## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. SP-5422, SUB 0

## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Application of North 301 Solar, LLC,	) ORDER ISSUING AMENDED
For a Certificate of Public Convenience	) CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC
and Necessity to Construct a 20-MW Solar	) CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
Facility in Halifax County, North Carolina	)

BY THE COMMISSION: On October 6, 2015, based on findings that North 301 Solar, LLC (Applicant), had complied with the statutory requirement under N.C.G.S. § 62-82 for publication of notice and other requirements, the Commission issued an order in the above-captioned docket granting Applicant a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) for construction of a 20-MW solar generating facility to be located at 15919 Highway 301, near Enfield, Halifax County, North Carolina. In addition, the Commission accepted registration of the facility as a new renewable energy facility. Applicant plans to sell the electricity to Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC).

On September 12, 2018, Applicant filed an amended CPCN application. In summary, Applicant stated that it had added two parcels of land to the facility site, and made additional changes to the equipment configuration. In addition, Applicant filed updated site maps correcting survey errors in the original site map.

On September 18, 2018, the Commission issued an Amended Order Requiring Publication of Notice.

On October 10, 2018, Applicant filed an amended certificate of service stating that a copy of the amended application and the related public notice were provided to Halifax Electric Membership Corporation and DENC.

On October 29, 2018, the State Clearinghouse filed comments. Because of the nature of the comments, the cover letter indicated that no further State Clearinghouse review action by the Commission was required for compliance with the North Carolina Environmental Policy Act.

On December 20, 2018, Applicant filed an affidavit of publication from The Daily Herald (Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina) stating that publication of the Public Notice for the amended application was made on September 28, 2018, November 30, 2018, and December 7 and 14, 2018. No complaints have been received.

Also on December 20, 2018, Applicant filed a request for expedited action on its application for an amended CPCN. In summary, Applicant stated that due to an inadvertent error by The Daily Herald, the Public Notice for its amended application was not published for four successive weeks, as required for the initial application under N.C.G.S. § 62-82. In addition, Applicant stated that it had consulted with the Public Staff and was authorized to represent that the Public Staff believes that adequate notice was provided to the public for an amendment to the CPCN, and, therefore, the Public Staff does not object to the method of public notice given under the circumstances. Further, Applicant requested Commission approval of the amended CPCN by the end of calendar year 2018 in order to meet certain business needs of Applicant.

After careful consideration, the Commission finds good cause to approve the amended application and issue the attached amended certificate of public convenience and necessity for the proposed solar photovoltaic electric generating facility.

## IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That the application of North 301 Solar, LLC, for an amended certificate of public convenience and necessity shall be, and is hereby, approved.
- 2. That Appendix A shall constitute the amended certificate of public convenience and necessity issued to North 301 Solar, LLC, for the 20-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar generating facility to be located at 15919 Highway 301, near Enfield, Halifax County, North Carolina.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 31st day of December, 2018.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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North 301 Solar, LLC 17115 Kenton Drive, Suite 206A Cornelius, North Carolina 28031

is hereby issued this

AMENDED CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S. § 62-110.1

for a 20-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic electric generating facility

located at

15919 Highway 301, near Enfield, Halifax County, North Carolina,

subject to all orders, rules, regulations and conditions as are now or may hereafter be lawfully made by the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 31st day of December, 2018.

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