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May 14, 2021

Ms. Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 430 N. Salisbury Street Raleigh, NC 27603

RE: Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Application for Filo Solar, LLC to Construct an 80-MW_{AC} Solar Facility in Montgomery County, North Carolina NCUC Docket No. SP-33082, Sub 0

Dear Ms. Campbell:

On behalf of Filo Solar, LLC, we submit the attached **Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Application** in the above-referenced docket.

Should you have any questions concerning this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Karen m. Komerait

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cc: All parties of record Enclosures

A Pennsylvania Limited Liability Partnership

DOCKET NO. SP-³³⁰⁸², SUB ⁰ Filing Fee Tendered \$^{275.00}

Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity – Rule R8-64

Pursuant to Commission Rule R8-64, this form is required for use in applying for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) by a person, other than an electric public utility, who is an owner of a renewable energy facility that is participating in the Competitive Procurement of Renewable Energy Program established in G.S. 62-110.8, or by a person who is seeking the benefits of 16 U.S.C. 624-3 or G.S. 62-156 as a qualifying co-generator or a qualifying small power producer as defined in 16 U.S.C. 796(17) and (18), or as a small power producer as defined in G.S. 62-3(27a), except persons exempt from certification pursuant to G.S. 62-110.1(g). This form may be accompanied by any exhibits or additional responses incorporated by reference thereto and attached to this form. This form must be accompanied by the required filing fee of \$25.00.

You may file this application electronically; please see www.ncuc.net for instructions.

If this form is filed by hard copy, the original plus 12 copies must be presented at or transmitted to the office of the Chief Clerk. Regardless of the method of delivery, this form is not deemed filed until it is received by the Chief Clerk, along with the required filing fee.

The mailing address is:

Chief Clerk NC Utilities Commission 4325 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-4325

| Exhib | oits required by Rule R8-64(b) | Applicant's Response | |
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| (1)(i) | Full and correct name of the owner of the facility | Filo Solar LLC | |
| | Facility name | Filo Solar LLC | |
| | Business address | 130 Roberts Street, Asheville, NC 28801 | |
| | E-mail address | utility@pinegaterenewables.com | |
| | Telephone number | _(855) 969-3380 | |
| (ii) | The owner is (check one) | 🔲 Individual 🔲 Partnership 🗹 Corporation | |
| | If a partnership, the name and business address of each general partner | | |
| | If a corporation, the state and date of incorporation | North Carolina limited liability company formed April 12, 2021. | |

| | If a partnership, the name | | |
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| | and address of each general partner (add additional sheets | | |
| | if necessary) | | |
| | Owner's agent for purposes | | |
| | of this application, if | Karen Kemerait Fox Rothschild LLP | |
| | applicable: | | |
| | Agent's business address | 434 Fayetteville St, Suite 2800, Raleigh, NC 27601 | |
| | Agent's e-mail address | kkemerait@foxrothschild.com | |
| | Agent's telephone number | (919) 755-8764 | |
| (iii) | The full and correct name of | The site is owned by independent landowners: James J. | |
| | the site owner and, if the site | Schad, Todd M. Schad and Mark T. Braswell. The | |
| | owner is other than the | applicant and facility owner, Filo Solar LLC, has a valid | |
| | applicant, the applicant's | ground lease with each owner. | |
| | legal interest in the site | | |
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| (2)(i) | | oto showing the location of the generating facility | |
| | • | ys, streets, rivers, streams, and other generally | |
| | | proposed location of major equipment indicated | |
| | | g: the generator, fuel handling equipment, plant | |
| | | uipment, the site boundary, planned and existing | |
| | | roads, planned and existing water supplies, and | |
| | | acilities ; . A U.S. Geological Survey map or an he State's geographic information system (found | |
| | at www.gis.ncdcr.gov/hpoweb/) | | |
| (ii) | E911 street address of the | | |
| () | proposed facility | E911 address has not yet been assigned to the facility | |
| | County in which the proposed | Montgomery County | |
| | facility will be physically | Montgomory County | |
| | located | | |
| | GPS coordinates of the | 35°21'35.87"N 79°49'11.22"W | |
| | approximate center of the | | |
| | proposed facility site to the | | |
| | nearest second or one | | |
| | thousandth of a degree | | |
| (2)(;) | The noture of the feelity | | |
| (3)(i) | The nature of the facility, | The facility will be an 80 MWac solar photovoltaic (PV) | |
| | including its technology, and the source of its power and | generation facility that will utilize solar energy to produce electricity. | |
| | fuel(s) | ธารรณาษณ์ | |
| (ii) | A description of the buildings, | The facility's equipment is expected to include: | |
| (") | structures and equipment | (i) Approximately 230,925 Canadian Solar 485W Bifacial modules (or | |
| | comprising the generating | equivalent) (ii) Approximately 24 Sungrow SG3600U inverters (or equivalent) | |
| | facility and the manner of its | (iii) Approximately 24 EPC Power CAB 1000 bi-directional inverters (or equivalent) | |
| | operation | (iv) Approximately 12 LG Chem 2.860 MW X 1 HR Batteries (or equivalent) | |
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| (iii) | The gross and net projected maximum dependable capacity of the facility in megawatts – Alternating Current The facility's nameplate | The dependable capacity of the facility is 34.32 MWac. |
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| | capacity in megawatts – Alternating Current | The facility's nameplate capacity is 80 MWac |
| (iv) | The projected date on which the facility will come on line | May 1, 2024 |
| (v) | The applicant's general plan for sale of the electricity to be generated, including the name of utility to which the applicant plans to sell the electricity | The facility owner plans to sell the electricity to Duke Energy Progress, LLC, pursuant to a long-term Power Purchase Agreement. |
| (vi) | Any provisions for wheeling of the electricity, if applicable | No provisions for the facility to wheel electricity. |
| (vii) | Arrangements for firm, non- firm, or emergency generation, if applicable | There are currently no arrangement for firm, non-firm, or emergency generation |
| (viii) | The service life of the project | 40 years |
| (ix) | The projected annual sales in kilowatt-hours | 195,654,015 kWh |
| (x) | | o produce renewable energy certificates that are State's renewable energy and energy efficiency |
| | | |
| (4)(i) | A complete list of all federal and state licenses, permits and exemptions required for construction and operation of the generating facility and a statement of whether each has been obtained or applied for | FERC Form 556, Self-Certification of Qualifying Facility - Complete NC Dept of Environmental Quality: Stormwater Permit and Sedimentation and Erosion Control Permit - TBD NC Dept of Transportation: Commercial Driveway Permit - TBD FAA Section 77.9 Notice - In study EIA-860 and EIA-923 - TBD |
| (ii) | obtained; a copy of those that | ses, permits and exemptions that have been at have not been obtained at the time of the the Commission as soon as they are obtained |
| (5) | The expected cost of the proposed facility | \$ 152,847,301 |

(6) The following applicants shall complete this section with the information as described in R8-64(b)(6): 1) An applicant seeking to enter into a contract for the sale of electricity with a term of 5 years or more, and whose facility will have a projected generating capacity of 5 MW_{AC} or greater and is not a solar photovoltaic facility, and 2) An applicant seeking to enter into a contract for the sale of electricity with a term of 5 years or more, and whose facility with a term of 5 years or more, and whose facility is a solar photovoltaic facility with a generating capacity of 25 MW_{AC} or more.

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| (i)a | A statement detailing the experience and expertise of the persons who will develop, design, construct, and operate the project to the extent such persons are known at the time of the application |
| b | Information specifically identifying the extent to which any regulated utility will be involved in the actual operation of the project |
| С | A statement obtained by the applicant from the electric utility to which the applicant plans to sell the electricity to be generated setting forth an assessment of the impact of such purchased power on the utility's capacity, reserves, generation mix, capacity expansion plan, and avoided costs |
| (ii)a | The most current available balance sheet of the applicant |
| b | The most current available income statement of the applicant |
| С | An economic feasibility study of the project |
| d | A statement of the actual financing arrangements entered into in connection with the project to the extent known at the time of the application |
| (iii)a | A detailed explanation of the anticipated kilowatt and kilowatt-hour outputs, on- peak and off-peak, for each month of the year. The explanation shall include a statement of the specific on-peak and off-peak hours underlying the applicant's quantification of anticipated kilowatt and kilowatt-hour outputs |
| b | A detailed explanation of all energy inputs and outputs, of whatever form, for the project, including the amount of energy and the form of energy to be sold to each purchaser |
| С | A detailed explanation of arrangements for fuel supply, including the length of time covered by the arrangements, to the extent known at the time of the application |

Confidentiality

If an applicant considers certain of the required information above to be confidential and entitled to protection from public disclosure, it may designate said information as confidential and file it under seal. Documents marked as confidential will be treated pursuant to applicable Commission rules, procedures, and orders dealing with filings made under seal and with nondisclosure agreements.

Please read the "After You File" instructions on the last page of this document.

All applications shall be signed and verified (notarized) by the applicant or by an individual duly authorized to act on behalf of the applicant for the purpose of the application. A blank verification page is attached below:

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF NC COUNTY OF Buncombe

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CEO

Signature of Owner's Representative or Agent

Title of Representative or Agent

Ben Catt

Typed or Printed Name of Representative or Agent

The above named person personally appeared before me this day and, being first duly sworn, says that the facts stated in the foregoing application and any exhibits, documents, and statements thereto attached are true as he or she believes.

| WITNESS my hand and notarial seal, this | 2 th day of <u>May</u> , 20 <u>21</u> . |
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| My Comm | ission Expires: 04.11.2024 |
| Gu | NUMBER WITH |
| Signature of Notary Public | NOTARL DR |
| Corinne Wullimann | APP PUBLIC E |

Name of Notary Public – Typed or Printed

This original verification must be affixed to the original application, and a copy of this verification must be affixed to each of the copies that are also submitted to the Commission.

After You File

- 1. After you file an application for a CPCN, the Utilities Commission will automatically send a copy to the State Clearinghouse for a government agency review and will issue an Order Requiring Publication of Notice.
- 2. The State Clearinghouse will post the application on its website for a 30-day review by government agencies.
- 3. You must publish the Commission's Public Notice as required by the Order Requiring Publication of Notice.
- 4. You must send a copy of the application <u>and</u> the Commission's Public Notice to the interconnecting utility no later than the first date that publication begins in the newspaper. You must also file a <u>notarized</u> letter called a "certificate of service" that states you completed this requirement.
- 5. After the publication period, the publishing newspaper should send you a notarized affidavit of publication. You must file the affidavit of publication with the Chief Clerk of the Utilities Commission.
- 6. If a complaint is received within 10 days after the last date of the publication of the notice, the Commission will schedule a public hearing to determine whether a certificate should be awarded and will give reasonable notice of the time and place of the hearing to the applicant and to each complaining party and will require the applicant to publish notice of the hearing in the newspaper in which the notice of the application was published. If no complaint is received within the time specified, the Commission may, upon its own initiative, order and schedule a hearing to determine whether a certificate should be awarded and, if the Commission orders a hearing upon its own initiative, it will require notice of the hearing to be published by the applicant in the newspaper in which the notice of the application was published.

If no complaint is received within the time specified and the Commission does not order a hearing upon its own initiative, the Commission will enter an order issuing the certificate.

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Filo Solar, LLC – CPCN Application

Exhibit 2

i. Color site plan.

Exhibit 4

ii. The federal and state licenses, permits, and exemptions required for the construction and operation of the generating facility that have been obtained.

Exhibit 6

i. a) A statement detailing the experience and expertise of the persons who will develop, design, construct, and operate the project is attached hereto.

b) No regulated utility will be involved in the actual operation of the project, outside of their normal role in operating the grid.

c) The applicant has requested a statement of the impact of the purchased power on Duke Energy Progress' capacity, reserves, generation mix, capacity expansion plan, and avoided costs. The response will be filed upon receipt.

Exhibit 7

ii. a) The most currently available balance sheet of Pine Gate Renewables, LLC, the upstream owner of Filo Solar, LLC, shall be filed under seal.

b) The most currently available income statement of Pine Gate Renewables, LLC, the upstream owner of Filo Solar, LLC, shall be filed under seal.

c) An economic feasibility study of the project shall be filed under seal.

d) The financing arrangements in connection with the project are not yet known. The financing arrangements will be filed once known.

Exhibit 8

a) A detailed explanation of the anticipated kilowatt and kilowatt-hour outputs, on-peak and off-peak, for each month of the year, including the specific on-peak and off-peak hours that were used to determine the facility's anticipated kilowatt and kilowatt-hour outputs will be filed under seal due to the confidential contents.

b) The proposed photovoltaic facility shall utilize solar energy as its sole input. All of the electrical output from the facility will be sold to Duke Energy Progress, LLC.

c) No fuel supply arrangements are required for the Filo Solar, LLC facility.

Exhibit 2

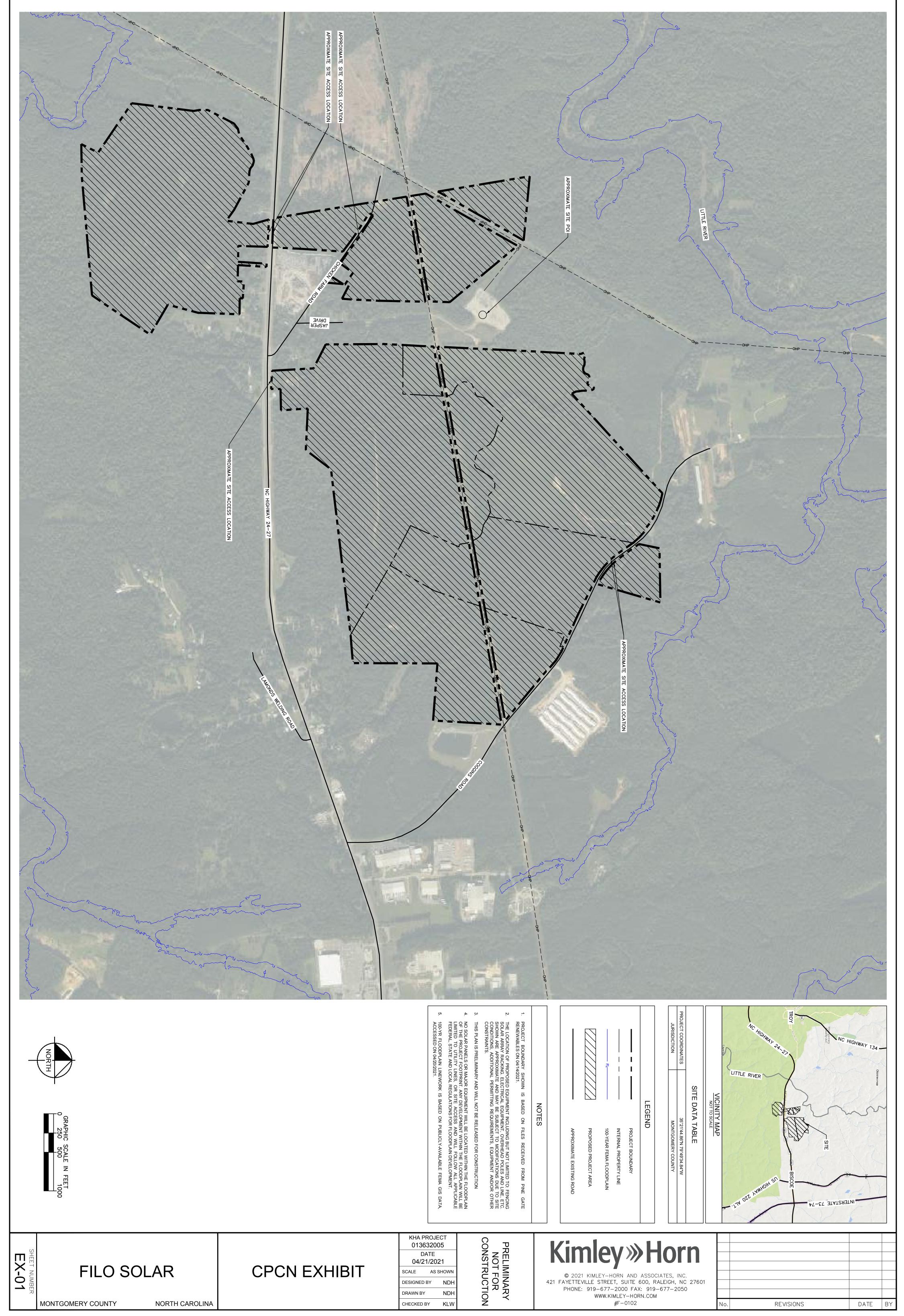


Exhibit 4

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC

OMB Control # 1902-0075 Expiration 11/30/2022

Form 556 Certification of Qualifying Facility (QF) Status for a Small Power Production or Cogeneration Facility

General

Questions about completing this form should be sent to Form556@ferc.gov. Information about the Commission's QF program, answers to frequently asked questions about QF requirements or completing this form, and contact information for QF program staff are available at the Commission's QF website, <u>www.ferc.gov/QF</u>. The Commission's QF website also provides links to the Commission's QF regulations (18 C.F.R. § 131.80 and Part 292), as well as other statutes and orders pertaining to the Commission's QF program.

Title 18, U.S.C. 1001 makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willingly to make to any Agency or Department of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

Who Must File

Certification:

Any applicant seeking QF status for a generating facility that has a net power production capacity (as determined in lines 7a through 7g below) greater than 1 MW must file a self-certification or an application for Commission certification of QF status, which includes a properly completed Form 556. Any applicant seeking QF status for a generating facility with a net power production capacity 1 MW or less is exempt from the certification requirement and is therefore not required to complete or file a Form 556. *See* 18 C.F.R. § 292.203. This includes any applicant seeking small power production QF status for a generating facility that, together with any affiliated small power production QFs that use the same energy resource and are within one mile of the filing facility, has a net power production capacity 1 MW or less.

Recertification:

A QF must file a recertification whenever the qualifying facility "fails to conform with any material facts or representations presented ... in its submittals to the Commission." 18 C.F.R. § 292.207(f).

Among other possible changes in material facts that would necessitate recertification, a small power production QF is required to recertify to update item 8a due to a change at an affiliated facility(ies) one mile or less from its electrical generating equipment. A small power production QF is *not* required to recertify due to a change at an affiliated facility(ies) listed in item 8a that is more than one mile but less than 10 miles away from its electrical generating equipment, unless that change also impacts any other entries on the Form 556.

How to Complete the Form 556

This form is intended to be completed by responding to the items in the order they are presented, according to the instructions given. If you need to back-track, you may need to clear certain responses before you will be allowed to change other responses made previously in the form. If you experience problems, click on the nearest help button (*i*) for assistance, or contact Commission staff at Form556@ferc.gov.

Certain lines in this form will be automatically calculated based on responses to previous lines, with the relevant formulas shown. You must respond to all of the previous lines within a section before the results of an automatically calculated field will be displayed. If you disagree with the results of any automatic calculation on this form, contact Commission staff at Form556@ferc.gov to discuss the discrepancy before filing.

You must complete all lines in this form unless instructed otherwise. Do not alter this form or save this form in a different format. Incomplete or altered forms, or forms saved in formats other than PDF, will be rejected.

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How to File a Completed Form 556

Applicants are required to file their Form 556 electronically through the Commission's eFiling website (see instructions on page 3). By filing electronically, you will reduce your filing burden, save paper resources, save postage or courier charges, help keep Commission expenses to a minimum, and receive a much faster confirmation (via an email containing the docket number assigned to your facility) that the Commission has received your filing.

If you are simultaneously filing both a waiver request and a Form 556 as part of an application for Commission certification, see the "Waiver Requests" section on page 4 for more information on how to file.

Paperwork Reduction Act Notice

This form is approved by the Office of Management and Budget. Compliance with the information requirements established by the FERC Form 556 is required to obtain or maintain status as a QF. *See* 18 C.F.R. § 131.80 and Part 292. An agency may not penalize a person for not complying with a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The estimated total burden for completing the FERC Form 556, including gathering and reporting information, is as follows: 1.5 hours for self-certifications of facilities of 1 MW or less; 1.5 hours for self-certifications of a cogeneration facility over 1 MW; 50 hours for applications for Commission certification of a cogeneration facility; 3.5 hours for self-certifications of small power producers over 1 MW and less than a mile or more than 10 miles from affiliated small power production QFs that use the same energy resource; 56 hours for an application for Commission certification of a small power production facility over 1 MW and less than a mile or more than 10 miles from affiliated small power production facility over 1 MW and less than a mile or more than 10 miles from affiliated small power production QFs that use the same energy resource; 9.5 hours for self-certifications of small power producers over 1 MW with affiliated small power production QFs more than one but less than 10 miles that use the same energy resource; 62 hours for an application for Commission certification of a small power production facility over 1 MW with affiliated small power production QFs more than 0 miles that use the same energy resource; 62 hours for an application for Commission certification of a small power production facility over 1 MW with affiliated small power production QFs more than 0 miles that use the same energy resource.

Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the following: Information Clearance Officer, Office of the Executive Director (ED-32), Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street N.E., Washington, DC 20426 (<u>DataClearance@ferc.gov</u>); and Desk Officer for FERC, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503 through <u>www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain</u>. Include FERC-556 and the Control No. 1902-0075 in any correspondence.

Filing Fee

No filing fee is required if you are submitting a self-certification or self-recertification of your facility as a QF pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 292.207(a).

A filing fee is required if you are filing either of the following:

(1) an application for Commission certification or recertification of your facility as a QF pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 292.207(b), or (2) a petition for declaratory order granting waiver pursuant to 18 C.F.R. §§ 292.204(a)(3) and/or 292.205(c).

The current fees for applications for Commission certifications and petitions for declaratory order can be found by visiting the Commission's QF website at <u>www.ferc.gov/QF</u> and clicking the Filing Fees link.

You will be prompted to submit your filing fee, if applicable, during the electronic filing process described on page 3.

Electronic Filing (eFiling)

To electronically file your Form 556, visit the Commission's QF website at <u>www.ferc.gov/QF</u> and click the eFiling link.

If you are eFiling your first document, you will need to register with your name, email address, mailing address, and phone number. If you are registering on behalf of an employer, then you will also need to provide the employer name, alternate contact name, alternate contact phone number and and alternate contact email.

Once you are registered, log in to eFiling with your registered email address and the password that you created at registration. Follow the instructions. When prompted, select one of the following QF-related filing types, as appropriate, from the Electric or General filing category.

| Filing category | Filing Type as listed in eFiling | Description |
|-----------------|--|---|
| | (Fee) Application for Commission Cert. as Cogeneration QF | Use to submit an application for Commission certification or Commission recertification of a cogeneration facility as a QF. |
| | (Fee) Application for Commission Cert. as Small Power QF | Use to submit an application for Commission certification or Commission recertification of a small power production facility as a QF. |
| | Self-Certification Notice (QF, EG, FC) | Use to submit a notice of self- certification of your facility (cogeneration or small power production) as a QF. |
| Electric | Self-Recertification of Qualifying Facility (QF) | Use to submit a notice of self- recertification of your facility (cogeneration or small power production) as a QF. |
| | Self-Recertification of Qualifying Facility (QF) (Supplement or Correction) | Use to correct or supplement a Form 556 that was submitted with errors or omissions, or for which Commission staff has requested additional information. Do <i>not</i> use this filing type to report new changes to a facility or its ownership; rather, use a self- recertification or Commission recertification to report such changes. |
| General | (Fee) Petition for Declaratory Order (not under FPA Part 1) | Use to submit a petition for declaratory order granting a waiver of Commission QF regulations pursuant to 18 C.F.R. §§ 292.204(a) (3) and/or 292.205(c). A Form 556 is not required for a petition for declaratory order unless Commission recertification is being requested as part of the petition. |

You will be prompted to submit your filing fee, if applicable, during the electronic submission process. Filing fees can be paid by check or money order via ACH Credit transfer, wire payment, courier, or mail.

During the eFiling process, you will be prompted to select your file(s) for upload from your computer.

Page 4 - Instructions

Required Notice to Utilities and State Regulatory Authorities

Pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 292.207(a)(ii), you must provide a copy of your self-certification or request for Commission certification to the utilities with which the facility will interconnect and/or transact, as well as to the State regulatory authorities of the states in which your facility and those utilities reside. Links to information about the regulatory authorities in various states can be found by visiting the Commission's QF website at www.ferc.gov/QF and clicking the Notice Requirements link.

What to Expect From the Commission After You File

An applicant filing a Form 556 electronically will receive an email message acknowledging receipt of the filing and showing the docket number assigned to the filing. Such email is typically sent within one business day, but may be delayed pending confirmation by the Secretary of the Commission of the contents of the filing.

An applicant submitting a self-certification of QF status should expect to receive no documents from the Commission, other than the electronic acknowledgement of receipt described above. Consistent with its name, a self-certification is a certification *by the applicant itself* that the facility meets the relevant requirements for QF status, and does not involve a determination by the Commission as to the status of the facility. An acknowledgement of receipt of a self-certification, in particular, does not represent a determination by the Commission with regard to the QF status of the facility. An applicant self-certifying may, however, receive a rejection, revocation or deficiency letter if its application is found, during periodic compliance reviews, not to comply with the relevant requirements.

An applicant submitting a request for Commission certification will receive an order either granting or denying certification of QF status, or a letter requesting additional information or rejecting the application. Pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 292.207(b)(3), the Commission must act on an application for Commission certification within 90 days of the later of the filing date of the application or the filing date of a supplement, amendment or other change to the application.

Protests to the Filing

Pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 292.207, an interested party has 30 days from the date of the filing of a self-certification or selfrecertification to intervene or file a protest. Protests may be made to an initial certification (both self-certification and application for Commission certification) filed on or after December 31, 2020, but only to a recertification (both selfrecertification and application for Commission recertification) that makes substantive changes to the existing certification and that is filed on or after December 31, 2020, as described in Order No. 872 (accessible from the Commission's QF website at www.ferc.gov/QF). Substantive changes that may be subject to a protest may include, for example, a change in electrical generating equipment that increases power production capacity by the greater of 1 MW or 5% of the previously certified capacity of the QF, or a change in ownership in which an owner increases its equity interest by at least 10% from the equity interest previously reported. The protestor must concurrently serve a copy of such filing pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.2011. Any response to a protest must be filed on or before 30 days from the date of filing of that protest.

Waiver Requests

18 C.F.R. § 292.204(a)(3) allows an applicant to request a waiver to modify the method of calculation pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 292.204(a)(2) to determine if two facilities are considered to be located at the same site, for good cause. 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(c) allows an applicant to request waiver of the requirements of 18 C.F.R. §§ 292.205(a) and (b) for operating and efficiency upon a showing that the facility will produce significant energy savings. A request for waiver of these requirements must be submitted as a petition for declaratory order, with the appropriate filing fee for a petition for declaratory order. Applicants requesting Commission recertification as part of a request for waiver of one of these requirements should electronically submit their completed Form 556 along with their petition for declaratory order, rather than filing their Form 556 as a separate request for Commission recertification. Only the filing fee for the petition for declaratory order must be paid to cover both the waiver request and the request for recertification *if such requests are made simultaneously*.

18 C.F.R. § 292.203(d)(2) allows an applicant to request a waiver of the Form 556 filing requirements, for good cause. Applicants filing a petition for declaratory order requesting a waiver under 18 C.F.R. § 292.203(d)(2) do not need to complete or submit a Form 556 with their petition.

Geographic Coordinates

Items 3c and 8a of the Form 556 require you to report your facility's (and certain neighboring facilities') geographic coordinates (latitude and longitude). Geographic coordinates may be obtained from several different sources. You can find links to online services that show latitude and longitude coordinates on online maps by visiting the Commission's QF webpage at <u>www.ferc.gov/QF</u>. You may also be able to obtain your geographic coordinates from a GPS device, Google Earth (available free at <u>http://earth.google.com</u>), a property survey, various engineering or construction drawings, a property deed, or a municipal or county map showing property lines.

Filing Privileged Data or Critical Energy Infrastructure Information in a Form 556

The Commission's regulations provide procedures for applicants to either (1) request that any information submitted with a Form 556 be given privileged treatment because the information is exempt from the mandatory public disclosure requirements of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and should be withheld from public disclosure; or (2) identify any documents containing critical energy infrastructure information (CEII) as defined in 18 C.F.R. § 388.113 that should not be made public.

If you are seeking privileged treatment or CEII status for any data in your Form 556, then you must follow the procedures in 18 C.F.R. § 388.112. See <u>www.ferc.gov/help/filing-guide/file-ceii.asp</u> for more information.

Among other things (see 18 C.F.R. § 388.112 for other requirements), applicants seeking privileged treatment or CEII status for data submitted in a Form 556 must prepare and file both (1) a complete version of the Form 556 (containing the privileged and/or CEII data), and (2) a public version of the Form 556 (with the privileged and/or CEII data redacted). Applicants preparing and filing these different versions of their Form 556 must indicate below the security designation of this version of their document. If you are *not* seeking privileged treatment or CEII status for any of your Form 556 data, then you should not respond to any of the items on this page.

Non-Public: Applicant is seeking privileged treatment and/or CEII status for data contained in the Form 556 lines indicated below. This non-public version of the applicant's Form 556 contains all data, including the data that is redacted in the (separate) public version of the applicant's Form 556.

Public (redacted): Applicant is seeking privileged treatment and/or CEII status for data contained in the Form 556 lines indicated below. This public version of the applicants's Form 556 contains all data <u>except</u> for data from the lines indicated below, which has been redacted.

Privileged: Indicate below which lines of your form contain data for which you are seeking privileged treatment

Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII): Indicate below which lines of your form contain data for which you are seeking CEII status

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Form 556 Certification of Qualifying Facility (QF) Status for a Small Power Production or Cogeneration Facility

| | <pre>1b Applicant street address 130 Roberts Street</pre> | | | | | | |
|---|--|---------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1c City | | | 1d State/provi | ince | | | |
| Asheville | | | NC | | | | |
| 1e Postal code 28801 | 1f Country (if not | United States) | | 1g Telephone number 704-376-2767 | | | |
| 1h Has the instant facility ever previously been certified as a QF? Yes No | | | | | | | |
| 1i If yes, provide | 1i If yes, provide the docket number of the last known QF filing pertaining to this facility: QF | | | | | | |
| 1j Under which | certification process is the a | pplicant making th | nis filing? | | | | |
| Notice of s (see note b | elf-certification elow) | A fe | pplication for Co ee; see "Filing Fee | ommission certification (requires filing e" section on page 2) | | | |
| QF status. A notice of se | Note: a notice of self-certification is a notice by the applicant itself that its facility complies with the requirements for QF status. A notice of self-certification does not establish a proceeding, and the Commission does not review a notice of self-certification to verify compliance. See the "What to Expect From the Commission After You File" section on page 4 for more information. | | | | | | |
| 1k What type(s) | of QF status is the applicant | seeking for its fac | ility? (check all th | nat apply) | | | |
| 🔀 Qualifying | small power production fac | ility status 🗌 🔾 | Jualifying cogene | eration facility status | | | |
| - | urpose and expected effectiv | | - | | | | |
| 🔀 Original c | ertification; facility expected | to be installed by | 8/1/25 ar | nd to begin operation on10/1/25 | | | |
| | to a previously certified faci | | | 24) | | | |
| | /pe(s) of change(s) below, ar hange and/or other adminis | - | e(s) in the Miscell | laneous section starting on page 24) | | | |
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| | Change in ownership Change (c) affecting plant againment fuel use never production sapasity and/or segeneration thermal output | | | | | | |
| Change(s) affecting plant equipment, fuel use, power production capacity and/or cogeneration thermal output | | | | | | | |
| Supplement or correction to a previous filing submitted on | | | | | | | |
| (describe the supplement or correction in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24) 1m If any of the following three statements is true, check the box(es) that describe your situation and complete the form to the extent possible, explaining any special circumstances in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24. | | | | | | | |
| previous | The instant facility complies with the Commission's QF requirements by virtue of a waiver of certain regulations previously granted by the Commission in an order dated orders in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24) | | | | | | |
| | nt facility would comply wit ntly with this application is <u>c</u> | | 's QF requiremen | its if a petition for waiver submitted | | | |
| employn | nent of unique or innovative | technologies not | contemplated by | special circumstances, such as the / the structure of this form, that make escribe in Misc. section starting on p. 24) | | | |

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| | 2a Name of contact person | | | 2b Telephone number |] 💈 | |
| | Ben Catt | | | 704-376-2767 | | |
| Contact Information | 2c Which of the following describes t | the contact person's relation | onship to the ap | blicant? (check one) | | |
| | Applicant (self) | oyee, owner or partner of a | applicant authori | zed to represent the applicant | | |
| | 🔀 Employee of a company affiliate | ed with the applicant auth | orized to represe | ent the applicant on this matter | | |
| | Lawyer, consultant, or other rep | presentative authorized to | represent the ap | oplicant on this matter | | |
| | 2d Company or organization name (| if applicant is an individua | al, check here and | skip to line 2e) | | |
| | Filo Solar, LLC | | | | | |
| | 2e Street address (if same as Applica | nt, check here and skip to | line 3a) 🗙 | | | |
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| on | | | | | | |
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| | 2h Postal code | 2i Country (if not United | States) | | 1 | |
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| | 3a Facility name | | | | 1 | |
| on | Filo Solar, LLC | | | | | |
| ati | 3b Street address (if a street address | does not exist for the faci | lity, check here a | nd skip to line 3c) 🔀 | | |
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| entification and Location | | convert to decimal degree | es from degrees, c Coordinates" so | the facility in degrees (to three decimal minutes and seconds: decimal degrees = ection on page 5 for help. 79.820 degrees West (-) | : | |
| <u> </u> | 3d City (if unincorporated, check her | re and enter nearest city) [| 🔀 3e State/pr | rovince | 1 | |
| Facility Iden | Biscoe | | North (| Carolina | | |
| ac | 3f County (or check here for indeper | ndent city) 3g | Country (if not | United States) | 1 | |
| | Montgomery | | | | | |
| | Identify the electric utilities that are contemplated to transact with the facility. | | | | | |
| es | 4a Identify utility interconnecting with the facility | | | | | |
| liti | Duke Energy Progress | | | | | |
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| sac | 4c Identify utilities purchasing the useful electric power output or check here if none Duke Energy Progress | | | | | |
| Transacting Utilities | 4d Identify utilities providing supplementary power, backup power, maintenance power, and/or interruptible power service or check here if none | | | | | |
| 1 - | Duke Energy Progress | | | | | |
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| two direct owners with the largest equity intere Full legal names of di | Electric utility or If holding % e | lf Ye 6 eq nter |
|---|--|--|
| 1) Filo Solar, LLC | Yes 🔀 No 🗌 | 1 |
| 2) | | |
| 3) | | |
| 4) | | |
| 5) | | |
| 6) | Yes No | |
| 7) | | |
| 8) | Yes 🗌 No 🗌 | |
| 9) | Yes No | |
| 10) | Yes No | |
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| | 6a | Describe the primary energy input: (| check one ma | ain category and, if applicable, | , one subcategory) | | | | |
| | | Biomass (specify) | R | enewable resources (specify) | Geothermal | | | | |
| | | Landfill gas | | Hydro power - river | Fossil fuel (specify) | | | | |
| | | Manure digester gas | | 🗌 Hydro power - tidal | Coal (not waste) | | | | |
| | | Municipal solid waste | | Hydro power - wave | Fuel oil/diesel | | | | |
| | | Sewage digester gas | | 🛛 Solar - photovoltaic | Natural gas (not waste) | | | | |
| | | U Wood | | 🗌 Solar - thermal | Other fossil fuel | | | | |
| | | Other biomass (describe or | n page 24) | □ Wind | └┘ (describe on page 24) | | | | |
| | | Waste (specify type below in line | 6b) | Other renewable resource (describe on page 24) | e 🔄 Other (describe on page 24) | | | | |
| | 6b | If you specified "waste" as the prima | of waste fuel used: (check one) | | | | | | |
| | | Waste fuel listed in 18 C.F.R. § 292.202(b) (specify one of the following) | | | | | | | |
| | | Anthracite culm produced prior to July 23, 1985 | | | | | | | |
| | | Anthracite refuse that hat a ash content of 45 percent | - | heat content of 6,000 Btu or le | ess per pound and has an average | | | | |
| | | Bituminous coal refuse th average ash content of 2 | | | u per pound or less and has an | | | | |
| nput | | Top or bottom subbituminous coal produced on Federal lands or on Indian lands that has been determined to be waste by the United States Department of the Interior's Bureau of Land Management (BLM) or that is located on non-Federal or non-Indian lands outside of BLM's jurisdiction, provided that the applicant shows that the latter coal is an extension of that determined by BLM to be waste | | | | | | | |
| Energy Input | | Coal refuse produced on Federal lands or on Indian lands that has been determined to be waste by the BLM or that is located on non-Federal or non-Indian lands outside of BLM's jurisdiction, provided that applicant shows that the latter is an extension of that determined by BLM to be waste | | | | | | | |
| ш | | \Box Lignite produced in association \Box as a result of such a minir | | he production of montan wax | and lignite that becomes exposed | | | | |
| | | Gaseous fuels (except nat | ural gas and | synthetic gas from coal) (desc | cribe on page 24) | | | | |
| | | Waste natural gas from gas or oil wells (describe on page 24 how the gas meets the requirements of 18 C.F.R. § 2.400 for waste natural gas; include with your filing any materials necessary to demonstrate compliance with 18 C.F.R. § 2.400) | | | | | | | |
| | | Materials that a governm | ent agency h | as certified for disposal by cor | mbustion (describe on page 24) | | | | |
| | | Heat from exothermic real | actions (desc | ribe on page 24) | Residual heat (describe on page 24) | | | | |
| | | Used rubber tires | Plastic ma | aterials 🛛 🗌 Refinery o | off-gas 🛛 🗌 Petroleum coke | | | | |
| | Other waste energy input that has little or no commercial value and exists in the absence of the qualifying facility industry (describe in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24; include a discussion of the fuel's lack of commercial value and existence in the absence of the qualifying facility industry) | | | | | | | | |
| | 6c Provide the average energy input, calculated on a calendar year basis, in terms of Btu/h for the following fossil fu energy inputs, and provide the related percentage of the total average annual energy input to the facility (18 C.F. 292.202(j)). For any oil or natural gas fuel, use lower heating value (18 C.F.R. § 292.202(m)). | | | | | | | | |
| | | Fuel | | nual average energy out for specified fuel | Percentage of total annual energy input | | | | |
| | | Natural gas | | 0 Btu/h | 0 % | | | | |
| | | Oil-based fuels | | 0 Btu/h | 0 % | | | | |
| | | Coal | | 0 Btu/h | 0 % | | | | |

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under the most favorable anticipated design conditions **7b** Parasitic station power used at the facility to run equipment which is necessary and integral to the power production process (boiler feed pumps, fans/blowers, office or maintenance buildings directly related to the operation of the power generating facility, etc.). If this facility includes nonpower production processes (for instance, power consumed by a cogeneration facility's thermal host), do not include any power consumed by the non-power production activities in your reported parasitic station power.

| reported parasitic station power. | 0 kW |
|--|--------------------|
| 7c Electrical losses in interconnection transformers | |
| | 0 kW |
| 7d Electrical losses in AC/DC conversion equipment, if any | |
| | 32,000 kW |
| 7e Other interconnection losses in power lines or facilities (other than transformers and AC/DC | |
| conversion equipment) between the terminals of the generator(s) and the point of interconnection | |
| with the utility | 0 kW |
| 7f Total deductions from gross power production capacity = $7b + 7c + 7d + 7e$ | |
| | 32,000.0 kW |

7g Maximum net power production capacity = 7a - 7f

80,000.0 kW

7h Description of facility and primary components: Describe the facility and its operation. Identify all boilers, heat recovery steam generators, prime movers (any mechanical equipment driving an electric generator), electrical generators, photovoltaic solar equipment, fuel cell equipment and/or other primary power generation equipment used in the facility. Descriptions of components should include (as applicable) specifications of the nominal capacities for mechanical output, electrical output, or steam generation of the identified equipment. For each piece of equipment identified, clearly indicate how many pieces of that type of equipment are included in the plant, and which components are normally operating or normally in standby mode. Provide a description of how the components operate as a system. Applicants for cogeneration facilities do not need to describe operations of systems that are clearly depicted on and easily understandable from a cogeneration facility's attached mass and heat balance diagram; however, such applicants should provide any necessary description needed to understand the sequential operation of the facility depicted in their mass and heat balance diagram. If additional space is needed, continue in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24.

This is a 80,000 KW AC facility located in Montgomery County, North Carolina. The facility will utilize PV modules. The PV modules will be connected to inverters. The Inverters will connected to a transformer. This project will sell all generated power and solar renewable credits to Duke Energy Progress.

Information Required for Small Power Production Facility

If you indicated in line 1k that you are seeking qualifying small power production facility status for your facility, then you must respond to the items on this page. Otherwise, skip pages 11 through 15.

Pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 292.204(a), the power production capacity of any small power production facility, together with the power production capacity of any other small power production facilities that use the same energy resource, are owned by the same person(s) or its affiliates, and are located at the same site, may not exceed 80 megawatts. To demonstrate compliance with this size limitation, or to demonstrate that your facility is exempt from this size limitation under the Solar, Wind, Waste, and Geothermal Power Production Incentives Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-575, 104 Stat. 2834 (1990) *as amended by* Pub. L. 102-46, 105 Stat. 249 (1991)), respond to lines 8a through 8f below (as applicable).

Electric Generating Equipment

Electrical generating equipment will refer to all boilers, heat recovery steam generators, prime movers (any mechanical equipment driving an electric generator), electrical generators, photovoltaic solar panels, inverters, fuel cell equipment and/or other primary power generation equipment used in the facility, excluding equipment for gathering energy to be used in the facility. Each wind turbine on a wind farm and each solar panel in a solar facility is considered electrical generating equipment because each wind turbine and each solar panel is independently capable of producing electric energy.

Distance

Certification of Compliance with Size Limitations

The distance between two facilities is to be measured from the edge of the closest electrical generating equipment for which qualification or recertification is sought to the edge of the nearest electrical generating equipment of the other affiliated small power production qualifying facility using the same energy resource. An affiliated small power production QF located one mile or less from the instant facility is irrebuttably presumed to be at the same site. An affiliated small power production QF located more than one mile and less than 10 miles from the instant facility is rebuttably presumed to be at a separate site. An affiliated small power production QF located 10 miles or more from the instant facility is irrebuttably presumed to be located at a separate site.

8a Identify affiliated small power production QFs located less than 10 miles from the electrical generating equipment of the instant facility that use the same energy resource and are held (with at least a 5 percent equity interest) by any of the entities identified in lines 5a or 5b or their affiliates. Specify the latitude and longitude coordinates for both the applicant and the affiliate small power production QF based on the nearest electrical generating equipment for each facility. Report coordinates in degrees (to three decimal places) as a positive number for east and north or a negative number for west and south. Use the following formula to convert to decimal degrees from degrees, minutes and seconds: decimal degrees = degrees + (minutes/60) + (seconds/3600). See the "Geographic Coordinates" section on page 5 for help obtaining coordinates. The distances for each facility listed below will be automatically calculated from the reported coordinates. See <u>www.ferc.gov/QF</u> for more information on how this form calculates distance.

| Check here if no such facilities exist. | |
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| | |

| | Facility location (city or county, state) | Root docket # (if any) | Maximum net power production capacity | Common owner(s) |
|----|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| | Montgomery County, NC | QF <u>18</u> - <u>1745</u> | 68,585.4 kW | Pine Gate Renewabl |
| | Coordinates (in degrees) and Dista | nce (miles): | | |
| 1) | Closest electrical generating equip | ment for applicant's | facility: | |
| | Latitude 35.332 North (+) | Longitude 79.7 | 730 West (-) | |
| | Closest electrical generating equip | ment for affiliate's fa | cility: | Distance |
| | Latitude 35.362 North (+) | Longitude 79.8 | 320 West (-) | 5.48 miles |

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| | Facility loc (city or count | | Root docket # (if any) | | n net power ion capacity | Common ow | /ner(s) |
|----|---|----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|--------------|---------|
| | Montgomery Cou | - | QF 16 - 1037 | | 4,990 kW | Pine Gate Re | |
| | Coordinates (in deg | rees) and Distan | nce (miles): | | | | |
| 2) | Closest electrical ge | nerating equipr | nent for applicant's | facility: | | | |
| | Latitude 35.273 | North (+) | Longitude 79. | 736 | West (-) | | |
| | Closest electrical ge | nerating equipr | ment for affiliate's fa | acility: | | Distance | |
| | Latitude 35.362 | North (+) | Longitude 79.8 | - | West (-) | 7.76 | mile |
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| | Facility loc (city or count | | Root docket # (if any) | | n net power ion capacity | Common ow | /ner(s) |
| | | | QF | | | | |
| | Coordinates (in deg | rees) and Distan | nce (miles): | | | | |
| 3) | Closest electrical ge | nerating equipr | ment for applicant's | facility: | | | |
| | Latitude | Choose +/- | Longitude | | Choose +/- | | |
| | Closest electrical generating equipment for affiliate's facility: | | | Distance | e | | |
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| | Facility loc (city or count | ty, state) | Root docket # (if any) QF | product | m net power ion capacity kW | Common ow | /ner(s) |
| 4) | Coordinates (in deg | | | ¢ | | | |
| 7) | Closest electrical ge Latitude | | | • | Choose +/- | | |
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| | Closest electrical ge | | | · | | Distance | e |
| | Latitude | Choose +/- | Longitude | | Choose +/- | 0 | miles |
| | Facility loc (city or count | tation ty, state) | Root docket # | product | m net power ion capacity kW | Common ow | |
| | QF kW Coordinates (in degrees) and Distance (miles): | | | | | | |
| 5) | Closest electrical generating equipment for applicant's facility: | | | | | | |
| | Latitude | | Longitude | | Choose +/- | | |
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| | | v location punty, state) | Root docket # (if any) QF | Maximum net power production capacity kW | Common owner(s) |
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| | Coordinates (in o | degrees) and Distan | ce (miles): | | |
| 6) | Closest electrica | l generating equipm | nent for applicant's | facility: | |
| | Latitude | Choose +/- | Longitude | Choose +/- | |
| | Closest electrica | l generating equipn | nent for affiliate's fa | acility: | Distance |
| | Latitude | Choose +/- | Longitude | Choose +/- | <u>0 m</u> |
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| | | | QF | kW | |
| | Coordinates (in o | degrees) and Distan | ce (miles): | | |
| 7) | | l generating equipm | | | |
| | Latitude | Choose +/- | Longitude | Choose +/- | |
| | Closest electrical generating equipment for affiliate's facility: Distance | | | | |
| | Latitude | Choose +/- | Longitude | Choose +/- | 0 m |
| | | v location punty, state) | Root docket # (if any) QF | Maximum net power production capacity kW | Common owner(s) |
| | Coordinates (in o | degrees) and Distan | ce (miles): | | |
| 8) | Closest electrica | l generating equipm | nent for applicant's | facility: | |
| | Latitude | Choose +/- | Longitude | Choose +/- | |
| | Closest electrica | l generating equipn | nent for affiliate's fa | acility: | Distance |
| | Latitude | Choose +/- | Longitude | Choose +/- | <u> </u> |
| | | v location ounty, state) | Root docket # (if any) | Maximum net power production capacity | Common owner(s) |
| | | | QF | kW | |
| | Coordinates (in o | degrees) and Distan | ce (miles): | | |
| 9) | Closest electrica | l generating equipm | nent for applicant's | facility: | |
| | Latitude | Choose +/- | Longitude | Choose +/- | |
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| | Closest electrica | l generating equipn | nent for affiliate's fa | acility: | Distance |

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| | Facility location (city or county, state) | Root docket # (if any) QF - | Maximum net power production capacity kW | Common owner(s) |
| | Coordinates (in degrees) and | | | |
| 10) | _ | | - C - 111 | |
| | Closest electrical generating | | Choose +/- | |
| | Latitude Cho | ose +/- Longitude | Choose +/- | |
| | Closest electrical generating | equipment for affiliate's f | acility: | Distance |
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| Dist | Check here and continue in the calculator below below telow telow telow telow telow telow telow below telow telow below telow telow telow below telow | o calculate distances base | ed on facility coordinates. | |
| deg Use deg coo | ver production QF based on the rees (to three decimal places) the following formula to converges + (minutes/60) + (second rdinates. The distances for ea | as a positive number for e vert to decimal degrees fro ls/3600). See the "Geogra ch facility listed below will | east and north or a negative om degrees, minutes and se phic Coordinates" section c I be automatically calculate | e number for west and south. econds: decimal degrees = on page 5 for help obtaining ed from the reported |
| | rdinates. See <u>www.ferc.gov/</u> Closest electrical generating e | | | distance. |
| | Closest electrical generating e | | | distance. |
| | Closest electrical generating e Latitude Cho | quipment for applicant's f ose +/- Longitude | facility (degrees): Choose +/- | |
| | Closest electrical generating e Latitude Cho Closest electrical generating e | quipment for applicant's f ose +/- Longitude quipment for affiliate's fac | facility (degrees): Choose +/- cility (degrees): | Distance |
| | Closest electrical generating e Latitude Cho Closest electrical generating e | quipment for applicant's f ose +/- Longitude | facility (degrees): Choose +/- cility (degrees): | |
| 8 b | Closest electrical generating e Latitude Cho Closest electrical generating e Latitude Cho You have the option below to | quipment for applicant's f ose +/- Longitude quipment for affiliate's fac ose +/- Longitude assert preemptively that same energy resource motion | facility (degrees): Choose +/- cility (degrees): Choose +/- your facility is at a separate re than one mile but less th | Distance 0 miles e site from affiliated small an 10 miles from your facility. |

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| | 3b Continued | |
| 5 | (continued from previous page) in the same location, placed into service within 12 months of an affiliated small power production QF project's commercial operation date as specified in the power sales agreement, or sharing engineering or procurement contracts. | |
| | QF18-1745 and QF16-1037 are not located at the same site as the applicant's Eacility. The facilities are located on separate real estate parcels, owned by different landowners, and leased at different times, under different agreements in addition, they do not share any access or easements. Each facility either has by will go through the zoning and permitting process separate from the other Eacilities. | s. |
| | 2F18-1745 and QF16-1037 have separate interconnection agreements, while the applicant does not have an interconnection agreement. The facilities will not share a point of interconnection, control facilities, transformers, or any collector systems. | |
| | All three facilities will have separate offtake agreements. QF18-1745 executed an offtake agreement on September 6, 2019, and QF16-1037 executed an offtake agreement on August 12, 2020, while the applicant currently doesn't have an offtake agreement. | |
| | Construction is expected to commence October 1, 2021, for QF18-1745 and started September 21, 2020, for QF16-1037. Construction will not commence until 2025 for the applicant. Financing will occur during separate times. Each facility will undergo separate financing processes. | or |
| | In light of the foregoing, the three facilities in question are not, and should not be deemed to be located at a single site. | a |
| | Bc The Solar, Wind, Waste, and Geothermal Power Production Incentives Act of 1990 (Incentives Act) provides exemption from the size limitations in 18 C.F.R. § 292.204(a) for certain facilities that were certified prior to 1995. Are you seeking exemption from the size limitations in 18 C.F.R. § 292.204(a) by virtue of the Incentives Act? | |
| 5 | Yes (continue at line 8d below) | |
| | Bd Was the original notice of self-certification or application for Commission certification of the facility filed on or before December 31, 1994? Yes No | r |
| 5 | Be Did construction of the facility commence on or before December 31, 1999? Yes No | |
| | If you answered No in line 8e, indicate whether reasonable diligence was exercised toward the completion of he facility, taking into account all factors relevant to construction? Yes No | |
| | If you answered Yes, provide a brief narrative explanation in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24 of the construction timeline (in particular, describe why construction started so long after the facility was certified) and t liligence exercised toward completion of the facility. | |
| with Fuel Use Requirements | Pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 292.204(b), qualifying small power production facilities may use fossil fuels, in minimal mounts, for only the following purposes: ignition; start-up; testing; flame stabilization; control use; alleviation or prevention of unanticipated equipment outages; and alleviation or prevention of emergencies, directly affecting he public health, safety, or welfare, which would result from electric power outages. The amount of fossil fuels used for these purposes may not exceed 25 percent of the total energy input of the facility during the 12-month period beginning with the date the facility first produces electric energy or any calendar year thereafter. | |
| | a Certification of compliance with 18 C.F.R. § 292.204(b) with respect to uses of fossil fuel: | |
| Use | Applicant certifies that the facility will use fossil fuels <i>exclusively</i> for the purposes listed above. | |
| Jel | b Certification of compliance with 18 C.F.R. § 292.204(b) with respect to amount of fossil fuel used annually: | |
| with Fu | Applicant certifies that the amount of fossil fuel used at the facility will not, in aggregate, exceed 25 percent of the total energy input of the facility during the 12-month period beginning with the date the facility first produces electric energy or any calendar year thereafter. | |

Certification of Compliance

Information Required for Cogeneration Facility

If you indicated in line 1k that you are seeking qualifying cogeneration facility status for your facility, then you must respond to the items on pages 16 through 18. Otherwise, skip pages 16 through 18.

| | energy (such as heat or s use of energy. Pursuant cycle cogeneration facili thermal application or p | 92.202(c), a cogeneration facility produces electric energy and forms of useful thermal steam) used for industrial, commercial, heating, or cooling purposes, through the sequential to 18 C.F.R. § 292.202(s), "sequential use" of energy means the following: (1) for a topping-ty, the use of reject heat from a power production process in sufficient amounts in a rocess to conform to the requirements of the operating standard contained in 18 C.F.R. § ottoming-cycle cogeneration facility, the use of at least some reject heat from a thermal or power production. |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| | 10a What type(s) of cog | eneration technology does the facility represent? (check all that apply) |
| | Topping-cycle | cogeneration Bottoming-cycle cogeneration |
| | other requirements balance diagram de meet certain requir | te the sequential operation of the cogeneration process, and to support compliance with s such as the operating and efficiency standards, include with your filing a mass and heat epicting average annual operating conditions. This diagram must include certain items and ements, as described below. You must check next to the description of each requirement at you have complied with these requirements. |
| | Check to certify compliance with | |
| | indicated requirement | Requirement |
| ration | | Diagram must show orientation within system piping and/or ducts of all prime movers, heat recovery steam generators, boilers, electric generators, and condensers (as applicable), as well as any other primary equipment relevant to the cogeneration process. |
| gene | | Any average annual values required to be reported in lines 10b, 12a, 13a, 13b, 13d, 13f, 14a, 15b, 15d and/or 15f must be computed over the anticipated hours of operation. |
| General Cogeneration Information | | Diagram must specify all fuel inputs by fuel type and average annual rate in Btu/h. Fuel for supplementary firing should be specified separately and clearly labeled. All specifications of fuel inputs should use lower heating values. |
| iene | | Diagram must specify average gross electric output in kW or MW for each generator. |
| 9 | | Diagram must specify average mechanical output (that is, any mechanical energy taken off of the shaft of the prime movers for purposes not directly related to electric power generation) in horsepower, if any. Typically, a cogeneration facility has no mechanical output. |
| | | At each point for which working fluid flow conditions are required to be specified (see below), such flow condition data must include mass flow rate (in lb/h or kg/s), temperature (in °F, R, °C or K), absolute pressure (in psia or kPa) and enthalpy (in Btu/lb or kJ/kg). Exception: For systems where the working fluid is <i>liquid only</i> (no vapor at any point in the cycle) and where the type of liquid and specific heat of that liquid are clearly indicated on the diagram or in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24, only mass flow rate and temperature (not pressure and enthalpy) need be specified. For reference, specific heat at standard conditions for pure liquid water is approximately 1.002 Btu/ (lb*R) or 4.195 kJ/(kg*K). |
| | | Diagram must specify working fluid flow conditions at input to and output from each steam turbine or other expansion turbine or back-pressure turbine. |
| | | Diagram must specify working fluid flow conditions at delivery to and return from each thermal application. |
| | | Diagram must specify working fluid flow conditions at make-up water inputs. |

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EPAct 2005 Requirements for Fundamental Use

| | qualifying cogeneration facility that (1) is seeking to sell electric energy pursuant to section 210 of PURPA and (2) was either not a cogeneration facility on August 8, 2005, or had not filed a self-certification or application for Commission certification of QF status on or before February 1, 2006. These requirements were implemented by the Commission in 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d). Complete the lines below, carefully following the instructions, to demonstrate whether these additional requirements apply to your cogeneration facility and, if so, whether your facility complies with such requirements. | OFFICIAL |
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| | 11a Was your facility operating as a qualifying cogeneration facility on or before August 8, 2005? Yes No | i |
| | 11b Was the initial filing seeking certification of your facility (whether a notice of self-certification or an application for Commission certification) filed on or before February 1, 2006? Yes No | C K |
| S | If the answer to either line 11a or 11b is Yes, then continue at line 11c below. Otherwise, if the answers to both lines 11a and 11b are No, skip to line 11e below. | N 14 2026 |
| acilitie | 11c With respect to the design and operation of the facility, have any changes been implemented on or after February 2, 2006 that affect general plant operation, affect use of thermal output, and/or increase net power production capacity from the plant's capacity on February 1, 2006? | |
| пF | Yes (continue at line 11d below) | |
| neratio | No. Your facility is not subject to the requirements of 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d) at this time. However, it may be subject to to these requirements in the future if changes are made to the facility. At such time, the applicant would need to recertify the facility to determine eligibility. Skip lines 11d through 11j. | |
| oger | 11d Does the applicant contend that the changes identified in line 11c are not so significant as to make the facility a "new" cogeneration facility that would be subject to the 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d) cogeneration requirements? | i |
| Energy Output from Cogeneration Facilities | Yes. Provide in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24 a description of any relevant changes made to the facility (including the purpose of the changes) and a discussion of why the facility should not be considered a "new" cogeneration facility in light of these changes. Skip lines 11e through 11j. | |
| utput | No. Applicant stipulates to the fact that it is a "new" cogeneration facility (for purposes of determining the applicability of the requirements of 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)) by virtue of modifications to the facility that were initiated on or after February 2, 2006. Continue below at line 11e. | |
| уО | 11e Will electric energy from the facility be sold pursuant to section 210 of PURPA? | i |
| nerg | Yes. The facility is an EPAct 2005 cogeneration facility. You must demonstrate compliance with 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(2) by continuing at line 11f below. | |
| of E | No. Applicant certifies that energy will <i>not</i> be sold pursuant to section 210 of PURPA. Applicant also certifies its understanding that it must recertify its facility in order to determine compliance with the requirements of 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d) <i>before</i> selling energy pursuant to section 210 of PURPA in the future. Skip lines 11f through 11j. | |
| | 11f Is the net power production capacity of your cogeneration facility, as indicated in line 7g above, less than or equal to 5,000 kW? | i |
| | Yes, the net power production capacity is less than or equal to 5,000 kW. 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(4) provides a rebuttable presumption that cogeneration facilities of 5,000 kW and smaller capacity comply with the requirements for fundamental use of the facility's energy output in 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(2). Applicant certifies its understanding that, should the power production capacity of the facility increase above 5,000 kW, then the facility must be recertified to (among other things) demonstrate compliance with 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(2). Skip lines 11g through 11j. | |
| | No, the net power production capacity is greater than 5,000 kW. Demonstrate compliance with the requirements for fundamental use of the facility's energy output in 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(2) by continuing on the next page at line 11g. | |

EPAct 2005 cogeneration facilities: The Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct 2005) established a new section 210(n) of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA), 16 USC 824a-3(n), with additional requirements for any

Lines 11g through 11k below guide the applicant through the process of demonstrating compliance with the requirements for "fundamental use" of the facility's energy output. 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(2). Only respond to the lines on this page if the instructions on the previous page direct you to do so. Otherwise, skip this page.

18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(2) requires that the electrical, thermal, chemical and mechanical output of an EPAct 2005 cogeneration facility is used fundamentally for industrial, commercial, residential or institutional purposes and is not intended fundamentally for sale to an electric utility, taking into account technological, efficiency, economic, and variable thermal energy requirements, as well as state laws applicable to sales of electric energy from a qualifying facility to its host facility. If you were directed on the previous page to respond to the items on this page, then your facility is an EPAct 2005 cogeneration facility that is subject to this "fundamental use" requirement.

The Commission's regulations provide a two-pronged approach to demonstrating compliance with the requirements for fundamental use of the facility's energy output. First, the Commission has established in 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(3) a "fundamental use test" that can be used to demonstrate compliance with 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(2). Under the fundamental use test, a facility is considered to comply with 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(2) if at least 50 percent of the facility's total annual energy output (including electrical, thermal, chemical and mechanical energy output) is used for industrial, commercial, residential or institutional purposes.

Second, an applicant for a facility that does not pass the fundamental use test may provide a narrative explanation of and support for its contention that the facility nonetheless meets the requirement that the electrical, thermal, chemical and mechanical output of an EPAct 2005 cogeneration facility is used fundamentally for industrial, commercial, residential or institutional purposes and is not intended fundamentally for sale to an electric utility, taking into account technological, efficiency, economic, and variable thermal energy requirements, as well as state laws applicable to sales of electric energy from a qualifying facility to its host facility.

Complete lines 11g through 11j below to determine compliance with the fundamental use test in 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(3). Complete lines 11g through 11j *even if you do not intend to rely upon the fundamental use test to demonstrate compliance with 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(2).*

| 11g Amount of electrical, thermal, chemical and mechanical energy output (net of internal | | |
|---|-----|-----|
| generation plant losses and parasitic loads) expected to be used annually for industrial, | | |
| commercial, residential or institutional purposes and not sold to an electric utility | N | ЛWh |
| 11h Total amount of electrical, thermal, chemical and mechanical energy expected to be | | |
| sold to an electric utility | N | ЛWh |
| 11i Percentage of total annual energy output expected to be used for industrial, | | |
| commercial, residential or institutional purposes and not sold to a utility | | |
| = 100 * 11g /(11g + 11h) | 0 % | 6 |
| | | |

11j Is the response in line 11i greater than or equal to 50 percent?

Yes. Your facility complies with 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(2) by virtue of passing the fundamental use test provided in 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(3). Applicant certifies its understanding that, if it is to rely upon passing the fundamental use test as a basis for complying with 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(2), then the facility must comply with the fundamental use test both in the 12-month period beginning with the date the facility first produces electric energy, and in all subsequent calendar years.

No. Your facility does not pass the fundamental use test. Instead, you must provide in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24 a narrative explanation of and support for why your facility meets the requirement that the electrical, thermal, chemical and mechanical output of an EPAct 2005 cogeneration facility is used fundamentally for industrial, commercial, residential or institutional purposes and is not intended fundamentally for sale to an electric utility, taking into account technological, efficiency, economic, and variable thermal energy requirements, as well as state laws applicable to sales of electric energy from a QF to its host facility. Applicants providing a narrative explanation of why their facility should be found to comply with 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(d)(2) in spite of non-compliance with the fundamental use test may want to review paragraphs 47 through 61 of Order No. 671 (accessible from the Commission's QF website at www.ferc.gov/QF), which provide discussion of the facts and circumstances that may support their explanation. Applicant should also note that the percentage reported above will establish the standard that that facility must comply with, both for the 12-month period beginning with the date the facility first produces electric energy, and in all subsequent calendar years. *See* Order No. 671 at paragraph 51. As such, the applicant should make sure that it reports appropriate values on lines 11g and 11h above to serve as the relevant annual standard, taking into account expected variations in production conditions.

Usefulness of Topping-Cycle Thermal Output

Information Required for Topping-Cycle Cogeneration Facility

If you indicated in line 10a that your facility represents topping-cycle cogeneration technology, then you must respond to the items on pages 19 and 20. Otherwise, skip pages 19 and 20.

The thermal energy output of a topping-cycle cogeneration facility is the net energy made available to an industrial or commercial process or used in a heating or cooling application. Pursuant to sections 292.202(c), (d) and (h) of the Commission's regulations (18 C.F.R. §§ 292.202(c), (d) and (h)), the thermal energy output of a qualifying topping-cycle cogeneration facility must be useful. In connection with this requirement, describe the thermal output of the topping-cycle cogeneration facility by responding to lines 12a and 12b below.

12a Identify and describe each thermal host, and specify the annual average rate of thermal output made available to each host for each use. For hosts with multiple uses of thermal output, provide the data for each use *in separate rows*.

| | Name of entity (thermal host) taking thermal output | Thermal host's relationship to facility; Thermal host's use of thermal output | thermal output attributable to use (net of heat contained in process return or make-up water) |
|-----|--|--|--|
| 1) | | Select thermal host's relationship to facility | |
| 1) | | Select thermal host's use of thermal output | Btu/h |
| 2) | | Select thermal host's relationship to facility | |
| ~) | | Select thermal host's use of thermal output | Btu/h |
| 3) | | Select thermal host's relationship to facility | - |
| 5) | | Select thermal host's use of thermal output | Btu/h |
| 4) | | Select thermal host's relationship to facility | - |
| -+) | | Select thermal host's use of thermal output | Btu/h |
| 5) | | Select thermal host's relationship to facility | - |
| 5) | | Select thermal host's use of thermal output | Btu/h |
| 6) | | Select thermal host's relationship to facility | |
| 0) | | Select thermal host's use of thermal output | Btu/h |

Check here and continue in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24 if additional space is needed

12b Demonstration of usefulness of thermal output: At a minimum, provide a brief description of each use of the thermal output identified above. In some cases, this brief description is sufficient to demonstrate usefulness. However, if your facility's use of thermal output is not common, and/or if the usefulness of such thermal output is not reasonably clear, then you must provide additional details as necessary to demonstrate usefulness. Your application may be rejected and/or additional information may be required if an insufficient showing of usefulness is made. (Exception: If you have previously received a Commission certification approving a specific use of thermal output related to the instant facility, then you need only provide a brief description of that use and a reference by date and docket number to the order certifying your facility with the indicated use. Such exemption may not be used if any change creates a material deviation from the previously authorized use.) If additional space is needed, continue in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24.

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Applicants for facilities representing topping-cycle technology must demonstrate compliance with the topping-cycle operating standard and, if applicable, efficiency standard. Section 292.205(a)(1) of the Commission's regulations (18 C.F.R. § 292.205(a)(1)) establishes the operating standard for topping-cycle cogeneration facilities: the useful thermal energy output must be no less than 5 percent of the total energy output. Section 292.205(a)(2) (18 C.F.R. § 292.205(a)(2)) establishes the efficiency standard for topping-cycle cogeneration facilities for which installation commenced on or after March 13, 1980: the useful power output of the facility plus one-half the useful thermal energy output must (A) be no less than 42.5 percent of the total energy input of natural gas and oil to the facility; and (B) if the useful thermal energy output is less than 15 percent of the total energy output of the facility, be no less than 45 percent of the total energy input of natural gas and oil to the facility. To demonstrate compliance with the topping-cycle operating and/or efficiency standards, or to demonstrate that your facility is exempt from the efficiency standard based on the date that installation commenced, respond to lines 13a through 13l below.

If you indicated in line 10a that your facility represents *both* topping-cycle and bottoming-cycle cogeneration technology, then respond to lines 13a through 13l below considering only the energy inputs and outputs attributable to the topping-cycle portion of your facility. Your mass and heat balance diagram must make clear which mass and energy flow values and system components are for which portion (topping or bottoming) of the cogeneration system.

| 13a Indicate the annual average rate of useful thermal energy output made available | |
|--|-------------------------------|
| to the host(s), net of any heat contained in condensate return or make-up water | Btu |
| 13b Indicate the annual average rate of net electrical energy output | |
| | kW |
| 13c Multiply line 13b by 3,412 to convert from kW to Btu/h | |
| | 0 Btu |
| 13d Indicate the annual average rate of mechanical energy output taken directly off | |
| of the shaft of a prime mover for purposes not directly related to power production | |
| (this value is usually zero) | hp |
| 13e Multiply line 13d by 2,544 to convert from hp to Btu/h | 110 |
| | 0 Btu |
| 13f Indicate the annual average rate of energy input from natural gas and oil | O Btu |
| TST indicate the annual average rate of energy input from hatural gas and on | D. |
| | Btu |
| 13g Topping-cycle operating value = 100 * 13a / (13a + 13c + 13e) | |
| | 0 % |
| 13h Topping-cycle efficiency value = 100 * (0.5*13a + 13c + 13e) / 13f | |
| | 0 % |
| 13i Compliance with operating standard: Is the operating value shown in line 13g gre | eater than or equal to 5%? |
| | |
| Yes (complies with operating standard) No (does not comply w | ith operating standard) |
| 12: Did installation of the facility in its surrout form common on or offer March 12.1 | 0803 |
| 13j Did installation of the facility in its current form commence on or after March 13, 1 | 980? |
| Yes. Your facility is subject to the efficiency requirements of 18 C.F.R. § 292.20 | 5(a)(2). Demonstrate |
| compliance with the efficiency requirement by responding to line 13k or 13l, a | |
| | |
| No. Your facility is exempt from the efficiency standard. Skip lines 13k and 13l | |
| | |
| 13k Compliance with efficiency standard (for low operating value): If the operating value | alue shown in line 13g is les |
| than 15%, then indicate below whether the efficiency value shown in line 13h greater | than or equal to 45%: |
| | |
| Yes (complies with efficiency standard) No (does not comply w | ith efficiency standard) |
| | |
| 13I Compliance with efficiency standard (for high operating value): If the operating v | |
| greater than or equal to 15%, then indicate below whether the efficiency value shown | In line 13h is greater than c |
| equal to 42.5%: | |
| Yes (complies with efficiency standard) No (does not comply w | ith efficiency standard) |
| | ,, |

Information Required for Bottoming-Cycle Cogeneration Facility

If you indicated in line 10a that your facility represents bottoming-cycle cogeneration technology, then you must respond to the items on pages 21 and 22. Otherwise, skip pages 21 and 22.

The thermal energy output of a bottoming-cycle cogeneration facility is the energy related to the process(es) from which at least some of the reject heat is then used for power production. Pursuant to sections 292.202(c) and (e) of the Commission's regulations (18 C.F.R. § 292.202(c) and (e)), the thermal energy output of a gualifying bottomingcycle cogeneration facility must be useful. In connection with this requirement, describe the process(es) from which at least some of the reject heat is used for power production by responding to lines 14a and 14b below.

14a Identify and describe each thermal host and each bottoming-cycle cogeneration process engaged in by each host. For hosts with multiple bottoming-cycle cogeneration processes, provide the data for each process in separate rows. Has the energy input to

Name of entity (thermal host)

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| | performing the process from which at least some of the reject heat is used for power production | Thermal host's relationship to facility; Thermal host's process type | augmented for purposes of increasing power production capacity? (if Yes, describe on p. 24) |
|----|--|---|--|
| 1) | | Select thermal host's relationship to facility | Yes No |
| 1) | | Select thermal host's process type | |
| 2) | | Select thermal host's relationship to facility | Yes No |
| | | Select thermal host's process type | |
| 3) | | Select thermal host's relationship to facility | Yes No |
| | | Select thermal host's process type | |

Check here and continue in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24 if additional space is needed

14b Demonstration of usefulness of thermal output: At a minimum, provide a brief description of each process identified above. In some cases, this brief description is sufficient to demonstrate usefulness. However, if your facility's process is not common, and/or if the usefulness of such thermal output is not reasonably clear, then you must provide additional details as necessary to demonstrate usefulness. Your application may be rejected and/or additional information may be required if an insufficient showing of usefulness is made. (Exception: If you have previously received a Commission certification approving a specific bottoming-cycle process related to the instant facility, then you need only provide a brief description of that process and a reference by date and docket number to the order certifying your facility with the indicated process. Such exemption may not be used if any material changes to the process have been made.) If additional space is needed, continue in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24.

Bottoming-Cycle Operating and

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Applicants for facilities representing bottoming-cycle technology and for which installation commenced on or after March 13, 1990 must demonstrate compliance with the bottoming-cycle efficiency standards. Section 292.205(b) of the Commission's regulations (18 C.F.R. § 292.205(b)) establishes the efficiency standard for bottoming-cycle cogeneration facilities: the useful power output of the facility must be no less than 45 percent of the energy input of natural gas and oil for supplementary firing. To demonstrate compliance with the bottoming-cycle efficiency standard based on the date that installation of the facility began, respond to lines 15a through 15h below.

If you indicated in line 10a that your facility represents *both* topping-cycle and bottoming-cycle cogeneration technology, then respond to lines 15a through 15h below considering only the energy inputs and outputs attributable to the bottoming-cycle portion of your facility. Your mass and heat balance diagram must make clear which mass and energy flow values and system components are for which portion of the cogeneration system (topping or bottoming).

Yes. Your facility is subject to the efficiency requirement of 18 C.F.R. § 292.205(b). Demonstrate compliance with the efficiency requirement by responding to lines 15b through 15h below.

No. Your facility is exempt from the efficiency standard. Skip the rest of page 22.

| 15c Multiply line 15b by 3,412 to convert from kW to Btu/h 15d Indicate the annual average rate of mechanical energy output taken directly of the shaft of a prime mover for purposes not directly related to power production (this value is usually zero) 15e Multiply line 15d by 2,544 to convert from hp to Btu/h | |
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| 15e Multiply line 15d by 2,544 to convert from hp to Btu/h | |
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| 15f Indicate the annual average rate of supplementary energy input from natura | l gas |
| or oil | Btu |
| 15g Bottoming-cycle efficiency value = 100 * (15c + 15e) / 15f | |
| | 0 % |
| 15h Compliance with efficiency standard: Indicate below whether the efficiency than or equal to 45%: | value shown in line 15g is great |

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Certificate of Completeness, Accuracy and Authority

Applicant must certify compliance with and understanding of filing requirements by checking next to each item below and signing at the bottom of this section. Forms with incomplete Certificates of Completeness, Accuracy and Authority will be rejected by the Secretary of the Commission.

Signer identified below certifies the following: (check all items and applicable subitems)

He or she has read the filing, including any information contained in any attached documents, such as cogeneration mass and heat balance diagrams, and any information contained in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24, and knows its contents.

He or she has provided all of the required information for certification, and the provided information is true as stated, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief.

He or she possess full power and authority to sign the filing; as required by Rule 2005(a)(3) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. § 385.2005(a)(3)), he or she is one of the following: (check one)

□ The person on whose behalf the filing is made

An officer of the corporation, trust, association, or other organized group on behalf of which the filing is made

- An officer, agent, or employe of the governmental authority, agency, or instrumentality on behalf of which the filing is made
- A representative qualified to practice before the Commission under Rule 2101 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. § 385.2101) and who possesses authority to sign
- He or she has reviewed all automatic calculations and agrees with their results, unless otherwise noted in the Miscellaneous section starting on page 24.

He or she has provided a copy of this Form 556 and all attachments to the utilities with which the facility will interconnect and transact (see lines 4a through 4d), as well as to the regulatory authorities of the states in which the facility and those utilities reside. See the Required Notice to Public Utilities and State Regulatory Authorities section on page 4 for more information.

Provide your signature, address and signature date below. Rule 2005(c) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. § 385.2005(c)) provides that persons filing their documents electronically may use typed characters representing his or her name to sign the filed documents. A person filing this document electronically should sign (by typing his or her name) in the space provided below.

| Your Signature | Your address | Date |
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| Ben Catt | 28801 | 5/3/2021 |

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Miscellaneous

Use this space to provide any information for which there was not sufficient space in the previous sections of the form to provide. For each such item of information *clearly identify the line number that the information belongs to*. You may also use this space to provide any additional information you believe is relevant to the certification of your facility.

Your response below is not limited to one page. Additional page(s) will automatically be inserted into this form if the length of your response exceeds the space on this page. Use as many pages as you require.

In relation to 5b, the ultimate upstream owners of Pine Gate Renewables are individuals who are neither holding companies nor electric utilities and are therefore not listed.

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Ben Catt is the Chief Executive Officer of Pine Gate Renewables, where he creates key partnerships, drives company strategy, and oversees development, operations, and project and corporate finance. Before joining Pine Gate Renewables, Ben served as Director of Structured Finance and Business Development at FLS Energy, a utility-scale solar developer in North Carolina. FLS Energy was acquired by Cypress Creek Renewables in 2016.