

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. SP-5392, SUB 0

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Wilson Solar Farm 4, LLC,)	ORDER ISSUING CERTIFICATE
for a Certificate of Public Convenience)	AND ACCEPTING
and Necessity to Construct a 10-MW Solar)	REGISTRATION OF NEW
Facility in Wilson County, North Carolina)	RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITY

BY THE COMMISSION: On March 30, 2015, Wilson Solar Farm 4, LLC (Applicant), filed an application seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to G.S. 62-110.1(a) for construction of a 10-MW solar generating facility to be located at 2109 Downing Street in Wilson, Wilson County, North Carolina. The Applicant plans to sell the electricity to the North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency.

Contemporaneously with the application, the Applicant filed a registration statement for a renewable energy facility.

On April 1, 2015, the Commission issued an Order Requiring Publication of Notice.

On April 8, 2015, the Applicant filed a certificate of service stating that a copy of the CPCN application and related public notice were delivered on April 7, 2015, to ElectriCities of North Carolina, Inc. This notice was mailed after the first date of publication, but ElectriCities has waived the late notice.

On April 24, 2015, the Applicant filed an affidavit of publication from The Wilson Times stating that the publication of notice was completed on April 24, 2015. No complaints have been received.

On May 12, 2015, the State Clearinghouse filed comments. The comments included a letter from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS) dated April 22, 2015 which stated its general concern with the conversion of land from agricultural production to nonagricultural use, and the resulting impacts on agribusiness jobs and associated economic activity. The letter stated that the "total negative impact on the environmental and agribusiness economy will be proportionately related to the total acres of farm and forest land taken out of production." Because of the nature of the comments, however, the State Clearinghouse cover letter indicated that no further State Clearinghouse review action by the Commission was required for compliance with the North Carolina Environmental Policy Act.

The Public Staff presented this matter to the Commission at its Regular Staff Conference on June 1, 2015. The Public Staff stated that it had reviewed the application and determined it to be in compliance with the requirements of G.S. 62-110.1(a) and Commission Rule R8-64. The Public Staff further stated that the registration statement contains the certified attestations required by Commission Rule R8-66(b). Therefore, the Public Staff recommended approval of the certificate and registration for the facility.

After careful consideration, the Commission finds good cause to approve the application and issue the attached certificate for the proposed solar photovoltaic electric generating facility. The Commission further finds good cause, based upon the foregoing and the entire record in this proceeding, to accept registration of the facility as a new renewable energy facility. The Applicant shall annually file the information required by Commission Rule R8-66 on or before April 1 of each year and will be required to participate in the NC-RETS REC tracking system (<http://www.ncrets.org>) in order to facilitate the issuance of RECs.

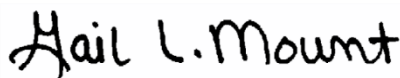
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That the application filed by Wilson Solar Farm 4, LLC, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity shall be, and is hereby, approved.
2. That Appendix A shall constitute the certificate of public convenience and necessity issued to Wilson Solar Farm 4, LLC, for the 10-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located at 2109 Downing Street in Wilson, Wilson County, North Carolina.
3. That the registration statement filed by Wilson Solar Farm 4, LLC, for its solar photovoltaic facility to be located in Wilson County, North Carolina, as a new renewable energy facility shall be, and is hereby, accepted.
4. That Wilson Solar Farm 4, LLC, annually file the information required by Commission Rule R8-66 on or before April 1 of each year.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 2nd day of June, 2015.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Gail L. Mount, Chief Clerk

Commissioner Susan W. Rabon did not participate in this decision.

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Wilson Solar Farm 4, LLC
133 Strawberry Lane
Saint Johns, Florida 32259
is hereby issued this

**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
PURSUANT TO G.S. 62-110.1**

for a 10-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic electric generating facility

located

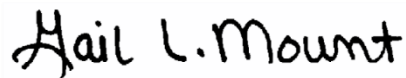
at 2109 Downing Street in Wilson, Wilson County, North Carolina,

subject to all orders, rules, regulations and conditions
as are now or may hereafter be lawfully made
by the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

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Gail L. Mount, Chief Clerk