

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. RET-33, SUB 5

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Application of Appalachian State University) ORDER ACCEPTING
for Registration of a New Renewable Energy) REGISTRATION OF NEW
Facility) RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITY

BY THE CHAIRMAN: On May 30, 2012, as amended March 25, 2013, Appalachian State University (ASU) filed a registration statement pursuant to Commission Rule R8-66 for a new renewable energy facility located at the Blackburn Vannoy Farm in Fletcher in Ashe County, North Carolina. ASU stated that its 6,800 Btu/hr metered solar thermal facility became operational on May 1, 2012.

The filing included certified attestations that: 1) the facility will be in substantial compliance with all federal and state laws, regulations, and rules for the protection of the environment and conservation of natural resources; 2) the facility will be operated as a new renewable energy facility; 3) ASU will not remarket or otherwise resell any renewable energy certificates (RECs) sold to an electric power supplier to comply with G.S. 62-133.8; and 4) ASU will consent to the auditing of its books and records by the Public Staff insofar as those records relate to transactions with North Carolina electric power suppliers.

On July 2, 2013, the Public Staff filed the recommendation required by Commission Rule R8-66(e) stating that ASU's registration statement as a new renewable energy facility should be considered to be complete. No other party made a filing with respect to these issues.

Based upon the foregoing and the entire record in this proceeding, the Chairman finds good cause to accept registration of ASU's metered solar thermal facility as a new renewable energy facility. ASU shall annually file the information required by Commission Rule R8-66 on or before April 1 of each year. ASU will be required to participate in the NC-RETS REC tracking system (www.ncrets.org) in order to facilitate the issuance of RECs.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

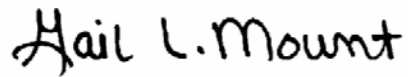
1. That the registration by ASU for its metered solar thermal facility located at the Blackburn Vannoy Farm in Fletcher in Ashe County, North Carolina as a new renewable energy facility shall be, and is hereby, accepted.

2. That ASU shall annually file the information required by Commission Rule R8-66 on or before April 1 of each year.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 3rd day of October, 2013.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gail L. Mount". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

Gail L. Mount, Chief Clerk

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