

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1167

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC,)	ORDER GRANTING DUKE ENERGY
Requesting Approval of Solar Rebate)	PROGRESS, LLC'S MOTION TO
Program Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-155(f))	EXTEND INSTALLATION DEADLINE
)	FOR SPECIFIED NON-PROFIT
)	CUSTOMERS

BY THE CHAIR: On May 15, 2023, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-140, N.C.G.S. § 62-155(f), and Commission Rule R1-5, Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP), filed a motion requesting Commission approval to extend the deadline for 11 non-profit customers in Buncombe County, North Carolina to install solar photovoltaic (PV) electric generating systems pursuant to the terms of DEP's Solar Rebate Rider SRR-7 (Rider SRR-7).

The terms of Rider SRR-7 require that

Non-profit customers with a project under 20 kW must complete installation no later than 365 days from the date the rebate reservation was obtained. All other non-residential and non-profit customers must complete installation no later than 365 days from the date the rebate reservation was obtained or the date of an executed interconnection agreement by [DEP], whichever is later.

DEP's motion states in pertinent part that the 11 non-profit customers, which are identified in DEP's confidential motion, have completion deadlines of May 27, 2023. DEP's motion further states that these projects have encountered installation delays arising from stormwater permitting with the county, difficulties importing solar modules, and subsequent redesigns to plan for other utilities being in the area, including underground utility infrastructure. Further, DEP's motion states that the 11 non-profit customers are not responsible for any of the delays, and all 11 projects are now in the construction phase. Also, in support of the motion, DEP states that it is reasonable to extend the deadline for each of the 11 non-profit customers for six months to allow these projects to be safely installed, and the Public Staff is supportive of the motion. Accordingly, DEP requests an extension of the 365-day deadline for installation for these 11 projects until November 27, 2023.

Based on the foregoing, the Chair finds good cause to grant an extension of time to the 11 non-profit projects further identified in DEP's May 15, 2023 confidential motion until November 27, 2023, to install their PV electric generating systems.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 12th day of June, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tamika D. Conyers". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Tamika D. Conyers, Deputy Clerk