

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-100, SUB 83

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of  
Investigation of Net Metering ) ORDER REQUESTING COMMENTS

BY THE CHAIRMAN: On February 24, 2014, the North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association (NCSEA) filed a Motion for Disclosure and Equitable Relief (Motion) in the above-captioned proceeding. NCSEA requests that the Commission direct Duke Energy Corporation (Duke), through its two North Carolina operating companies, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC), and Duke Energy Progress, Inc. (DEP), to:

- (1) guarantee, at a minimum, the continued availability of the current net metering terms and conditions for a period of 10 years from the customer's install date to each residential or commercial customer who installs a net metered rooftop solar system prior to issuance of a final order in any net metering proceeding initiated in the coming year; and
- (2) disclose, within a reasonable period, to NCSEA and other intervenors the analysis upon which Duke Energy Corporation is basing its messaging that net metering in North Carolina is unfair.

NCSEA further states that customer-owned generation remains the only competitive retail threat to a public electric utility; that DEC has stated that it "will seek to change the current net metering rules because the rules are unfair"; that DEC has "indicated its intent to alter the State's net metering rules"; that studies show that the benefits to customers of solar generation outweigh the costs; that DEC's messaging has created market uncertainty negatively impacting the rooftop solar market; and that the Commission can offer relief from this uncertainty, prior to a final resolution in this Docket, by directing Duke to provide the above requested relief.

The Chairman finds good cause to request that interested parties file written comments on NCSEA's Motion.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

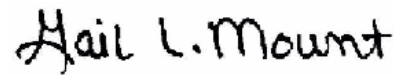
1. That parties are requested to file comments on NCSEA's Motion on or before Friday, March 21, 2014.
2. That parties may file reply comments on or before Friday, April 4, 2014.

3. That the Commission will proceed as it deems appropriate after receiving comments and reply comments.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2014.

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Gail L. Mount, Chief Clerk