

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. SP-7922, SUB 0

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Armada Solar, LLC, for a)	ORDER ISSUING CERTIFICATE
Certificate of Public Convenience and)	AND ACCEPTING REGISTRATION
Necessity to Construct a 5-MW Solar)	OF NEW RENEWABLE ENERGY
Facility in Columbus County, North Carolina)	FACILITY

BY THE COMMISSION: On June 27, 2016, Armada Solar, LLC (Applicant), filed an application seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to G.S. 62-110.1(a) for construction of a 5-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located at 472 Prison Camp Road, east of the intersection of Prison Camp Road and Airport Road, and approximately 0.2 miles west of the intersection of Poplar Street and Vinson Boulevard, Whiteville, Columbus County, North Carolina. The Applicant plans to sell the electricity generated by this facility to Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP).

Contemporaneously with the application, the Applicant filed a registration statement for a new renewable energy facility. The registration statement included certified attestations that: (1) the facility is in substantial compliance with all federal and state laws, regulations, and rules for the protection of the environment and conservation of natural resources; (2) the facility will be operated as a new renewable energy facility; (3) the Applicant will not remarket or otherwise resell any renewable energy certificates sold to an electric power supplier to comply with G.S. 62-133.8; and (4) the Applicant will consent to the auditing of its books and records by the Public Staff insofar as those records relate to transactions with North Carolina electric power suppliers.

On June 30, 2016, the Commission issued an Order Requiring Publication of Notice.

On July 26, 2016, the Applicant filed a verified certificate of service stating that the application and the related public notice were provided to DEP on July 26, 2016.

On August 9, 2016, the State Clearinghouse filed comments. Because of the nature of the comments, the cover letter indicated that no further State Clearinghouse review action by the Commission was required for compliance with the North Carolina Environmental Policy Act.

On August 30, 2016, the Applicant filed an affidavit of publication from The News Reporter (Whiteville, North Carolina) stating that the publication of notice was completed on August 18, 2016. No complaints have been received.

The Public Staff presented this matter to the Commission at its Regular Staff Conference on October 10, 2016. The Public Staff stated that it had reviewed the application and determined it to be in compliance with the requirements of G.S. 62-110.1(a) and Commission Rule R8-64. The Public Staff further stated that the registration statement contains the certified attestations required by Commission Rule R8-66(b). Therefore, the Public Staff recommended approval of the certificate and registration for the facility.

After careful consideration, the Commission finds good cause to approve the application and issue the attached certificate for the proposed solar photovoltaic electric generating facility. The Commission further finds good cause, based upon the foregoing and the entire record in this proceeding, to accept registration of the facility as a new renewable energy facility. The Applicant shall annually file the information required by Commission Rule R8-66 on or before April 1 of each year and will be required to participate in the NC-RETS REC tracking system (<http://www.ncrets.org>) in order to facilitate the issuance of RECs.

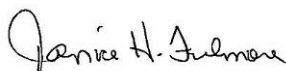
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That the application of Armada Solar, LLC, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity shall be, and is hereby, approved.
2. That Appendix A shall constitute the certificate of public convenience and necessity issued to Armada Solar, LLC, for the 5-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 472 Prison Camp Road, east of the intersection of Prison Camp Road and Airport Road, and approximately 0.2 miles west of the intersection of Poplar Street and Vinson Boulevard, Whiteville, Columbus County, North Carolina.
3. That the registration statement filed by Armada Solar, LLC, for its solar photovoltaic facility located in Columbus County, North Carolina, as a new renewable energy facility, shall be, and is hereby, accepted.
4. That Armada Solar, LLC, shall annually file the information required by Commission Rule R8-66 on or before April 1 of each year.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 11th day of October, 2016.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk

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Armada Solar, LLC
1597 The Greens Way, Suite 101
Jacksonville, Florida 32250

is hereby issued this

**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
PURSUANT TO G.S. 62-110.1**

for a 5-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic electric generating facility

located

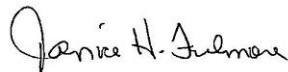
at 472 Prison Camp Road, east of the intersection of Prison Camp Road and Airport Road, and approximately 0.2 miles west of the intersection of Poplar Street and Vinson Boulevard, Whiteville, Columbus County, North Carolina,

subject to all orders, rules, regulations and conditions
as are now or may hereafter be lawfully made
by the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 11th day of October, 2016.

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