STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. EMP-117, SUB 0

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application of Shawboro East Ridge Solar,) MOTION TO CANCEL PUBLIC
LLC, for a Certificate of Public) HEARING
Convenience and Necessity to Construct a)
150-MW Solar Facility in Currituck County,)
North Carolina)

NOW COMES THE PUBLIC STAFF – North Carolina Utilities Commission (Public Staff), by and through its Executive Director, Christopher J. Ayers, and respectfully moves the North Carolina Utilities Commission (Commission) to cancel the public hearing scheduled for October 14, 2021, in the above-captioned docket. In support of this motion, the Public Staff respectfully shows the Commission the following:

- 1. On June 22, 2021, Shawboro East Ridge Solar, LLC (Applicant) filed an application pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-110.1 and Commission Rule R8-63 for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct a 150-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located in Currituck County, North Carolina.
- 2. On August 12, 2021, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearings, Filing of Testimony, Establishing Procedural Guidelines, and Requiring Public Notice (Order). Among other things, the Order (1) scheduled a public witness hearing to be held at 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 14, 2021, at the Currituck

County Courthouse in Currituck, North Carolina; (2) required the Applicant to publish Public Notice in a newspaper having general circulation in Currituck County once a week for four successive weeks beginning at least 30 days prior to Thursday, September 23, 2021; and (3) required the Applicant to file an affidavit of publication demonstrating that the notice was published pursuant to the Order on or before Wednesday, October 6, 2021. The Order further stated that the public witness hearing may be cancelled if no significant protests are filed with the Commission subsequent to the publication of Public Notice.

- 3. On September 14, 2021, the Applicant filed an Affidavit of Publication, certifying that Public Notice had been published in accordance with the Order on August 19, 2021, August 26, 2021, September 2, 2021, and September 9, 2021.
- 4. As of the date of the filing of this motion, the Public Staff has received no complaints regarding the proposed facility.
- 5. As of the date of the filing of this motion, the Commission has received no written complaints regarding the proposed facility.
- 6. Therefore, the Public Staff respectfully requests that the public witness hearing in this docket, scheduled for October 14, 2021, be cancelled.
- 7. The Public Staff has contacted counsel for the Applicant and is authorized to represent that the Applicant does not object to this motion.

WHEREFORE, the Public Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order cancelling the public witness hearing scheduled for October 14, 2021.

This the 8th day of October, 2021.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Motion on all parties of record in accordance with Commission Rule R1-39, by United States mail, postage prepaid, first class; by hand delivery; or by means of facsimile or electronic delivery upon agreement of the receiving party.

This the 8th day of October, 2021.

Electronically submitted /s/ Nadia L. Luhr