STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. SP-6476, SUB 0

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Application of Albemarle Beach Solar, LLC,)
for a Certificate of Public Convenience	ORDER SCHEDULING HEARING
and Necessity to Construct an 80-MW) AND REQUIRING PUBLIC NOTICE
Solar Facility in Washington County,	
North Carolina	

BY THE HEARING EXAMINER: On September 21, 2015, Albemarle Beach Solar, LLC (Applicant), filed an application seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) pursuant to G.S. 62-110.1(a) for construction of an 80-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic (PV) generating facility to be located on both sides of Mackeys Road and Albemarle Beach Road in Roper, Washington County, North Carolina. The Applicant states that it is in discussions to sell the electricity generated at its facility to Dominion North Carolina Power, to one or more retail customers in deregulated states that allow for such sales, or to the PJM Market.

On September 23, 2015, the Commission issued an Order Requiring Publication of Notice requiring the Applicant (1) to publish notice of the application in the manner required by G.S. 62-82(a) and file an affidavit of publication with the Commission, and (2) to mail a copy of the application and notice to the electric utility to which the Applicant plans to sell and distribute the electricity, and file a signed and verified certificate of service that the application and notice have been provided to the utility. In addition, the Order directed the Chief Clerk of the Commission to deliver copies of the notice to the Clearinghouse Coordinator of the Office of Policy and Planning of the Department of Administration for distribution by the Coordinator to State agencies having an interest in the application.

Complaints were filed in this docket on or after November 5, 2015 by John B. Dunn, Ed.D.; Norma Brown; Al and Brenda Hartkopf; and by Timothy J. Pharr.

Based upon the complaints and the record herein, the Hearing Examiner finds good cause to schedule a public hearing in this docket on Thursday, November 3, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., at the Washington County Courthouse, 120 Adams Street, Plymouth, North Carolina to receive evidence as to whether a CPCN should be issued to the Applicant. Further, the Hearing Examiner finds good cause to require the Applicant to publish notice of the public hearing and to pre-file testimony in this docket.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That a public hearing for the purpose of receiving public witness testimony and expert witness testimony from the parties shall be, and is hereby, scheduled for Thursday, November 3, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., at the Washington County Courthouse, 120 Adams Street, Plymouth, North Carolina;
- 2. That the Applicant shall publish the Public Notice attached as Attachment A hereto one time at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the hearing in the newspaper in which the Applicant previously published notice of the application, and the Applicant shall file an affidavit of publication with the Commission on or before the date of the hearing;
- 3. That the Applicant shall mail a copy of the attached Public Notice, no later than the date that such notice is published, to the electric utility to which the Applicant plans to sell and distribute the electricity and file a signed and verified certificate of service that the Public Notice has been provided to the utility on or before the date of the hearing;
- 4. That the Applicant shall prefile its direct expert witness testimony and exhibits in support of its application on or before Thursday, October 20, 2016;
- 5. That other persons desiring to become formal participants and parties of record in this proceeding shall file verified petitions to intervene in accordance with the applicable Commission rules on or before Thursday, October 27, 2016;
- 6. That the Public Staff and other intervenors shall prefile their direct expert witness testimony and exhibits on or before Thursday, October 27, 2016;
- 7. That the Applicant shall prefile its rebuttal testimony and exhibits, if any, on or before Monday, October 31, 2016; and
- 8. That the Chief Clerk of the Utilities Commission shall mail a copy of this Order to each of the complainants.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the ____gth____ day of September, 2016.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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PUBLIC NOTICE

DOCKET NO. SP-6476, SUB 0 APPLICATION OF ALBEMARLE BEACH SOLAR, LLC, FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on September 21, 2015, Albemarle Beach Solar, LLC (Applicant), filed an application seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) pursuant to G.S. 62-110.1(a) for construction of an 80-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic generating facility to be located on both sides of Mackeys Road and Albemarle Beach Road in Roper in Washington County, North Carolina.

On or after November 5, 2015, complaints were filed with the Commission in this docket. Based upon the complaints and the record herein, the Commission has scheduled a public hearing to receive evidence as to whether a CPCN should be awarded to the Applicant. The public hearing will be held on Thursday, November 3, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., at the Washington County Courthouse, 120 Adams Street, Plymouth, North Carolina.

Details of the application may be obtained from the Office of the Chief Clerk of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, 430 N. Salisbury 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.

NOTE TO PRINTER: Advertising cost shall be paid by the Applicant. It is required that the Affidavit of Publication be filed with the Commission by the Applicant.