

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. EMP-109, SUB 0

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application of Camden Solar LLC for a)
Certificate of Public Convenience and) ORDER CANCELLING PUBLIC
Necessity to Construct a 20-MW Solar) WITNESS HEARING
Facility in Camden County, North Carolina)

BY THE CHAIR: On April 1, 2020, Camden 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 (CPCN) to construct a 20-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic (PV) electric generating facility to be located in Camden County, North Carolina, and operated as a merchant generating facility.¹

On April 15, 2020, the Public Staff filed a Notice of Completeness stating that the Public Staff has reviewed the application as required by Commission Rule R8-63(d) and that the Public Staff considers the application to be complete. In addition, the Public Staff requested that the Commission issue a procedural order setting the application for hearing, requiring public notice pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-82, and addressing other procedural matters.

On April 24, 2020, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Testimony, Establishing Procedural Guidelines, and Requiring Public Notice (Scheduling Order). The Scheduling Order, among other things, scheduled a hearing on Monday, June 22, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the Camden County Courthouse in Camden, North Carolina, for the purpose of receiving public witness testimony regarding the application, and required the Applicant to publish public notice of the hearing in a newspaper having general circulation in Camden County once a week for four consecutive weeks. Further, the Scheduling Order provided that the Commission may cancel the public witness hearing if no substantial written complaints regarding the proposed facility were filed on or before Monday, June 1, 2020.

On May 21, 2020, the Applicant filed an affidavit of publication, evidencing that the Applicant caused to be published notice of the hearing in the Daily Advance (Elizabeth City) as required by the Scheduling Order.

¹ As a part of its application, the Applicant states that this facility is the same as that for which the Commission issued a CPCN in Docket No. SP-8831, Sub 0 pursuant to Commission Rule R8-64. The Applicant further states that it now intends to operate the facility as an electric merchant plant and requests that the Commission cancel the previously issued CPCN.

On June 2, 2020, the Applicant filed a Motion to Cancel Hearings requesting that the Commission cancel the public witness hearing scheduled for June 22, 2020, and the expert witness hearing scheduled for July 6, 2020. The Applicant states that the Public Staff consents to the cancellation of the hearings.

The Commission has not received any written complaints regarding the proposed facility, and no party has requested to intervene in this proceeding.

Based upon the foregoing and the entire record herein, the Chair finds good cause to cancel the public witness hearing scheduled in this docket for Monday, June 22, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the Camden County Courthouse in Camden, North Carolina.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 8th day of June, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Janice H. Fulmore".

Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk