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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Kimberley Campbell
Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
430 N. Salisbury Street
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Re: Affidavit of Publication; Docket No. EMP-114, Sub 0

Dear Clerk Campbell:

Enclosed please find the Affidavit of Publication of the Public Notice to be filed in the above-referenced docket.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ E. Merrick Parrott

Enclosure

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Tylanda Randolph affirms that he/she is clerk of Daily Advance, a newspaper published daily at Elizabeth City, North Carolina, and that the advertisement, a true copy of which is hereto attached, entitled public notice was published in said Daily Advance on the following dates:

- Thursday, December 31, 2020
- Thursday, January 7, 2021
- Thursday, January 14, 2021
- Thursday, January 21, 2021

and that the said newspaper in which such notice, paper, document or legal advertisement was published, was at the time of each and every publication, a newspaper meeting all of the requirements and qualifications of Chapter 1, Section 597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and was a qualified newspaper within the meaning of Chapter 1, Section 597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

Tylanda Randolph
 Affirmed and subscribed before me this 21st day of January 2021

Aquichia Walker
 (Notary Public Signature)
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 (Notary Public Printed Name)

My commission expires 8-21-24



**PUBLIC NOTICE
 DOCKET NO. EMP-114, SUB 0
 APPLICATION OF OAK TRAIL SOLAR,
 LLC, FOR A
 CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE
 AND NECESSITY
 TO CONSTRUCT A 100-MW SOLAR
 FACILITY IN CURRITUCK COUNTY, NC**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled a remote public hearing to be held online via Webex on Monday, February 1, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to receive public witness testimony regarding the application of Oak Trail Solar, LLC, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) to construct a 100-MWAC solar photovoltaic (PV) electric generating facility to be located in Currituck County, North Carolina, and to be operated as a merchant generating facility. A link to view the hearing will be available at www.ncuc.net. Members of the public that would like to testify must register in advance of the hearing, no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 27, 2021, by contacting the Public Staff by calling 866-380-9816. When registering, provide your name, docket number (EMP-114, Sub 0), telephone number, and the topic of your testimony. Only individuals registered with the Public Staff by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 27, 2021, will be allowed to testify at the hearing. In support of its application, the Applicant filed the direct testimony of Matt Crook and Wyatt Toolson. In summary, witness Cook states that construction of the 100-MW solar PV facility is anticipated to begin on or about December 2021, with the expected commercial operation date being as December 2022. He further states that the location of the proposed facility is south of S. Mills Road (NC 1227), on the east and west sides of Puddin Ridge Road, and on the north and south sides of Cooper Garrett Road, near the unincorporated community of Moyock, in Currituck County, North Carolina. Witness Crook testifies that the facility will interconnect with the electric transmission system owned by Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC), affording it access to the PJM regional transmission organization, the Applicant has a fully-executed Power Purchase Agreement with a large Commercial and Industrial Customer for the entirety of the facility's output, as well as the Renewable Energy Credits generated by this facility, and the expected service life of the facility is over 30 years. On September 29, 2020, the Public Staff filed a Notice of Completeness stating that the Public Staff has reviewed the application as required by Commission Rule R8-63(d) and that the Public Staff

considers the application to be complete. Additional information about the application is available for review by the public on the Commission's website and online docket system at www.ncuc.net. The Public Staff is authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Written statements to the Public Staff should include any information that the writers wish to be considered by the Public Staff in its investigation of the matter. Such statements should be addressed to Mr. Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff, 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4326. The Attorney General is also authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Statements to the Attorney General should be addressed to The Honorable Josh Stein, Attorney General, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-9001. Written statements may be emailed to utilityAGO@ncdoj.gov. Written statements will be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision but do not receive the same consideration as testimony provided by public witnesses at a hearing. Any person desiring to intervene in the proceeding as a formal party of record should file a petition under North Carolina Utilities Commission Rules R1-5 and R1-19 on or before Friday, March 26, 2021. Such petitions should be filed with the Chief Clerk of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4325. The direct testimony and exhibits of expert witnesses to be presented by intervenors should also be filed with the Commission on or before Friday, March 26, 2021. The Commission may cancel the public witness hearing if no substantial written complaints regarding the proposed facility are received by the Commission's Chief Clerk on or before Thursday, January 28, 2021.
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