

**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,		)	
	Complainant	)	ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO
		)	EXCUSE WITNESS AND
v.		)	REQUIRING WITNESS TO
		)	APPEAR AT HEARING TO
Duke Energy Progress, LLC,		)	ADDRESS CERTAIN ISSUES
	Respondent	)	

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: The expert witness hearing in the above-captioned docket is scheduled to begin on Wednesday, June 17, 2020. On June 9, 2020, Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP) filed a motion requesting that the witness, Jack McNeill, be excused from attending the hearing, and that Mr. McNeill's pre-filed testimony be accepted into the record. In support of its motion, DEP states that Complainant does not object to the excusal of the witness provided that DEP agrees not to oppose a request by the Commission or Complainant to hold open the hearing if the evidence presented makes it necessary to hear from witness McNeill.

Based upon the foregoing and the record, the Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to excuse witness McNeill from attending the expert witness hearing on June 9, 2020, and to receive his testimony into evidence at the hearing. If the Commission subsequently determines during the proceeding that it is necessary to question Mr. McNeil, it may hold the record open, continue the hearing and schedule his testimony or request the witness to provide written responses.

The Presiding Commissioner also finds good cause to direct DEP to ensure that it produces a witness at the hearing that can address general questions about DEP's customs, practices, general outcomes and results, as well as comparability of projects in the queue; and specifically be able to provide a comparison of how the increase in the System Impact Study and Facilities Study estimates for the interconnection and System Upgrade costs provided to Complainant compare to any increases in these estimates provided to other interconnection customers in DEP's interconnection queue during the same time period, and provide an explanation for the reasons for any disparities between the Complainant and other interconnection customers similarly situated.

If DEP identifies a new witness is needed to address this issue, DEP shall send directly to the Chief Clerk (kcampbell@ncuc.net) the email addresses of the new witness on or before Tuesday, June 15, 2020.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 11th day of June, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Janice H. Fulmore". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "F".

Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk