STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1148

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Fresh Air II, LLC,)	
Co	omplainant,)	
v.)	
Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC,		ORDER SCHEDULING HEARING
Re	espondent.)	
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BY THE CHAIRMAN: On June 15, 2017, Fresh Air II, LLC, filed a verified Complaint regarding two interconnection requests described as Complainant Younts PV1 and Complainant Round Hill PV1 (collectively the Complainants) in the above-captioned docket against Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC).

In summary, both Complainant Younts PV1 and Complainant Round Hill PV1 allege each is constructing a 5 MW solar photovoltaic renewable energy facility to be located in DEC's service territory and that DEC has not complied with the Commission's Interconnection Standard, including but not limited to failure to complete the Facilities Study and the System Impact Study, failure to notify the Complainant that it would not meet the deadlines, and failure to provide the Complainant with an estimated time for completion of the Facilities Study and the System Impact Study. Complainants both allege that DEC has violated the requirements of PURPA.

The relief requested by Complainants is that the Commission conclude that DEC has failed to use reasonable efforts to comply with the Commission's Interconnection Standard and the NC Interconnection Procedures, order DEC to immediately complete the System Impact Studies and comply with all other deadlines, without subjecting Complainants to Respondent's recently implemented study criteria.

On June 20, 2017, the Commission issued an Order Serving Complaint and Requiring Response directing that DEC either satisfy the demands of the Complainant and so advise the Commission or file a response to the Complaint on or before July 20, 2017.

After receiving an extension of time, on July 27, 2017, DEC filed an Answer. In summary, DEC states that it has made reasonable efforts to process and study the interconnection request and to resolve the Complainant's alleged disputes and that the Commission should deny Complainant's requests.

On August 11, 2017, the Commission issued an Order Serving Answer. On August 14, 2017, the Complainant filed a Reply and request for hearing.

The Chairman has reviewed all of the filings in the docket and finds good cause exists to schedule a hearing in this matter and require pre-filed testimony.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That this docket is scheduled for hearing on Wednesday, October 18, 2017, at 2:00 p.m., in Commission Hearing Room 2115, 430 N. Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina;
- 2. That Complainant shall file direct testimony in support of the Complaint with the Commission on or before Wednesday, September 13, 2017, and shall serve Respondent;
- 3, That Respondent shall file direct testimony with the Commission on or before Wednesday, October 4, 2017, and shall serve Complainant; and
- 4. That Complainant may file rebuttal testimony, if any, with the Commission on or before Wednesday, October 11, 2017, and shall serve Respondent.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 23rd day of August, 2017.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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