

The Public Staff presented this matter to the Commission at its Regular Staff Conference on October 10, 2016. 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.

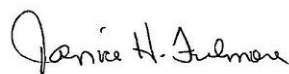
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That the application of Slender Branch Solar, 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 Slender Branch Solar, LLC, for the 80-MW_{AC} solar generating facility to be located along NC Highway 131, east of Faith Lane, west of Twisted Hickory Road, and approximately 3.4 miles north of the intersection of NC Highway 131 and Silver Spoon Road, Bladenboro, Bladen County, North Carolina.
3. That the registration statement filed by Slender Branch Solar, LLC, for its solar photovoltaic facility located in Bladen County, North Carolina, as a new renewable energy facility, shall be, and is hereby, accepted.
4. That Slender Branch Solar, 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 11th day of October, 2016.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. SP-8116, SUB 0

Slender Branch Solar, LLC
3250 Ocean Park Boulevard, Suite 355
Santa Monica, California 90405

is hereby issued this

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

for a 80-MW_{AC} solar photovoltaic electric generating facility

located

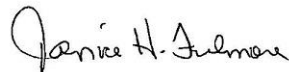
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Road, Bladenboro, Bladen County, North Carolina,

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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