## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. EMP-107, SUB 0

## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Application of Halifax County Solar LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct a 80-MW Solar Facility in Halifax County, North Carolina

ORDER REQUIRING RESPONSE

BY THE COMMISSION: On June 11, 2020, the Commission issued an order in this docket granting Halifax County Solar LLC (Applicant) a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-110.1 and Commission Rule R8-63 to construct an 80-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic (PV) electric generating facility to be located in Halifax County, North Carolina, and to be operated as a merchant generating facility.

On July 13, 2020, the Public Staff filed a Motion for Reconsideration noting that an affected system interconnection study, which had not been conducted at the time the Public Staff filed its testimony and letter of recommendation in this docket, has now been completed by Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP). As stated by the Public Staff, DEP determined that transmission system improvements of approximately \$23 million will be required to accommodate the cluster of facilities studied, including the Applicant's facility. The Public Staff requests that the Commission reopen the record, order the Applicant to file supplemental testimony, and allow other parties the opportunity to respond.

The Commission finds good cause to issue this Order establishing a deadline for the Applicant to file a response to the Public Staff's Motion.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Halifax County Solar LLC shall file with the Commission its response to the Public Staff's Motion on or before Monday, August 3, 2020.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 29th day of July, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk