



**NORTH CAROLINA
PUBLIC STAFF
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

May 8, 2015

Ms. Gail L. Mount, Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
4325 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4325

Re: Docket No. SP-5154, Sub 0 – Rowan Solar NC LLC
Docket No. SP-5155, Sub 0 – Catawba Solar LLC
Reports of Proposed Construction
Applications to Register New Renewable Energy Facilities

Dear Ms. Mount:

On February 18, 2015, Rowan Solar NC LLC filed a report of proposed construction and an application to register a renewable energy facility (registration statement) for a proposed 1.99-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic facility in Rowan County. Also on February 18, 2015, Catawba Solar LLC filed a report of proposed construction and an application to register a renewable energy facility (registration statement) for a proposed 1.99-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic facility in Rowan County.

The Public Staff - Electric Division has completed its review of the ROPCs and registration statements filed by the applicant pursuant to Commission Rules R8-65 and R8-66. As a result of our review, we request that the Applicant provide the following information:

- (1) These two reports are for small power production facilities that use the same energy resource, are proposed to be located contiguous to each other on the same parcel (Rowan County Parcel ID No. 408019) owned by the same entity (Fitzmark LLC), appear to be part of a common development plan, and the applicant LLCs appear to be affiliated. Please provide a basis for why the facilities should be treated as two separate facilities, rather than one larger 3.98 MW_{AC} facility, and therefore subject to the requirement in G.S. 62-110.1(a) that the facility obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Commission prior to commencing construction.
- (2) If the current owners of the facilities have filed for Certification of Qualifying Facility (QF) Status for a Small Power Production or Cogeneration Facility, please provide copies of the FERC Form 556 for each facility.

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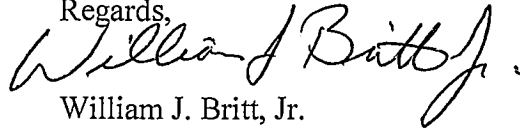
(3) If a Form 556 has not yet been filed, please provide the following information for each facility:

- a. The identity and percentage of equity interest for each current direct owner holding at least 10 percent equity interest.
- b. The identity and percentage of equity interest for each current upstream (i.e., indirect) owner holding at least 10 percent equity interest.

The Public Staff recommends that the Commission hold the above filings in abeyance until the Applicants provide a sufficient basis for treating the facilities as separate, amend their applications to seek a certificate for the facility, or the applications are withdrawn.

I certify that a copy of this letter has been served on the businesses shown below by e-mail. If necessary, please contact me at William.Britt@psncuc.nc.gov or at (919) 733-0884.

Regards,



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Utilities Engineer

cc: Rowan Solar NC LLC
Catawba Solar LLC

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