

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. EMP-118, SUB 1

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application of Timbermill Wind, LLC for a) ORDER SCHEDULING PUBLIC
Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and) HEARING, REQUIRING PUBLIC
Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct) NOTICE AND REQUIRING
a Transmission Line for a Facility in Chowan) CLEARINGHOUSE REVIEW
County, North Carolina)

BY THE CHAIR: On June 21, 2021, Timbermill Wind, LLC (Timbermill) filed an application in the above-captioned docket to obtain a certificate of environmental compatibility and public convenience and necessity (CECPCN), to construct approximately six miles of 230-kV transmission line in Chowan County, North Carolina, to interconnect a proposed wind energy facility with a planned capacity of up to 189 MW_{AC}. The application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for construction of the wind energy facility was filed on June 14, 2021, in Docket No, EMP-118, Sub 0.

In summary, Timbermill's application describes the details of the transmission line and the benefits to be provided by the line. Further, the application is supported by pre-filed testimony and describes in detail the preferred route for the transmission line. Finally, as required by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-102(c), the application includes a proposed Public Notice that provides a summary of the application.

The Chair is of the opinion that good cause exists to schedule a public witness hearing to consider Timbermill's CECPCN application. Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-104(b), the Commission may cancel the public witness hearing if no significant protests are filed with the Commission. The Chair further concludes that Timbermill should be required to publish the Public Notice attached hereto as Appendix A in the manner required by N.C.G.S. § 62-102(c), and to file an affidavit of publication with the Commission. Finally, the Commission will send the application to the State Clearinghouse for distribution to agencies having an interest in the application.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That a public witness hearing shall be held on Thursday, October 14, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., at the Chowan County Courthouse, 101 South Broad Street, Edenton, North Carolina, for the purpose of receiving public witness testimony regarding Timbermill's CECPCN application. ***However, the public witness hearing may be cancelled if no significant protests are filed with the Commission subsequent to the publication of Public Notice;***

2. That any person having an interest in this proceeding may file a petition to intervene stating such interest and may file expert witness testimony on or before Wednesday, September 29, 2021;

3. That the Chief Clerk of the Commission shall deliver two copies of the application and the Public Notice attached hereto as Appendix A to the Clearinghouse Coordinator of the Office of Policy and Planning of the Department of Administration for distribution by the Coordinator to State agencies having an interest in the application;

4. That Timbermill shall publish the Public Notice attached hereto as Appendix A in the manner required by N.C.G.S. § 62-102 and Commission Rule R8-62(g) in newspapers having general circulation in Chowan County; and

5. That Timbermill shall file affidavits of publication on or before the date of the public witness hearing.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 22nd day of June, 2021.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joann R. Snyder".

Joann R. Snyder, Deputy Clerk

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In the Matter of)	
Application of Timbermill Wind, LLC, for a)	
Certificate of Environmental Compatibility)	PUBLIC NOTICE
and Public Convenience and Necessity)	
Pursuant to N.C.G.S. §§ 62-100 <i>et. seq.</i> to)	
Construct a Transmission Line for a)	
Proposed Generating Facility in Chowan)	
County, North Carolina)	

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 21, 2021, Timbermill Wind, LLC (Timbermill) filed with the North Carolina Utilities Commission (Commission), an application to obtain a certificate of environmental compatibility and public convenience and necessity (CECPCN), to construct approximately six miles of 230-kV transmission line in Chowan County, North Carolina, to interconnect a proposed wind energy facility with a planned capacity of up to 189 MW_{AC}. The application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for construction of the wind energy facility was filed on June 14, 2021, in Docket No, EMP-118, Sub 0.

The CECPCN application states that the proposed transmission line route will be sited on private land over which Timbermill and the landowners have executed site control agreements for the purpose of the transmission line. The transmission line will originate at the proposed wind energy facility collector substation south of W. Bear Swamp Road and run approximately six miles south, crossing Paradise Road, to interconnect to the existing 230-kV Winfall-Mackeys transmission line owned by Dominion Energy North Carolina, at a point north of the Norfolk and Southern Railroad and north of U.S. Highway 17 Bypass.

Anyone wishing to view Timbermill's CECPCN application and the detailed maps concerning this project may do so on the Commission's website, www.ncuc.net (Search for Docket No. EMP- 118 Sub 1). You may also review these materials at the following Timbermill location: 310 4th St NE, Charlottesville, VA 22902; or may contact Jimmy Merrick at 434-282-2107 to arrange to review the application in Chowan County.

The Commission has scheduled the application for a public witness hearing on Thursday, October 14, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., at the Chowan County Courthouse, 101 South Broad Street, Edenton, North Carolina, **This hearing may be canceled if no significant protests are received subsequent to the publication of this Public Notice.**

Persons desiring to intervene as formal parties of record should file a verified petition under Commission Rules R1-5 and R1-19, and may file expert witness testimony, on or before Wednesday, September 29, 2021. The petition and any testimony in support thereof should be filed with the Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300.

Persons desiring to send written statements to inform the Commission of their position in the matter should address their statements to the North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300, and should reference Docket No. EMP-118, Sub 1. Such written statements will be included in the Commission's official files. If the public hearing is not canceled, however, such written statements cannot be considered competent evidence unless those persons appear at the hearing and testify concerning the information contained in their written statements.

The Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission is required by statute to represent the using and consuming public in proceedings before the Commission. Statements to the Executive Director should be addressed to Mr. Chris Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff-North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300.

The Attorney General is also authorized to represent the using and consuming public in proceedings before the Commission. Statements to the Attorney General should be addressed to: The Honorable Josh Stein, Attorney General of North Carolina, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-9001. Written statements may be emailed to utilityAGO@ncdoj.gov.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 22nd day of June, 2021.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Joann R. Snyder, Deputy Clerk

NOTE TO PRINTER: Advertising cost shall be paid by the Applicant. It is required that the Affidavit of Publication be filed with the Commission by the Applicant.