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Ms. Gail L. Mount, Chief Clerk
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Re: Docket No. RET-33, Sub 5
Appalachian State University – Application to Register a New Renewable Energy Facility
25,680 Btu/hr Solar Thermal Facility at 608 Water Tank Rd., Fleetwood, NC

Dear Ms. Mount:

The Public Staff – Electric Division has completed its review of the Registration Statement for a New Renewable Energy Facility filed by Appalachian State University on May 30, 2012, in the above-referenced docket pursuant to Commission Rule R8-66. As a result of our review, we request that the Applicant file the specific method of determining the Btus produced by the facility. This information is necessary to determine if the renewable energy certificates produced by the facility can be used to meet the solar set aside in G.S. 62-133.8(d).

I certify that a copy of this letter has been served on the individuals or businesses shown below, by depositing a copy in the United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, properly addressed. If necessary, please contact me at (919) 733-1518 or at Jay.Lucas@psncuc.nc.gov.

Regards,

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