STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

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BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Requests for Waivers by WBJE Solar LLC, Pridgen Solar Group LLC, Double R Solar LLC, Southside Solar LLC, Son Power LLC, Merritt Energy Partners LLC, 6 Acre Field LLC, 4-Lane Solar LLC, and GTOP Merritt Solar

ORDER SERVING REQUESTS FOR WAIVERS AND REQUIRING RESPONSE

BY THE CHAIRMAN: On February 27, 2015, WBJE Solar LLC, Pridgen Solar Group LLC, Double R Solar LLC, Southside Solar LLC, Son Power LLC, Merritt Energy Partners LLC, 6 Acre Field LLC, 4-Lane Solar LLC, and GTOP Merritt Solar (collectively, Applicants) filed verified requests for waivers from the requirement to obtain a legally enforceable obligation (LEO) in the above-captioned dockets. In summary, the Applicants have pending applications for certificates of public convenience and necessity to construct solar energy facilities in Columbus County, North Carolina. Each application states that the Applicant intends to sell the electricity generated by its facility to Duke Energy Progress, Inc. (DEP). In their requests for waivers of the LEO requirement, the Applicants explain that they seek to become eligible for the avoided cost rates established in Docket No. E-100, Sub 130. The Applicants further submit that the Commission should exempt them from the LEO requirement because their facilities support the North Carolina General Assembly's objectives for growth in renewable energy facilities.

Based on the allegations in the Applicants' requests, the Chairman finds good cause to serve the requests, attached hereto as Attachment A, and this Order on DEP. Further, the Chairman finds good cause to direct that DEP file a response to the Applicants' requests on or before April 17, 2015.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That the Chief Clerk shall serve a copy of the Applicants' requests, attached hereto as Attachment A, and this Order on Duke Energy Progress, Inc.

2. That on or before April 17, 2015, Duke Energy Progress, Inc., shall file a response to the Applicants' requests.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the <u>25th</u> day of March, 2015.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Attachment A

WBJE Solar LLC 402 North Franklin Street Whiteville North Carolina 28472 (714) 478-1053 glen2ns@gmail.com February 27, 2015

Gail Mount, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 430 N. Salisbury Raleigh, NC 27603

Re: Request for Waiver from LEO: E-IOO-Sub 130 (CSP-29) Rate Change: Docket SP- 4158 sub 0.

Dear Ms. Mount,

Merritt Energy Park, Inc is the development agent for SP-4158: WBJE Solar LLC (hereafter referred to as the *Company*). Please consider our request for exception from the requirement for an existing legally enforceable obligation to facilitate CSP-29 rates derived from docket EIOO Sub 130 for docket SP-4158 Sub 0. We know the commission is in the habit of a careful perspective.

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-in demographic sectors and geographical regions where it does not exist. The Company's qualifying facility is an example of all three of the factors above.

The Company has been created on the novel basis of bringing these factors to convey upon the "generationaf" owners of the land. Whereas, far too much of the astounding renewable energy development in North Carolina is completely owned by the existing capital and technical sectors; WBJE Solar LLC is unique by more equitably distributing the derived values to stakeholders typically circumvented by conventional developers and fmancing channels. Furthermore, our industry leading EPC refers to the Company's project as "a breath of fresh air".

The Company has been working with an investor since September 2014 to move forward. An application with the Federal Bureau of Investigation is commencing shortly to ascertain if this investor committed wire fraud. Several subsequent reputable investors are presently very interested in assisting the Company to complete the project; however, less favorable investment returns subject the Company's feasibility and novel objectives to undesirable risk with investors. Obviously, we are asking a lot of these established solar organizations to more equitably share those factors from Above, and diminished returns will not help.

Please recognize the more worthy value of WBJE Solar LLC transcending the boundary of disproportionate reward distribution in the typical energy business model and grant the exception. We firmly believe our vision has merit in North Carolina's renewable energy growth cycle.

Best Regard

Glenn Brooks Merritt Energy Park, Inc.

Pridgen Solar Group LLC 870 Lawrence Tedder Road Whiteville North Carolina 28472 (714) 478-1053 glen2ns@gmail.com February 27, 2015

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Re: Request for Waiver from LEO: E100-Sub 130 (CSP-29) Rate Change: Docket SP- 4159 sub 0.

Dear Ms. Mount,

Merritt Energy Park, Inc is the development agent for SP-4159: Pridgen Solar Group LLC (hereafter referred to as the *Company*). Please consider our request for exception from the requirement for an existing legally enforceable obligation to facilitate CSP-29 rates derived from docket E 100 Sub 130 for docket SP-4159 Sub 0. We know the commission is in the habit of a careful perspective.

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Please recognize the more worthy value of Pridgen Solar Group LLC transcending the boundary of disproportionate reward distribution in the typical energy business model and grant the exception. We firmly believe our vision has merit in North Carolina's renewable energy growth cycle.

Best Regards

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Double R Solar LLC

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Re: Request for Waiver from LEO: E100-Sub 130 (CSP-29) Rate Change: Docket SP-4160 sub 0.

Dear Ms. Mount:

Merritt Energy Park, Inc is the development agent for SP-4160: DoubleR Solar LLC (hereafter referred to as the *Company*). Please consider our request for exception from the requirement for an existing legally enforceable obligation to facilitate CSP-29 rates derived from docket EIOO Sub 130 for docket SP-4160 Sub 0. We know the commission is in the habit of a careful perspective.

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Please recognize the more worthy value of Double R Solar LLC transcending the boundary of disproportionate reward distribution in the typical energy business model and grant the exception. We firmly believe our vision has merit in North Carolina's renewable energy growth cycle.

Best Regards

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Re: Request for Waiver from LEO: EIOO-Sub 130 (CSP-29) Rate Change: Docket SP-4161 sub 0.

Dear Ms. Mount,

Merritt Energy Park, Inc is the development agent for SP-4161: Southside Solar LLC (hereafter referred to as the *Company*). Please consider our request for exception from the requirement for an existing legally enforceable obligation to facilitate CSP-29 rates derived from docket E 100 Sub 130 for docket SP-4161 Sub 0. We know the commission is in the habit of a careful perspective.

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Best Regards.

Glen Brooks Merritt Energy Park, Inc.

Son Power LLC 201 East Main Street Whiteville North Carolina 28472 (714) 478-1053 <u>glen2ns@gmail.com</u> February 27, 2015

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Re: Request for Waiver from LEO: E100-Sub 130 (CSP-29) Rate Change: Docket SP-4172 sub 0.

Dear Ms. Mount,

Merritt Energy Park, Inc., is the development agent for SP-4172: Son Power LLC (hereafter referred to as the *Company*). Please consider our request for exception from the requirement for an existing legally enforceable obligation to facilitate CSP-29 rates derived from docket E100 Sub 130 for docket SP-4172 Sub 0. We know the commission is in the habit of a careful perspective.

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Please recognize the more worthy value of Son Power LLC transcending the boundary of disproportionate reward distribution in the typical energy business model and grant the exception. We firmly believe our vision has merit in North Carolina's renewable energy growth cycle.

Best Regards

Glenn Brooks Merritt Energy Park, Inc.

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Re: Request for Waiver from LEO: E-IOO-Sub 130 CCSP-29) Rate Change: Docket SP- 4173 sub 0.

Dear Ms. Mount,

Merritt Energy Park, Inc is the development agent for SP-4173: Merritt Energy Partners LLC (hereafter referred to as the *Company*). Please consider our request for exception from the requirement for an existing legally enforceable obligation to facilitate CSP-29 rates derived from docket El 00 Sub 130 for docket SP-4173 Sub 0. We know the commission is in the habit of a careful perspective.

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Re: Request for Waiver from LEO: EIOO-Sub 130 (CSP-29) Rate Change: Docket SP-4176 sub 0.

Dear Ms. Mount,

Merritt Energy Park, Inc is the development agent for SP-4176: 6-Acre Field LLC (hereafter referred to as the *Company*). Please consider our request for exception from the requirement for an existing legally enforceable obligation to facilitate CSP-29 rates derived from docket EIOO Sub 130 for docket SP-4176 Sub 0. We know the commission is in the habit of a careful perspective.

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Re: Request for Waiver from LEO: E100-Sub 130 (CSP-29) Rate Change: Docket SP-4177 sub 0.

Dear Ms. Mount,

Merritt Energy Park, Inc is the development agent for SP-4177: 4-Lane Solar LLC (hereafter referred to as the *Company*). Please consider our request for exception from the requirement for an existing legally enforceable obligation to facilitate CSP-29 rates derived from docket EI 00 Sub 130 for docket SP-4177 Sub 0. We know the commission is in the habit of a careful perspective.

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Best Regards.

Glenn Brooks Merritt Energy Park, Inc.

GTOP Merritt Solar Equities

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Gail Mount, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 430 N. Salisbury Raleigh, NC 27603

Re: Request for Waiver from LEO: EIOO-Sub 130 (CSP-29) Rate Change: Docket SP-4996 sub 0.

Dear Ms. Mount,

Merritt Energy Park, Inc is the development agent for SP-4996: GTOP Merritt Solar Equities (hereafter referred to as the *Company*). Please consider our request for exception from the requirement for an existing legally enforceable obligation to facilitate CSP-29 rates derived from docket EIOO Sub 130 for docket SP-996 Sub 0. We know the commission is in the habit of a careful perspective.

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