

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. EMP-110, SUB 0

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of  
Application of Sumac Solar, LLC, for a )  
Certificate of Public Convenience and ) ORDER CANCELLING PUBLIC  
Necessity to Construct a 120-MW Solar ) WITNESS HEARING  
Facility in Bertie County, North Carolina )

BY THE CHAIR: On April 16, 2020, Sumac Solar LLC (Applicant) filed an application pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-110.1 and Commission Rule R8-63 for a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) to construct a 120-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic (PV) electric generating facility to be located in Bertie County, North Carolina, and operated as a merchant generating facility.

On April 23, 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. In addition, the Public Staff requested that the Commission issue a procedural order setting the application for hearing, requiring public notice pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-82, and addressing other procedural matters.

On April 28, 2020, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Testimony, Establishing Procedural Guidelines, and Requiring Public Notice (Scheduling Order). The Scheduling Order, among other things, scheduled a hearing on Tuesday, June 23, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at the Bertie County Courthouse in Windsor, North Carolina, for the purpose of receiving public witness testimony regarding the application, and required the Applicant to publish public notice of the hearing in a newspaper having general circulation in Bertie County once a week for four consecutive weeks. Further, the Scheduling Order provided that the Commission may cancel the public witness hearing if no substantial written complaints regarding the proposed facility were filed on or before ten days following the last day of publication of the notice.

On June 4, 2020, the Applicant filed an affidavit of publication, evidencing that the Applicant caused to be published notice of the hearing in the Roanoke-Chowan News-Herald (Ahoskie) as required by the Scheduling Order.

On June 11, 2020, the Applicant filed a Motion to Cancel Hearings requesting that the Commission cancel the public witness hearing scheduled for June 23, 2020, and the expert witness hearing scheduled for July 13, 2020. The Applicant states that the Public Staff consents to the cancellation of the hearings.

The Commission has not received any written complaints regarding the proposed facility, and no party has requested to intervene in this proceeding.

Based upon the foregoing and the entire record herein, the Chair finds good cause to cancel the public witness hearing scheduled in this docket for Tuesday, June 23, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at the Bertie County Courthouse in Windsor, North Carolina.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 16th day of June, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk