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November 18, 2015

Ms. Gail Mount  
North Carolina Department of Commerce  
Utilities Commission  
4325 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4325

**Re: SCH File # 16-E-4600-0107; Application of Albemarle Beach Solar LLC for a Certificate to construct a 80-MW Solar Facility in Washington Co. Docket #SP-6476 Sub 0.**

Dear Ms. Mount:

The above referenced environmental impact information has been reviewed through the State Clearinghouse under the provisions of the North Carolina Environmental Policy Act.

Attached to this letter are additional comments made in the review of this document. The Department of Cultural Resources has requested additional information prior to their concurrence with the above referenced document.

Therefore, pursuant to 1 NCAC 25 .0506(c), this office requests that a supplemental document providing the additional information requested by the Department of Cultural Resources be submitted to the Clearinghouse for further review and comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Crystal Best".

Crystal Best

State Environmental Review Clearinghouse

Attachments

cc: Region R

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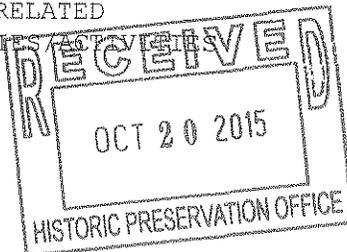
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NORTH CAROLINA STATE CLEARINGHOUSE  
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVIEW

COUNTY: WASHINGTON

H11: ENERGY RELATED  
FACILITIES/ACTIVITIES

STATE NUMBER: 16-E-4600-010  
DATE RECEIVED: 10/12/2015  
AGENCY RESPONSE: 11/09/2015  
REVIEW CLOSED: 11/12/2015



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PROJECT INFORMATION

APPLICANT: N.C. Department of Commerce  
TYPE: State Environmental Policy Act  
Environmental Review

DESC: Application of Albemarle Beach Solar LLC for a Certificate to construct a 80-MW Solar Facility in Washington Co. Docket #SP-6476 Sub 0. - View document at <http://starwl.ncuc.net/NCUC/portal/ncuc/page/Dockets/portal.aspx>, Type SP-6476 Sub 0 in the Docket Number search line.

Located on both sides of Mackeys Road and Albemarle Beach Road, Roper, NC

The attached project has been submitted to the N. C. State Clearinghouse for intergovernmental review. Please review and submit your response by the above indicated date to 1301 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699-1301.

If additional review time is needed, please contact this office at (919)807-2425.

AS A RESULT OF THIS REVIEW THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:  NO COMMENT  COMMENTS ATTACHED

SIGNED BY:

Renee Gledhill-Earley

DATE:

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**North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources  
State Historic Preservation Office**

Ramona M. Bartos, Administrator

Governor Pat McCrory  
Secretary Susan Kluttz

Office of Archives and History  
Deputy Secretary Kevin Cherry

November 9, 2015

MEMORANDUM

TO: Crystal Best  
North Carolina State Clearinghouse  
Department of Administration

FROM: Ramona M. Bartos *RMB for Ramona M. Bartos*

SUBJECT: Construct 80 MW Albemarle Beach Solar Farm, Mackeys Road & Albemarle Beach Road,  
Roper, Washington County, CH 15-2391

Thank you for your request for intergovernmental review dated October 12, 2015. We have reviewed the information for the above project and offer the following comments.

The project consists of several tracts located on both sides of Mackeys Road at the intersections with Albemarle Beach Road and Cross Road in Washington County, North Carolina. Geographically, the project area is located just to the south of the Albemarle Sound. The geographical setting of the project is considered a high probability area for archaeological remains. In addition, two previously recorded sites, 31WA15 and 31WA18, are located just outside of and to the east of the project tract. Given the nature of this landscape, the presence of previously recorded sites in the general area, and the high probability of archaeological remains, we recommend a Phase I/II archaeological survey of the tracts considered as part of this application. As a result, we recommend the following conditions for this application:

Prior to initiation of any ground disturbing activities within the project area, the applicant shall arrange for an archaeological survey of the tracts comprising the project area. The purpose of this survey will be to locate archaeological sites and make recommendations regarding the eligibility status of each site in terms of the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). If a site is determined to be eligible for the NRHP the applicant shall determine whether the site will be adversely affected by the project activities; and, if so, develop and implement an appropriate mitigation plan. Two copies of all resulting archaeological reports, as well as one copy of the North Carolina site forms, should be forwarded to the Office of State Archaeology through this office for review and comment as soon as they are available and in advance of any construction or ground disturbance activities.

A list of archaeological consultants who have conducted or expressed an interest in contract work in North Carolina is available at [www.archaeology.ncdcr.gov/ncarch/resource/consultants.htm](http://www.archaeology.ncdcr.gov/ncarch/resource/consultants.htm). The archaeologists listed, or any other experienced archaeologist, may be contacted to conduct the recommended survey. The selected archaeologist will consult with the Office of State Archaeology directly regarding the project methods prior to the commencement of any field work activities. All activities associated with the archaeological investigations shall also be coordinated with the Office of State Archaeology prior to implementation in the field.

We have determined that the project as proposed will not have an effect on any historic structures.

The above comments are made pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Regulations for Compliance with Section 106 codified at 36 CFR Part 800.

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration. If you have questions concerning the above comment, contact Renee Gledhill-Earley, environmental review coordinator, at 919-807-6579 or [environmental.review@ncdcr.gov](mailto:environmental.review@ncdcr.gov). In all future communication concerning this project, please cite the above referenced tracking number.