# STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH 

DOCKET NO. SP-3717, SUB 0

## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application of SolNCPower5, LLC, for a ) ORDER ISSUING CERTIFICATE Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct a 5-MW Solar Facility in Nash County, North Carolina
) AND ACCEPTING
) REGISTRATION OF NEW
) RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITY

BY THE COMMISSION: On January 8, 2014, in Docket No. SP-2910, Sub 4, the Commission issued an order granting a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) to SolNCPower1, LLC (SolNCPower1), for construction of a 5-MW solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located in Nash County at 662 West Battleboro Avenue, Battleboro, North Carolina. In addition, the Commission accepted the registration statement of the facility as a new renewable energy facility.

On May 15, 2014, SoINCPower1 and SoINCPower5, LLC (Applicant), filed a statement with the Commission in Docket Nos. SP-2910, Sub 4 and SP-3717, Sub 0 requesting that the Commission transfer the CPCN and registration for the facility from SolNCPower1 to the Applicant.

On June 3, 2014, the Commission issued an order transferring the CPCN and registration for the facility from SoINCPower1 to the Applicant, canceling the CPCN issued to SolNCPower1, issuing a new CPCN to the Applicant, and closing Docket No. SP-2910, Sub 4.

On July 28, 2014, the Applicant filed an amended application for a CPCN stating that the proposed site plan of the facility has changed due to the addition of a second parcel of land adjacent to the original proposed site.

On August 19, 2014, the Commission issued an Order Cancelling Certificate and Requiring Publication of Notice, which required the Applicant to (1) publish notice of the application as required by G.S. 62-82(a) and file an affidavit of publication with the Commission, (2) mail a copy of the application and notice, no later than the first date that such notice is published, to the electric utility to which the Applicant planned to sell and distribute the electricity, and (3) file a certificate of service of such mailing to the utility. The Order also specified that if a complaint was received within 10 days after the last date of the publication of the notice, the Commission would schedule a public hearing to determine whether a certificate should be awarded. The Order further specified that if the Commission received no complaints within the time specified above
and if the Commission did not order a hearing upon its own initiative, it would enter an order awarding the certificate.

On September 25, 2014, the Applicant filed a certificate of service stating that the public notice and a copy of the amended application were provided to Dominion North Carolina Power on August 21, 2014. Also on September 25, 2014, the Applicant filed an affidavit of publication from the Rocky Mount Telegram stating that the publication of notice was completed on September 16, 2014. No complaints have been received.

On October 2, 2014, 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 October 20, 2014. The Public Staff recommended that the Commission approve the amended application, issue the requested certificate to SolNCPower5, LLC, and accept the registration statement.

After careful consideration, the Commission finds good cause to approve the amended application and issue the attached certificate of public convenience and necessity 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 should 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 SolNCPower5, 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 SolNCPower5, LLC, for the $5-\mathrm{MW}_{\mathrm{AC}}$ solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located in Nash County at 662 West Battleboro Avenue, Battleboro, North Carolina.
3. That the registration statement filed by SolNCPower1, for its solar photovoltaic facility located in Nash County, North Carolina, as a new renewable energy facility shall be deemed to have been filed by SoINCPower5, LLC, and shall be, and is hereby, accepted.
4. That SoINCPower5, 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 $21^{\text {st }}$ day of October, 2014.

# NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION 

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Commissioner Susan W. Rabon did not participate in this decision.

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SolNCPower5, LLC 192 Raceway Drive
Mooresville, North Carolina 28117
is hereby issued this
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
PURSUANT TO G.S. 62-110.1
for a $5-\mathrm{MW}_{\mathrm{AC}}$ solar photovoltaic electric generating facility
located
in Nash County at 662 West Battleboro Avenue, Battleboro, 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 $21^{\text {st }}$ day of October, 2014.
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