

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY RESOURCES**

ALTERNATIVE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD

**Cap on the Available Number of Attributes for Generation Units
Using Eligible Liquid Biofuel for 2019**

April 15, 2020

Pursuant to the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standard Regulations at 225 CMR 16.00

Per 225 CMR 16.05(4)(j) The Department of Energy Resources (DOER) shall annually establish a cap on the available number of Attributes for Generation Units using Eligible Liquid Biofuel participating in the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standard (APS). The cap shall be equal to 20% of the 2017 retail electric load multiplied by the 2019 Minimum Standard. No more than 10% of the Attributes can be generated prior to July 1st.

2017 Retail Electric Load	45,715,742
2019 Minimum Standard	4.75%
Total Attributes available for biofuel Generation Units in 2019	434,300
Total Attributes available for biofuel Generation Units in Q1 and Q2	217,150
Attributes minted for biofuel Generation Units in Q1 and Q2	217,152*
Total Attributes available for biofuel Generation Units Q3 and Q4	217,148
Attributes minted for biofuel Generation Units in Q3 and Q4	217,147

*The Total Attributes reported by Eligible Liquid Biofuel Distributors in Q1 and Q2 2019 exceeded the total Attributes available for this period, which resulted in DOER imposing a prorating factor of roughly 75% on all reported Attributes. The process used to prorate the reported Attributes included a step that involved rounding, which resulted in the total Attributes minted to be exceeded two. These two Attributes have been subtracted from the total available Attributes in Q3 and Q4 2019.