

# **Exhibit 1-CV**

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## **Exhibit 1 - Statement of Qualifications for Curt Volkmann**

### **Professional Experience**

I am currently President and founder of New Energy Advisors, LLC, an independent consulting firm. I work with environmental and consumer advocates in a variety of regulatory proceedings related to distribution system planning, distributed energy resources, and grid modernization.

I have 35 years of experience in the utilities industry. Prior to founding New Energy Advisors, I worked for the Environmental Law & Policy Center (ELPC) in Chicago as a Senior Clean Energy Specialist. My work at ELPC focused on providing technical advice and expert witness testimony in several renewable energy and energy efficiency regulatory proceedings.

Prior to ELPC, I was employed for eighteen years by Accenture, a global management consulting and technology firm. I held several positions at Accenture, including Executive Director in Accenture's North America Utilities practice, with client leadership responsibilities for several gas, electric, and water utilities. In this role, I oversaw utility cost reduction and operational improvement programs.

Prior to Accenture, I worked for the consulting firm UMS Group, where I led multi-utility benchmarking studies examining global best practices in electric transmission and distribution. Participating utilities in the studies were from the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Europe, and Africa.

I began my professional career working for nine years at Pacific Gas and Electric in various transmission and distribution roles. This included a role as a Distribution Planning Engineer, where I evaluated the impacts of cogeneration on distribution system protection and the impacts of demand-side management programs on the deferral of distribution substation upgrades.

### **Education**

I have a BS in Electrical Engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign with a concentration in Electrical Power Systems. I also received an MBA from the University of California at Berkeley with a concentration in Finance.

I held a license as a Registered Professional Electrical Engineer in California from 1987 to 1995.