STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. EMP-116, SUB 0

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application of Juno Solar, LLC, for a) MOTION TO CANCEL PUBLIC
Certificate of Public Convenience and) HEARING
Necessity to Construct a 275-MW Solar)
Facility in Richmond 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 November 3, 2021 in the above-captioned docket. In support of this motion, the Public Staff respectfully shows the Commission the following:

- 1. On July 12, 2021, Juno 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 275-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located in Richmond County, North Carolina.
- 2. On August 31, 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 remotely at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 3, 2021; (2) required the Applicant to publish Public Notice in a newspaper having general

circulation in Richmond County once a week for four successive weeks beginning at least 30 days prior to Thursday, October 7, 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 20, 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 October 18, 2021, the Applicant filed an Affidavit of Publication, certifying that Public Notice had been published in accordance with the Order on September 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2021.
- 4. As of the date of the filing of this motion, the Public Staff has received no complaints regarding the proposed facility and no complaints have been filed in the docket.
- 5. Therefore, the Public Staff respectfully requests that the public witness hearing in this docket, scheduled for November 3, 2021, be cancelled.
- 6. The Public Staff has contacted counsel for the parties and is authorized to represent that the parties do not object to this motion.

WHEREFORE, the Public Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order cancelling the public witness hearing scheduled for November 3, 2021.

This the 28th 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 28th day of October, 2021.

Electronically submitted /s/ Layla Cummings