STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1220

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Williams Solar, LLC, V. Duke Energy Progress, LLC, Respondent

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On January 24, 2020, the Commission entered its Order Scheduling Hearing for this matter and established dates for the parties to pre-file testimony. In that order, the Commission scheduled this matter for hearing on Wednesday, May 27, 2020.

On March 10, 2020, Governor Roy Cooper issued Executive Order No. 116 declaring a State of Emergency in North Carolina to coordinate response and protective actions to prevent the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19). In so doing, the Governor ordered all state and local governmental entities and agencies to cooperate in the implementation of the provisions of the executive order. Through a succession of further executive orders, the Governor closed public schools, limited mass gatherings, and closed bars and restaurants to dine-in service. On March 27, 2020, Governor Cooper issued Executive Order No. 121 taking the further step of imposing a statewide "stay at home" order restricting non-essential movement of the State's residents until April 29, 2020, to further limit unnecessary person-to-person contact in workplaces and communities. And on May 5, 2020, Governor Cooper issued Executive Order. No. 138 easing some restrictions on business operations and mass gatherings, but still limiting face-to-face meetings to no more than ten people and requiring social distancing between individuals of at least six feet.

In response to the declared State of Emergency and consistent with the Governor's executive orders, the Commission previously suspended scheduled hearings until May 8, 2020, to assist in preventing the spread of COVID-19.

Based on the record and the current state of uncertainty regarding future requirements to assist in preventing the spread of COVID-19, the Presiding

Commissioner finds good cause to continue the hearing currently scheduled in this docket until further order by the Commission

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 20th day of May, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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