

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-100, SUB 158

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Biennial Determination of Avoided Cost) ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF
Rates for Electric Utility Purchases from) TIME FOR FILING INITIAL AND
Qualifying Facilities – 2018) REPLY COMMENTS

BY THE CHAIR: On April 15, 2020, in the above-captioned docket the Commission issued its Order Establishing Standard Rates and Contract Terms for Qualifying Facilities in its 2018 biennial avoided cost proceeding pursuant to the provisions of Section 210 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA) and N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-156. In Finding of Fact No. 38 of that order and previously in its October 17, 2019 Supplemental Notice of Decision, the Commission found that it is appropriate to require Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC), and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP, and together with DEC, Duke), to file proposed guidelines for qualifying facilities (QFs) to become “controlled solar generators” and thereby avoid the integration services charge (or solar integration services charge (SISC)).

On November 18, 2019, Duke filed its Requirements for Avoidance of SISC for approval by the Commission.

On May 12, 2020, the Commission issued an order allowing parties to file initial comments on or before June 12, 2020, addressing Duke’s proposed Requirements for Avoidance of SISC, and reply comments on or before July 2, 2020, responding to the initial comments filed by other parties.

On June 11, 2020, North Carolina Clean Energy Business Alliance (NCCEBA) filed a Motion for Extension of Time to File Initial Comments requesting an extension of time until July 12, 2020, to file initial comments in response to the Commission’s May 12 order. In its Motion NCCEBA states that it is in the process of considering Duke’s proposed Requirements for Avoidance of SISC and that it needs additional time to evaluate the technical information. NCCEBA further states that Duke supports the request and that no other party opposes the request.

The Chair finds good cause to grant the request for extension of time to file initial comments. The Chair further finds good cause to grant a similar extension of time for the filing of reply comments.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the deadline for parties to file initial comments addressing Duke’s proposed Requirements for Avoidance of SISC shall be extended to

Monday, July 13, 2020, and that parties may file reply comments on or before July 31, 2020, responding to the initial comments filed by other parties.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 15th day of June, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kimberley A. Campbell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'K'.

Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk