

1 STAFF CONFERENCE

May 16, 2022

2 CHAIR MITCHELL: Good morning. Let's come
3 to order and go on the record, please. I'm
4 Charlotte Mitchell, Chair of the Utilities
5 Commission, and with me this morning are
6 Commissioners Brown-Bland, Clodfelter, Duffley,
7 McKissick, and Kemerait.

8 In compliance with the State Government
9 Ethics Act, I remind members of the Commission of
10 our duty to avoid conflicts of interest, and inquire
11 at this time as to whether any member of the
12 Commission has a known conflict with respect to
13 matters coming before us this morning?

14 (No response)

15 The record will reflect no conflicts have
16 been identified, so we will proceed with Public
17 Staff, Item 1.

18 MR. SAILLOR: I'm Scott Sallor with the
19 Energy Division. Items 1 and 2 are Applications for
20 Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for
21 solar PV generating facilities.

22 The Public Staff recommends that the
23 Commission issue the Applications and issue the
24 requested Certificates.

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1 COMMISSIONER BROWN-BLAND: Move approval
2 of the recommendation.

3 COMMISSIONER CLODFELTER: Second.

4 CHAIR MITCHELL: It's been moved and
5 seconded that the item be approved as recommended by
6 the Public Staff. Any questions or discussion?

7 (No response)

8 Hearing none, all in favor indicate with
9 an aye.

10 (All Commissioners say aye)

11 CHAIR MITCHELL: Is there anyone opposed?

12 (No response)

13 Motion carries.

14 (MOTION PASSES)

15 CHAIR MITCHELL: Thank you, Mr. Saillor.
16 Public Staff Item 2.

17 MR. SAILLOR: Item 3.

18 CHAIR MITCHELL: Item 3. I'm sorry. Yes.

19 MR. SAILLOR: This is an Application filed
20 by Green Bridge Partners NC, LLC, for a Certificate
21 of Authority to engage in business as an electric
22 generator lessor.

23 The Public Staff recommends that the
24 Commission approve the Application and issue the

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1 requested Certificate.

2 COMMISSIONER BROWN-BLAND: Move approval
3 of the recommendation.

4 COMMISSIONER CLODFELTER: Second.

5 CHAIR MITCHELL: It's been moved and
6 seconded that the item be approved as recommended by
7 the Public Staff. Questions or discussion?

8 (No response)

9 Hearing none, all in favor indicate with
10 an aye.

11 (All Commissioners say aye)

12 CHAIR MITCHELL: Is there anyone opposed?

13 (No response)

14 CHAIR MITCHELL: The motion carries.

15 (MOTION PASSES)

16 CHAIR MITCHELL: Thank you, Mr. Saillor.
17 We'll proceed to Public Staff, Item 4.

18 MS. PROFFITT: Good morning. I can't
19 remember if we have to say our name, but it's Karen
20 Proffitt of the Public Staff - Water, Sewer and
21 Telephone Division.

22 Communications Items 4, 5 and 6 present
23 Interconnection Agreement Amendments filed by AT&T
24 North Carolina between March 10th and March 24th,

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1 2022.

2 The Public Staff has reviewed the filings
3 and recommends that orders be issued approving the
4 Amendments effective on the date they were filed.

5 The Public Staff has provided proposed
6 orders to the Commission staff.

7 COMMISSIONER BROWN-BLAND: Move approval
8 of the recommendation for Items 4, 5 and 6.

9 COMMISSIONER CLODFELTER: Second.

10 CHAIR MITCHELL: It's been moved and
11 seconded that Items 4, 5 and 6 be approved as
12 recommended by the Public Staff. Any questions or
13 discussion on that motion?

14 (No response)

15 CHAIR MITCHELL: Hearing none, all in
16 favor indicate with an aye.

17 (All Commissioners say aye)

18 CHAIR MITCHELL: Is there anyone opposed?

19 (No response)

20 The motion carries.

21 (MOTION PASSES)

22 CHAIR MITCHELL: Thank you, Ms. Proffitt.

23 The Commission has before us our minutes
24 from Staff Conference on May 9th for approval. I'll

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1 take a motion.

2 COMMISSIONER DUFFLEY: Move approval.

3 CHAIR MITCHELL: Questions or discussion
4 on the minutes?

5 (No response)

6 Hearing none, all in favor indicate with
7 an aye.

8 (All Commissioners say aye)

9 CHAIR MITCHELL: Is there anyone opposed?

10 (No response)

11 Our minutes of May 9th are approved.

12 Additional business for the Commission
13 this morning? Mr. Maness, I see you approaching.

14 MR. MANESS: Thank you, Madam Chair.

15 Members of the Commission, Mike Maness, Director of
16 the Accounting Division of the Public Staff. I'd
17 like to take this opportunity to introduce or
18 reintroduce as the case may be Mr. Hemanth Meda to
19 the Commission.

20 Mr. Meda is an employee who has just come
21 to us after working for us for a short time during
22 the pandemic lockdown as an accountant with the
23 Public Staff -- or a financial analyst with the
24 Public Staff, I should say.

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1 Hemanth is a native of India. He has a
2 Bachelor's Degree from the University of Wollongong
3 in Australia and a Master's from Osmania University.
4 He's a CPA. He has worked various places both
5 overseas and in Canada and in the United States. He
6 came to the Raleigh-Durham area several years ago.
7 Most recently, he's been employed by Swissport,
8 which is an independent provider of airport ground
9 and cargo handling services. But I guess he loved
10 his short time with us before so much that he's
11 decided to come back to us, and we are very pleased
12 to have him.

13 CHAIR MITCHELL: Good morning, Mr. Meda.
14 Welcome back. We're glad to see you in person and
15 look forward to working with you.

16 MR. MEDA: Thank you. I look forward to
17 working with you-all.

18 CHAIR MITCHELL: Thank you.

19 MR. MEDA: Thank you.

20 CHAIR MITCHELL: Thank you, Mr. Maness.
21 Any additional business for the Commission before we
22 adjourn?

23 (No response)

24 Hearing none, we'll be adjourned. Thank

1 you very much everybody. Let's go off the record,
2 please.

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4 WHEREUPON, this conference is adjourned.
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7 C E R T I F I C A T E

8 I, KIM T. MITCHELL, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that
9 the Proceedings in the above-captioned matter were
10 taken before me, that I did report in stenographic
11 shorthand the Proceedings set forth herein, and the
12 foregoing pages are a true and correct transcription
13 to the best of my ability.

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