# NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF REGULAR COMMISSION STAFF CONFERENCE

March 21, 2022

The Regular Commission Staff Conference of the North Carolina Utilities Commission was held on Monday, March 21, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., with Chair Mitchell presiding.

The following were present:

#### **COMMISSIONERS:**

Commissioner Brown-Bland Commissioner Clodfelter Commissioner Duffley Commissioner Hughes Commissioner McKissick

<u>COMMISSION STAFF</u>: Mr. Watson, Mr. Green, Ms. Fennell, Ms. Duffy, Ms. Hicks, Ms. Harrod, Ms. Webb-Shackleford, Ms. Hilburn, Ms. Eastwood, Ms. Jayasheela, Mr. Gajda, Mr. McCoy

**PUBLIC STAFF:** Mr. Ayers, Ms. Downey, Ms. Holt, Mr. Creech, Mr. Lucas

**ATTORNEY GENERAL**:

COURT REPORTER: Ms. Mitchell

## **ELECTRIC**

## **Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC**

 Docket No. SP-3957, Sub 0 – Application of Old Pageland-Monroe Road Solar Farm, LLC, for an amended certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct a 5-MW solar photovoltaic facility in Union County, North Carolina

On December 2, 2014, the Commission issued an order granting Old Pageland-Monroe Road Solar Farm, LLC (Applicant), a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-110.1 for construction of a 5-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic generating facility to be located at 919 and 1023 Old Pageland Monroe Road, Monroe, Union County, North Carolina.

On August 20, 2021, the Applicant filed an amended site plan with a new configuration of the facility.

The Public Staff stated that it reviewed the amendment and determined it to be in compliance with the requirements of N.C.G.S. § 62-110.1(a) and Commission Rule R8-64.

The Public Staff recommended that the application of Old Pageland-Monroe Road Solar Farm, LLC, for an amended certificate of public convenience and necessity be approved.

### **Duke Energy Progress, LLC**

2. <u>Docket No. SP-3675, Sub 0</u> – Application of Highwater Solar I, LLC, for an amended certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct a 5-MW solar photovoltaic facility in Wayne County, North Carolina

On September 9, 2014, the Commission issued an order granting Highwater Solar I, LLC (Applicant), a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-110.1 for construction of a 5-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic generating facility to be located on Belfast Road in Stoney Creek, Wayne County, North Carolina.

On August 20, 2021, the Applicant filed an amended site plan with a new configuration of the facility.

The Public Staff stated that it reviewed the amendment and determined it to be in compliance with the requirements of N.C.G.S. § 62-110.1(a) and Commission Rule R8-64.

The Public Staff recommended that the application of Highwater Solar I, LLC, for an amended certificate of public convenience and necessity be approved.

3. <u>Docket No. SP-3895, Sub 0</u> – Application of Innovative Solar 63, LLC, for an amended certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct a 4.995-MW solar photovoltaic facility in Greene County, North Carolina

On December 18, 2014, the Commission issued an order granting Innovative Solar 63, LLC (Applicant), a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-110.1 for construction of a 4.995-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic generating facility to be located at 2958 Glenfield Road, Snow Hill, Greene County, North Carolina.

On August 23, 2021, the Applicant filed an amended site plan with a new configuration of the facility.

The Public Staff stated that it reviewed the amendment and determined it to be in compliance with the requirements of N.C.G.S. § 62-110.1(a) and Commission Rule R8-64.

The Public Staff recommended that the application of Innovative Solar 63, LLC, for an amended certificate of public convenience and necessity be approved.

It was moved and passed that the Public Staff's recommendations be adopted.

Minutes of the Regular Commission Staff Conference of March 14, 2022 were approved.

Minutes prepared by Le Anne Ackerman.