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October 31, 2019

Ms. Kimberley A. Campbell Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 430 N. Salisbury Street Raleigh, NC 27603

RE: AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION OF PUBLIC NOTICE In the matter of the Application of Apex Solar, LLC to amend the CPCN to Construct a 30-MW Solar Facility in Cleveland County, NC Docket No. SP 11723, Sub 0

Dear Ms. Campbell:

On behalf of Apex Solar, LLC, in the above referenced matter and docket, and in compliance with ordering paragraph number 1 of the September 18, 2019 Amended Order Requiring Publication of Notice and Further Clearinghouse Review, I herewith provide the Affidavit of Publication from The Star evidencing publication of the Public Notice therein.

Should you have any questions concerning this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

/s/ Karen M. Kemerait

Karen M. Kemerait

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A Pennsylvania Limited Liability Partnership

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Nevada	New Jersey	New York	North Carolina	Pennsylvan	nia	South Carolina	Texas	Washington

AFFIDAVIT OF INSERTION OF ADVERTISEMENT The Star

Shelby, N.C. Cleveland County

The Star does certify that the advertisement for:

DOCKET NO. SP-11723, SUB 0

Measuring <u>11.80 inches</u> appeared in The Star, a newspaper published in Cleveland County, Shelby, N.C., in issue(s):

09/21/2019 09/28/2019 10/05/2019 10/12/2019

Name of Account: Fox Rothschild LLP Order Number: 54602125 Ad Number: 54741120

Sworn to, and subscribed before me this 14 th day of October, 2019.

Print Name (Classified Representative)

Signature (Classified Representative)

Stephanie B. Sisk, Notary Public My Commission Expires March 23, 2020

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PUBLIC NOTICE

DOCKET NO. SP-11723, SUB 0

APPLICATION OF APEX SOLAR, LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 7, 2018, Apex Solar, LLC (Applicant), filed an application, as amended on September 13, 2019, seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-110.1(a) for construc-tion of a 30-MW solar generating facility to be located on the west side of Plains view Church Road, approxmately 0.5 miles west of the intersection with East Stage Coach Trail, and including a section bordering on the west side of Fallston Waco Road, Lawndale, Cleveland County, North Carolina. Applicant's site layout illustrating the foot-print of the facility may change to some degree based on government land use requirements, interconnection requirements, or similiar factors. The Applicant stated that it plans to sell the electricity to Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC.

Details of the application may be obtained from the Office of the Chief Clerk of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, 430 N. Sallsbury Street, 5th Floor, Dobbs Building, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27603 or 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300 or on the Commission's website at www.ncuc.net.

If a complaint is received within ten days after the last date of the publication of this notice, the Commisston will schedule a public hearing to determine whether a certificate should be awarded, will give reasonable notice of the time and place of the hearing to the Applicant and to each complaining party, and will require the Applicant to publish notice of the hearing in this news-paper. If no complaint is received within the time specified above and if the Commission does not order a hearing upon its own initiative, the Commission will enter an order awarding the certificate sought by the Applicant.

Persons desiring to lodge complaints may file statements to that effect with the Commission. Such statements should reference Docket No. SP-11723, Sub 0 and be addressed as follows: Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300.

Statements may also be directed to Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff - North Carolina 27699-4300 or to The Honorable Josh Stein, Attomey General of North Carolina, c/o Consumer Protection - Utilities, 9001

Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-9001.

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