

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. SP-5434, SUB 0

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Johannes Gutenberg	)	
Solar LLC for a Certificate of Public	)	ORDER ISSUING
Convenience and Necessity to	)	AMENDED CERTIFICATE
Construct a 79.9-MW Solar Facility in	)	
Northampton County, North Carolina	)	

BY THE COMMISSION: On July 8, 2015, the Commission issued an order granting a certificate of public convenience and necessity for Johannes Gutenberg Solar LLC (Applicant), for construction of a 74.9-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located east and west of Cornwallis Road (SR-1301) within an approximately 1.5 mile radius of the intersection of Cornwallis Road and NC Highway 186 in an unincorporated area of Garysburg Township Extra Territorial Jurisdiction, Northampton County, North Carolina.

On May 3, 2017, the Applicant filed an amendment to its application stating that it is adding more land and has made changes to the ownership, equipment, capacity, projected sales, and operation date of the facility. The capacity of the facility will be 79.9-MW<sub>AC</sub>.

On May 5, 2017, the Commission issued an Amended Order Requiring Publication of Notice.

On May 17, 2017, the Applicant filed a certificate of service stating that a copy of the Application and the related public notice were provided to Dominion Energy North Carolina on May 17, 2017.

On June 9 and 15, 2017, the State Clearinghouse filed comments. Because of the nature of the comments, the cover letter indicated that no further State Clearinghouse review action by the Commission was required for compliance with the North Carolina Environmental Policy Act.

On June 19, 2017, the Applicant filed an affidavit of publication from The Daily Herald (Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina) stating that the publication of notice was completed on June 8, 2017. No complaints have been received.

The Public Staff presented this matter to the Commission at its Regular Staff Conference on August 7, 2017. The Public Staff stated that it had reviewed the amendment and determined it to be in compliance with the requirements of G.S. 62-110.1(a) and Commission Rule R8-64. Therefore, the Public Staff recommended approval of the certificate for the facility.

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

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That the application filed by Johannes Gutenberg Solar LLC for an amended certificate of public convenience and necessity shall be, and is hereby, approved.

2. That Appendix A shall constitute the amended certificate of public convenience and necessity issued to Johannes Gutenberg Solar LLC for the 79.9-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located east and west of Cornwallis Road (SR-1301) within an approximately 1.5 mile radius of the intersection of Cornwallis Road and NC Highway 186 in an unincorporated area of Garysburg Township Extra Territorial Jurisdiction, Northampton County, North Carolina.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Linnetta Threath".

Linnetta Threath, Acting Deputy Clerk

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Johannes Gutenberg Solar LLC  
c/o EDF Renewable Development, Inc.  
40 West Evergreen Avenue, Suite 101  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19118

is hereby issued this

**AMENDED CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY  
PURSUANT TO G.S. 62-110.1**

for a 79.9-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic electric generating facility

located

east and west of Cornwallis Road (SR-1301) within an approximately 1.5 mile radius of  
the intersection of Cornwallis Road and NC Highway 186 in an unincorporated area of  
Garysburg Township Extra Territorial Jurisdiction,  
Northampton County, North Carolina,

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

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Linnetta Threatt, Acting Deputy Clerk