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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
4325 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-4300

**RE: Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Proof of Publication
Docket No. E-2, Sub 1257**

Dear Ms. Campbell:

Attached for filing in the above-referenced docket, please find the Affidavit of Publication for the Public Notice related to the Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP") for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing the construction and completion of the Woodfin Solar Generating Facility ("Woodfin Solar Facility") in Buncombe County, North Carolina. DEP published the notice in the Asheville Citizen-Times, a newspaper having general coverage in Buncombe County.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jack E. Jirak

Enclosures

cc: Parties of Record

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BUNCOMBE COUNTY

NORTH CAROLINA

Before the undersigned, a Notary Public, duly commissioned, qualified and authorized by law to administer oaths, personally appeared said legal clerk, who, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: that he/she is the **Legal Clerk of The Asheville Citizen-Times**, engaged in publication of a newspaper known as **The Asheville Citizen-Times**, published, issued, and entered as first class mail in the City of Asheville, in Buncombe County and State of North Carolina; that he/she is authorized to make this affidavit and sworn statement; that the notice or other legal advertisement, a true copy of which is attached here to, was published in **The Asheville Citizen-Times** on the following date(s) 09/04/2020, 09/11/2020, 09/18/2020, 09/25/2020. And that the said newspaper in which said notice, paper, document or legal advertisement was published was, at the time of each and every publication, a newspaper meeting all of the requirements and qualifications of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and was a qualified newspaper within the meaning of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

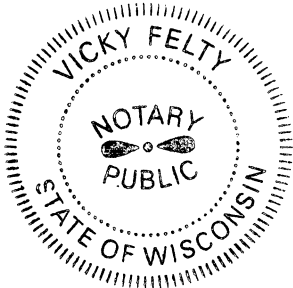
Signed this 25th of September, 2020


Legal Clerk

Sworn to and subscribed before the 25th of September, 2020


Notary Public of State of Wisconsin, County of Brown

9-19-21
My Commission expires.



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1257

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of

Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC for a)
Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to)
Construct a 5-MW Solar Photovoltaic Generating) PUBLIC NOTICE
Facility in Buncombe County, North Carolina)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled a public hearing on Thursday, October 8, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., to be held remotely via WebEx. The purpose of the hearing is to receive public witness testimony regarding the application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP), filed on July 27, 2020, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) to construct a 5-MW solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located at 2720 Riverside Drive, Woodfin, Buncombe County, North Carolina. Public witness testimony will be received in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g).

A link to view the public witness hearing will be available at www.ncuc.net. Members of the public that would like to testify must register in advance of the hearing, no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 5, 2020, by contacting the Public Staff via email at WoodfinSolarPublicHearing@psncuc.nc.gov or by calling 866-380-9816. When registering, provide your name, docket number (E-2, Sub 1257), telephone number, and the topic of your testimony. **Only individuals registered with the Public Staff by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 5, 2020, will be allowed to testify at the public witness hearing.**

The hearing will resume in Raleigh on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. solely for the purpose of receiving expert testimony from the parties. The expert witness hearing will either be held remotely via WebEx, or in the Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. The Commission will issue a subsequent order setting forth the procedure for a remote hearing or confirming that the hearing will be held in the Commission Hearing Room.

In summary, DEP stated in the application that the facility, known as the Woodfin Solar Generating Facility (Woodfin Solar Facility), will be built at a closed landfill owned by Buncombe County. DEP stated that the Woodfin Solar Facility is consistent with the Commission's March 28, 2016 Order Granting Application, in Part, with Conditions, and Denying Application in Part in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1089, and DEP's efforts working with government and other organizations in the Western Carolinas Modernization Project. In addition, DEP's application sets forth in detail DEP's position regarding the need for the facility and the cost justification for the facility.

Specific information about DEP's application for a CPCN may be obtained from the Office of the Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, Raleigh, North Carolina, where a copy of DEP's application and supporting documents are available for review by the public, and on the Commission's website at www.ncuc.net.

The Public Staff is authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Written statements to the Public Staff should include any information that the writers wish to be considered by the Public Staff in its investigation of the matter. Such statements should be addressed to Mr. Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff, 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4326.

The Attorney General is also authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Statements to the Attorney General should be addressed to The Honorable Josh Stein, Attorney General, c/o Consumer Protection – Utilities, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-9001. Written statements may be emailed to utilityAG0@ncdoj.gov.

Written statements will be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision but do not receive the same consideration as testimony provided by public witnesses at a hearing.

Any person desiring to intervene in the proceeding as a formal party of record should file a petition under North Carolina Utilities Commission Rules R1-5 and R1-19 on or before Tuesday, October 20, 2020. Such petitions should be filed with the Chief Clerk of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4325. The direct testimony and exhibits of expert witnesses to be presented by intervenors should also be filed with the Commission on or before Tuesday, October 20, 2020.

The Commission may cancel the public witness and expert witness hearings if no substantial written complaints regarding the proposed Woodfin Solar Facility are received by the Commission's Chief Clerk on or before Monday, October 5, 2020.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

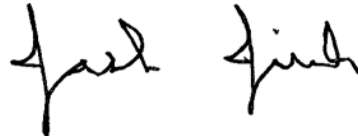
This the 14th day of August, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION
Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Proof of Publication, in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1257, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery, or by depositing a copy in the United States Mail, 1st Class Postage Prepaid, properly addressed to parties of record.

This the 7th day of October, 2020.



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