

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. SP-4225, SUB 0

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of  
Application of Siler 421 Farm, LLC, for a ) ORDER ISSUING CERTIFICATE  
Certificate of Public Convenience and ) AND ACCEPTING  
Necessity to Construct a 5-MW Solar ) REGISTRATION OF NEW  
Facility in Chatham County, North Carolina ) RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITY

BY THE COMMISSION: On September 4, 2014, Siler 421 Farm, LLC (Applicant), filed an application pursuant to Commission Rule R8-64(b) seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to G.S. 62-110.1 for construction of a 5-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located in Chatham County, North Carolina. The Applicant plans to sell the electricity generated by this facility to Duke Energy Progress, Inc. (DEP).

Contemporaneously with the application, the Applicant filed a registration statement for a renewable energy facility. The registration statement included the certified attestations required by Commission Rule R8-66(b).

On September 10, 2014, the Commission issued an Order Requiring Publication of Notice.

On September 11, 2014, the Applicant filed a certificate of service stating that a copy of the application and the related public notice were provided to DEP on that same date.

On October 14, 2014, the Applicant filed an affidavit of publication from The Herald-Sun stating that the publication of notice was completed on October 3, 2014. No complaints have been received.

On October 23, 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 November 3, 2014. 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 issuance of the requested certificate and acceptance of the registration statement for the facility.

Based upon the foregoing, and the recommendation of the Public Staff, the Commission finds good cause to approve the application, issue the requested certificate, and accept the registration statement. 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 filed by Siler 421 Farm, 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 Siler 421 Farm, LLC, for the 5-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located in Chatham County on the west side of Siler City Snow Camp Road, west of the intersection with US 421 North, Siler City, North Carolina.

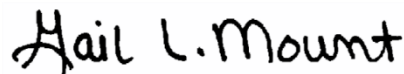
3. That the registration statement filed by Siler 421 Farm, LLC, for its solar photovoltaic facility located in Chatham County, North Carolina, as a new renewable energy facility shall be, and is hereby, accepted.

4. That Siler 421 Farm, LLC, 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 4<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2014.

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Gail L. Mount, Chief Clerk

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Siler 421 Farm, LLC  
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is hereby issued this

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

for a 5-MW<sub>AC</sub> solar photovoltaic electric generating facility

located

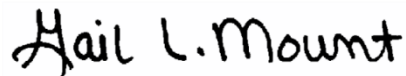
in Chatham County, on the west side of Siler City Snow Camp Road, west of the  
intersection with US 421 North,  
near Siler City, North Carolina,

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 4<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2014.

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