

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. SP-5100, SUB 1

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Fire Solar I, LLC, for a	)	ORDER ISSUING CERTIFICATE
Certificate of Public Convenience and	)	AND ACCEPTING REGISTRATION
Necessity to Construct a 19.999-MW Solar	)	OF NEW RENEWABLE ENERGY
Facility in Lincoln County, North Carolina	)	FACILITY

BY THE COMMISSION: On March 27, 2015, Fire Solar I, LLC (Applicant), filed an application seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to G.S. 62-110.1(a) for construction of a 19.999-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located at 2431 Mariposa Road, near Stanley, Lincoln County, North Carolina. The application stated that the Applicant planned to sell the electricity generated by this facility to Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC).

Contemporaneously with the application, the Applicant filed a registration statement for a renewable energy facility.

On April 1, 2015, the Commission issued an Order Requiring Publication of Notice.

On May 7, 2015, the Applicant filed a certificate of service stating that the public notice and a copy of the application were provided to DEC on April 9, 2015.

Also on May 7, 2015, the Applicant filed an affidavit of publication from the Lincoln Times-News (Lincolnton, North Carolina) stating that the publication of notice was completed on May 1, 2015. No complaints have been received.

On November 13, 2015, 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 November 23, 2015. The Public Staff stated that it had reviewed the application and determined it to be in compliance with the requirements of G.S. 62-110.1(a) and Commission Rule R8-64. The Public Staff further stated that the registration statement contains the certified attestations required by Commission Rule R8-66(b). Therefore, the Public Staff recommended approval of the certificate and registration for the facility.

After careful consideration, the Commission finds good cause to approve the application and issue the attached certificate 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 shall 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.

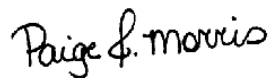
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That the application of Fire Solar I, 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 Fire Solar I, LLC, for the 19.999-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 2431 Mariposa Road, near Stanley, Lincoln County, North Carolina.
3. That the registration statement filed by Fire Solar I, LLC, for its solar photovoltaic facility located in Lincoln County, North Carolina, as a new renewable energy facility, shall be, and is hereby, accepted.
4. That Fire Solar I, 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2015.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Paige J. Morris, Deputy Clerk

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Fire Solar I, LLC  
10018 Triple Oak Road  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28277

is hereby issued this

**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY  
PURSUANT TO G.S. 62-110.1**

for a 19.999-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic electric generating facility

located at

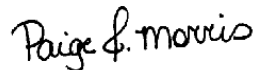
2431 Mariposa Road, near Stanley, Lincoln County, North Carolina,

subject to all orders, rules, regulations and conditions  
as are now or may hereafter be lawfully made  
by the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

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