by any of its New Jersey customers since Spark Gas obtained its TPS licenses in 2013. Staff has determined however that 2 residential complaints were filed with the Board against Spark Energy. Staff has also determined that Spark Gas and Spark Energy have remained EDI compliant since its licensure. In addition, Spark Gas and Spark Energy have at all times, since becoming licensed in New Jersey in 2008, maintained surety bonds as required by the BPU, through January 1, 2020 for Spark Energy and through June 9, 2020 for Spark Gas for gas supply service and electric generation service.

Oasis:

Oasis' TPS licenses, License Nos. ESL-0147 and GSL-0135, were effective for a renewal term of October 15, 2015 through October 14, 2016. Staff determined that Oasis did not renew these licenses with the Board prior to their expiration on October 14, 2016 and that Oasis continued to provide electric and gas service to residential and commercial customers

in New Jersey. According to Public Service Electric and Gas Company, Oasis added 3,314 electric customers and 2,417 gas customers after their expiration. Upon notification by Staff on June 7, 2018 informing Oasis their renewal applications filed on October 5, 2017 and November 12, 2018 were late submissions, Oasis promptly ceased all marketing and advertising activity and stopped enrolling new customers. Staff directed Oasis to file a new initial license application, which was received by the Board on November 9, 2018.

Staff has determined that 2 residential complaints have been filed with the Board or the Division of Consumer Affairs against Oasis by its New Jersey customers since Oasis obtained its TPS licenses in 2013. Oasis has responded promptly and effectively to all Staff requests during the investigation.

Censtar, Spark Gas, Spark Energy and Oasis represent that they: (1) made all sales tax payments to the State of New Jersey; (2) has submitted its required Renewable Portfolio Standards Report; and (3) has an effective Certificate of Authority from the New Jersey State Treasurer to do business in the State for the applicable licenses since the licenses were obtained.

HIKO:

HIKO's TPS licenses, License nos. ESL-0107 and GSL-0107, were effective for a renewal term of August 19, 2015 through August 18, 2016. On July 19, 2016, HIKO submitted a renewal license application. HIKO represented that it is currently serving 2 commercial electric customers, 3,413 residential electric customers, 1 commercial gas customers, and 2,931 residential gas customers in New Jersey.

Staff noted various investigations conducted by several public utility commissions against HIKO. In particular, on May 23, 2014, the New Jersey Acting Attorney General, John Hoffman, the Board and the Division of Consumer Affairs (the "State"), filed a lawsuit in New Jersey Superior Court, Chancery Division, against HIKO for, among other things, alleged violations of EDECA and improper marketing practices. On January 5, 2015, a settlement was reached in which HIKO agreed to pay \$2.1 million (\$1.85 million for restitution, \$100,000 in civil penalties, and \$150,000 in attorney's fees). Earlier this year, following the distribution of restitution by the Settlement Administrator, Rust Consulting, Inc., the Board received its share of the penalty, which was \$50,000, and its share of the unpaid restitution, which was \$175,847.23. In addition, four billing complaints have been filed against HIKO with the Board by New Jersey customers since its licenses were last renewed in 2016.

Furthermore, Spark HoldCo, LLC, the parent company of Spark Energy and Spark Gas, acquired 100% of HIKO's membership interest on March 1, 2018. HIKO failed to notify Board Staff of its acquisition by Spark HoldCo, LLC until March 26, 2018. HIKO filed a renewal application with the Board on August 18, 2016.

Respond and Major:

Respond's TPS license, License No. ESL-0124, and Major's TPS license, License No. GSL-0117, were effective for the renewal terms of July 25, 2018 through July 24, 2019. Respond failed to notify Staff of its acquisition by Spark HoldCo, LLC until March 26, 2018. Respond and Major has at all times, since becoming licensed in New Jersey in 2012, maintained

surety bonds as required by the BPU, through May 22, 2019 and subsequently extended through January 1, 2020 and through May 24, 2019 and subsequently extended through August 1, 2019 respectively for gas supply service and electric generation service. Both Respond and Major have filed timely renewal applications on May 20, 2019 and May 21, 2019 respectively.

Staff directed the Spark Companies that failed to file timely renewals to file new initial applications. The Spark Companies continued to provide gas and electric power services to its existing customers at Staff's direction during the period the applications was under review. The Spark Companies continued to provide gas and electric power services to the existing customers, ceased all marketing to new customers and ceased all marketing practices in New Jersey.

The Spark Companies have responded promptly and effectively to all Staff requests during the investigation. As a result of correspondence, telephone conversations, and meetings with the Spark Companies, the Spark Companies submitted an Offer of Settlement ("Offer") (attached) regarding the alleged violations. In the Offer of Settlement, the Spark Companies did not admit to any violations and made a monetary offer in the amount of \$55,000.00 to resolve all issues concerning the violations alleged by Staff.

DISCUSSIONS AND FINDINGS

The Board has reviewed the matter and <u>HEREBY FINDS</u> that the Offer of Settlement represents a reasonable settlement of the alleged violations. Therefore, the Board <u>HEREBY ACCEPTS</u> the Offer of Settlement proffered by the Spark Companies. The Board will <u>CONSIDER</u> under separate docket numbers the initial applications filed by Censtar, Spark Gas, Spark Energy on April 20, 2018, and Oasis on November 9, 2018 and the timely renewal application filed by HIKO on July 19, 2016. The Offer of Settlement is accepted subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The Spark Companies will pay to the State of New Jersey the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000.00) in full and final settlement of any and all potential violations under the Act and/or the Regulations which have been or could have been alleged by the Board or the Staff against the Spark Companies, up to and including June 6, 2019.
- 2. This Offer of Settlement shall not relieve the Spark Companies or its parents, affiliates, subsidiaries or successors, from any liability for violations, if any, of the Act, the Regulations, or Board Orders that may occur after June 6, 2019.
- 3. Any future repeated violation(s) of the Act, the Regulations, or Board Orders by the Spark Companies or its parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, or successors that may now or in the future provide energy services that is the subject of this Offer of Settlement, shall be deemed to be a second, third, or subsequent violation, as appropriate, pursuant to provisions of N.J.S.A. 48:3-83.
- 4. The Spark Companies will comply with all provisions of the Act and Regulations regarding TPS licensing renewal requirements as set forth at N.J.S.A. 48:3-78, N.J.S.A. 48:3-79, and N.J.A.C. 14:4-5.6.

5. The execution of this Offer of Settlement shall not be relied upon by the Spark Companies or its affiliates, subsidiaries or successors in an attempt to mitigate any future claim that any such entity has violated the terms and conditions of the Act, the Regulations, or any Board Order.

The Board <u>FURTHER ORDERS</u> that no later than ten (10) days from the Effective Date of this Order, the Spark Companies shall pay the Settlement Payment of Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000.00). Payment must be made out to the **TREASURER**, **STATE OF NEW JERSEY** and

Sent to:

Mike Greco, Chief Fiscal Officer

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Attn: Audits

*You must include a copy of this order with your check.

The Board's acceptance of the Offer of Settlement is for purposes of this proceeding only, addresses any and all allegations or potential allegations in the Offer of Settlement, and shall not be construed as limiting the Board's authority in any other matter affecting the Spark Companies or a successor company.

This Order shall be effective on October 7, 2019.

DATED: 9/27/19

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

BY:

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PRESIDENT

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ATTEST:

AIDA CAMACHO-WELCH

SECRETARY

Re: Docket No. ES19060756 – IMO the Alleged Failure of Censtar Energy Corp., Spark Energy Gas LLC, Spark Energy LLC, Oasis Power LLC d/b/a Oasis Energy, HIKO Energy LLC, Major Energy Services LLC and Respond Power LLC to Comply with Certain Provisions of NJSA 48:3-78 et seq and the NJAC 14:4-1.1 et seq.

One of the goals of this Agency is to be consistent so that businesses and consumers can make decisions with some degree of predictability and certainty. Failing to act consistently when the Board is faced with a set of similar facts can result in an appellate court overruling determinations made by this Board on the basis that they are "arbitrary and capricious."

Last month, on August 7, this Board approved a settlement with Green Mountain Energy Company for an alleged failure to comply with the same license renewal application requirements at issue in this case, which are set forth in New Jersey Administrative Code Title 14 Chapter 4, Subchapter 5. In that case, Green Mountain filed its renewal registrations 24 days late for a single Third-Party Supplier (or "TPS") license and the Board agreed to a settlement of \$5,000 or roughly \$208 per day that the Company's license renewal was late.

However, in this case, Sparks and the companies it acquired, failed to timely renew a total of seven (7) TPS licenses for a total of 1,308 days beyond the due date. Applying the same daily penalty rate as the Green Mountain case of \$208 per day, this amount comes to \$272,064, far greater than the \$55,000 Staff proposes to settle for.

Additionally, in this case, Sparks also failed to comply with the Board's rules requiring companies to notify the Board when they acquire another company. Sparks acquired HIKO along with its two TPS licenses and also acquired Respond and Major, each with a single TPS license. These rules help ensure the Board stays current with changes in the industry and participating companies, which to me, is even more important than simply failing to timely renew a license registration, and therefore, should involve a higher penalty per day. This is especially true when one of the companies involved, HIKO, is facing major fines for improper business practices in several of our neighboring states.

Staff's recommendation to accept Sparks' offer of \$55,000 in settlement of all alleged violations gives Sparks a major discount relative to Green Mountain for the same violation of failure to timely renew its licenses and does not account for the more serious violation of failing to timely notify the Board of an acquisition. I found no facts in the record to justify this massive discount. An appropriate settlement that is consistent with and proportional to the settlement this Board just entered into with Green Mountain would be close to a million dollars.

Therefore, I respectfully dissent.

Mary-Anna Holden

Commissioner

IN THE MATTER OF THE ALLEGED FAILURE OF AGGRESSIVE ENERGY LLC TO COMPLY WITH CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 48:3-78 <u>ET SEQ.</u>, AND THE NEW JERSEY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 14:4-1.1 <u>ET SEQ</u>.

OFFER OF SETTLEMENT DOCKET NO. E017030187

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September 27, 2019

Muriel LeClerc Regulatory Specialist CenStar Energy Corp. 12140 Wickchester Ln., Suite 100 Houston, Texas 77079

Re: Electric Power and Natural Gas Supplier Initial Licenses

Dkt. No. EE18040434L & GE18040435L

Dear Ms. LeClerc:

In accordance with the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act of 1999, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 et seq., at its September 27, 2019 Agenda meeting, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (the "Board") voted to issue **LICENSES** as an Electric Power and Natural Gas Supplier to CenStar Energy Corp. The company's license numbers are ESL-0238 and GSL-0210. Pursuant to signed bills <u>S.604</u> and <u>S.605</u> (2018) [P.L. 2019, c. 100-101], your licenses may be renewed without expiring so long as a license renewal fee accompanied by an annual information update form is submitted to the Board within 30 days prior to your annual **anniversary date of September 27**.

The enclosed licenses are effective September 27, 2019. These licenses and the rights thereunder are **Non-Transferable.**

This letter is not an endorsement of, nor is it intended for use in, the marketing promotions of the licensee. Licensees shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, which prohibits the unauthorized change of a customer's energy provider and other fraudulent and illegal marketing activities.

If you have any questions, please contact Valencia Hunt at (609) 292-0637.

Sincerely,

Aida Camacho-Welch Secretary of the Board

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September 27, 2019

Muriel LeClerc Regulatory Specialist Spark Energy, LLC/Spark Energy Gas, LLC 12140 Wickchester Ln., Suite 100 Houston, Texas 77079

Re: Electric Power and Natural Gas Supplier Initial Licenses

Dkt. No. EE18040437L & GE18040436L

Dear Ms. LeClerc:

In accordance with the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act of 1999, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 et seq., at its September 27, 2019 Agenda meeting, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (the "Board") voted to issue **LICENSES** as an Electric Power and Natural Gas Supplier to Spark Energy, LLC and Spark Energy Gas, LLC. The Companies' license numbers are ESL-0239 and GSL-0211. Pursuant to signed bills <u>S.604</u> and <u>S.605</u> (2018) [P.L. 2019, c. 100-101], your licenses does not expire so long as a license renewal fee accompanied by an annual information update form is submitted to the Board within 30 days prior to your annual **anniversary date of September 27, 2019**.

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September 27, 2019

Martha Lopez Regulatory Specialist Oasis Power, LLC One Gateway Center, Suite 2600 Newark, NJ 07102

Electric Power and Natural Gas Supplier Initial Licenses

Dkt. Nos. EE18111233L & GE18111232L

Dear Ms. Martha Lopez:

Re:

In accordance with the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act of 1999, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 et seg., at its September 27, 2019 Agenda meeting, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (the "Board") voted to issue LICENSES as an Electric Power and Natural Gas Supplier to Oasis Power, LLC d/b/a Oasis Energy. The company's license numbers are ESL-0231 and GSL-0204. Pursuant to signed bills <u>S.604</u> and <u>S.605</u> (2018) [P.L. 2019, c. 100-101], your license may be renewed without expiring so long as a license renewal fee accompanied by an annual information update form is submitted to the Board within 30 days prior to your annual anniversary date of September 27.

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If you have any questions, please contact Darren Erbe at (609) 292-1406.

Sincerely.

Aida Camacho-Welch Secretary of the Board

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September 27, 2019

Muriel LeClerc Regulatory Specialist HIKO Energy, LLC 12140 Wickchester Ln., Suite 100 Houston, Texas 77079

Re: Electric Power and Natural Gas Supplier Renewal Licenses Dkt. No. EE18030277L and GE18030278L

Dear Ms. LeClerc:

In accordance with the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act of 1999, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 et seq., at its September 27, 2019 Agenda meeting, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (the "Board") voted to renew the Electric Power and Natural Gas Supplier Licenses, number ESL-0107 and GSL-0107, issued to HIKO Energy, LLC. Pursuant to signed bills S.604 and S.605 (2018) [P.L. 2019, c. 100-101], your licenses may be renewed without expiring so long as a license renewal fee accompanied by an annual information update form is submitted to the Board within 30 days prior to your annual anniversary date of September 27th.

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September 27, 2019

Muriel LeClerc Regulatory Specialist Respond Power, LLC 1001 E. Lawn Drive Teaneck, New Jersey 07666

Re:

Electric Power Supplier License Renewal

Dkt No. EE19050610L

Dear Ms. LeClerc:

In accordance with the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act of 1999, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 et seq., at its September 27, 2019 Agenda meeting, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (the "Board") voted to renew the Electric Power Supplier License, number ESL-0124, issued to Respond Power, LLC. Pursuant to signed bills S.604 and S.605 (2018) [P.L. 2019, c. 100-101], your license may be renewed without expiring so long as a license renewal fee accompanied by an annual information update form is submitted to the Board within 30 days prior to your annual anniversary date of September 27.

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Sincerely,

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