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November 9, 2023

## AN ELECTRONIC FILING OF LETTER OF INTENT

Ms. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 430 North Salisbury Street Raleigh, NC 27603-5918

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Re: Letter of Intent to File For Waiver of Notice and Hearing Requirements

Docket No. EC-47, Sub 55

1,400 feet (0.265 miles) of 230 kV transmission tap line to help power a new step down station located in Durham County, North Carolina

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Wake Electric Membership Corporation ("Wake EMC"), pursuant to North Carolina Utilities Commission Rule R8-62(k), files this Letter of Intent to file for a waiver of the notice and hearing requirements of N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 62-102 and 62-104.

Wake EMC intends to construct approximately 1,400 feet (0.265 miles) of 230 kilovolt ("kV") transmission line to "tap" into an existing Duke Energy 230 kV transmission line, to connect to and help power the new Durham 230-115kV Step-Down Substation in Durham County, North Carolina. The entirety of the tap line will be constructed and located on land located in Durham County, North Carolina that will either be owned by Wake EMC or in which Wake EMC has obtained easement rights. Ralph Michael Wrenn does not object to the waiver of the notice and hearing requirements of N. C. Gen. Stat. §§ 62-102 and 62-104. (See Exhibit A). The construction of this transmission line will improve the power quality and reliability in this area and provide additional capacity for future growth.

A Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") is required for the new 230 kV transmission tap line Wake EMC needs to build pursuant to the provisions of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-102.

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However, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-101(d) also authorizes Wake EMC to obtain a waiver of the notice and hearing requirements for such a CPCN if certain requirements are met. Wake EMC's new Tap Line meets those conditions. Commission Rule R8-62(k) requires that Wake EMC pre-file its Application and Motion with the Public Staff Electric Division at least twenty (20) days prior to actually filing its Application and Motion with the Commission and to simultaneously file a Notice of Intent to seek a waiver with the Commission. Wake EMC will file its Application and Motion on or after November 26, 2023, in order to comply with the applicable rules.

Wake EMC has advised the Public Staff of the North Carolina Utilities Commission of this new Tap Line and is providing the Public Staff with this Letter of Intent.

Thank you for your attention to these matters. Should you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Sincerely,

David P. Ferrell

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EXHIBIT **A** 

## Ralph Michael Wrenn 5621 Kemp Rd, Durham, NC 27703

Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 430 North Salisbury Street Raleigh, NC 27601

RE: Docket No. <u>EC-47</u>, Sub 55 - <u>Durham Step-Down Station</u>

Application by Wake Electric Membership Corporation to construct approximately <u>1,400</u> feet of 230 kV transmission line in Durham County

*Waiver of Notice and Hearing Requirements* 

Dear Chief Clerk:

We, Ralph Michael Wrenn, hereby state that we I am the owner of the land upon which Wake Electric Membership Corporation owns an easement for the construction of a 230 kV electric transmission tap line to energize a new Wake Membership Corporation substation. We do not oppose the request by Wake Membership Corporation for a waiver of the Notice and Hearing requirements of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-101 for the construction and installation of the electric transmission interconnection line as proposed by Wake Membership Corporation in this application.

By:	Ralph Michael Wrenn	9/29/2023   10:01:54 AM PDT
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