

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. SP-5098, SUB 0

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of

Application of Shine Solar I, LLC, for a)	ORDER ISSUING CERTIFICATE
Certificate of Public Convenience and)	AND ACCEPTING
Necessity to Construct a 4.999-MW Solar)	REGISTRATION OF NEW
Facility in Rutherford County, North Carolina)	RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITY

BY THE COMMISSION: On February 20, 2015, Shine Solar I, LLC (Applicant), filed a registration statement for a new renewable energy facility to be located at 1479-A Oak Grove Church Road, near Ellenboro, Rutherford County, North Carolina.

On February 23, 2015, the Applicant, filed an application seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to G.S. 62-110.1(a) for construction of a 4.999-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic electric generating facility. The Applicant plans to sell the electricity generated by this facility to Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC).

On February 27, 2015, the Commission issued an Order Requiring Publication of Notice.

On April 7, 2015, the Applicant filed a certificate of service stating that a copy of the Application and the related public notice were provided to DEC on March 3, 2015.

Also, on April 7, 2015, the Applicant filed an affidavit of publication from The Daily Courier (Forest City, North Carolina) stating that the publication of notice was completed on March 25, 2015. No complaints have been received.

On April 9, 2015, 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.

The Public Staff presented this matter to the Commission at its Regular Staff Conference on August 31, 2015. The Public Staff stated that it had reviewed the application and determined it to be in compliance with the requirements of G.S. 62-110.1(a) and Commission Rule R8-64. The Public Staff further stated that the registration statement contains the certified attestations required by Commission Rule R8-66(b). Therefore, the Public Staff recommended approval of the certificate and registration for the facility.

After careful consideration, the Commission finds good cause to approve the application and issue the attached certificate for the proposed solar photovoltaic electric generating facility. The Commission further finds good cause, based upon the foregoing and the entire record in this proceeding, to accept registration of the facility as a new renewable energy facility. The Applicant shall annually file the information required by Commission Rule R8-66 on or before April 1 of each year and will be required to participate in the NC-RETS REC tracking system (<http://www.ncrets.org>) in order to facilitate the issuance of RECs.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That the application of Shine Solar I, LLC, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity shall be, and is hereby, approved.
2. That Appendix A shall constitute the certificate of public convenience and necessity issued to Shine Solar I, LLC, for the 4.999-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 1479-A Oak Grove Church Road, near Ellenboro, Rutherford County, North Carolina.
3. That the registration statement filed by Shine Solar I, LLC, for its solar photovoltaic facility located in Rutherford County, North Carolina, as a new renewable energy facility, shall be, and is hereby, accepted.
4. That Shine Solar I, LLC, 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 31st day of August, 2015.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Jackie Cox, Deputy Clerk

Commissioners Bryan E. Beatty and James G. Patterson did not participate in this decision.

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Shine Solar I, LLC
10018 Triple Oak Road
Charlotte, North Carolina 28277

is hereby issued this

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

for a 4.999-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic electric generating facility

located

at 1479-A Oak Grove Church Road, near Ellenboro, Rutherford 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 31st day of August, 2015.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Jackie Cox, Deputy Clerk