

Commonwealth of Kentucky

## Energy and Environment Cabinet Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting 211 Sower Blvd.

211 Sower Blvd. P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615 Telephone: (502) 564-3940 Fax: (502) 564-3460

February 26, 2020

TO: DIVISION OF FILINGS

RE: Case No. 2020-00043

Application of Glover Creek Solar, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct an Approximately 55 Megawatt Merchant Electric Solar Generating Facility in Metcalfe County, Kentucky Pursuant to KRS 278.700 and

807 KAR 5:110

Please file in the administrative record of the above-referenced case the enclosed copy of a letter from Chairman Michael J. Schmitt to Governor Andy Beshear dated February 24, 2020.

Sincerely,

Kent A. Chandler Executive Director

**Enclosures** 

cc: Parties of Record

Andy Beshear Governor

Rebecca W. Goodman Secretary Energy and Environment Cabinet



Commonwealth of Kentucky

Public Service Commission
211 Sower Blvd.
P.O. Box 615

Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615

Telephone: (502) 564-3940
Fax: (502) 564-3460
psc.ky.gov

Michael J. Schmitt Chairman

> Robert Cicero Vice Chairman

Talina R. Mathews Commissioner

February 24, 2020

Hon. Governor Andy Beshear 700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 100 Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Re: Siting Board Case No. 2020-00043

Dear Governor Beshear:

As the Chairman of the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC), I also serve as the Chairman of the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting (Siting Board). Therefore, it is my duty to inform you that, on February 10, 2020, the Siting Board received a notice of intent from Glover Creek Solar, LLC to file an application for a certificate to construct an approximately 55 megawatt merchant electric solar generation facility in Summer Shade, Metcalfe County, Kentucky. A copy of the notice is enclosed herein.

The five permanent members of the Siting Board are myself; PSC Vice Chairman Robert Cicero; PSC Commissioner Talina R. Mathews; Secretary of the Energy and Environment Cabinet Rebecca W. Goodman (or her designee); and Interim Secretary of the Economic Development Cabinet Larry Hayes (or his designee).

In addition to the permanent members of the Siting Board, pursuant to KRS 278.702(1)(d)(1), upon receipt of a notice of intent to file an application with the Siting Board, the Governor must appoint two ad hoc public members to serve on the Siting Board for the duration of the case. Based on the facts as presented in the notice of intent, one of the ad hoc appointees must be the county judge/executive of Metcalfe County, Hon. Harold D. Stilts. The second ad hoc appointee must be a legal resident of Metcalfe County, where the proposed electric merchant generation facility will be sited.

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:110, Section 2, Glover Creek Solar, LLC may file its application, at the earliest, 30 days from the date of its February 10, 2020 notice. The time limit mandated by KRS 278.710(1) requires the Siting Board to issue its decision granting or denying the application within either 120 days or 180 days (if a local public hearing is requested). Therefore, it is vital to the successful completion of the Siting Board's duties that the ad hoc members be appointed by you as soon as practicable.

For your convenience, I have enclosed a copy of Executive Order 2014-445, issued by Governor Steven L. Beshear on June 13, 2014, appointing two ad hoc Siting

Governor Andy Beshear February 24, 2020 Page **2** of **2** 

Board members for a prior Siting Board Case (Case No. 2014-00162). This format may be used by you to appoint the ad hoc Siting Board members for the present case.

Please let me know if I can provide you any additional information regarding this case. Any communications regarding this case may be directed either to me or Quang Nguyen, Assistant General Counsel, at (502) 782-2586. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Muhaef J. Schmitt
Michael J. Schmitt

Chairman

QN/kw Enclosure

cc: Robert Cicero, Vice Chairman Public Service Commission
Talina R. Mathews, Commissioner Public Service Commission
Rebecca W. Goodman, Secretary Energy and Environment Cabinet
Larry Hayes, Interim Secretary Economic Development Cabinet





Sturgill, Turner, Barker & Moloney, PLLC

James W. Gardner

Of Counsel jgardner@sturgillturner.com

February 10, 2020

RECEIVED

Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P. O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602

FEB 1 0 2020

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Re: Notice of Intent to File Application of Glover Creek Solar, LLC for Certificate of Construction for: an approximately 55 Megawatt Merchant Electric Solar Generating Facility in Metcalfe County, Kentucky pursuant to KRS 278.700, et seq., and 807 KAR 5:110

To Whom It May Concern:

Glover Creek Solar, LLC hereby submits for filing this Notice of Intent to file an application for a Certificate of Construction for an approximately 55 MW solar facility ("Glover Creek Project").

a. The name, address and telephone number of the person who intends to file the application is:

Glover Creek Solar, LLC 400 W. Main St., Suite 503 Durham, NC 27701 Phone: (919) 682-6822

Attention: Carson Harkrader, Chief Executive Officer

Email: charkrader@carolinasolarenergy.com

b. The proposed construction is briefly described as follows:

The Glover Creek Project will consist of approximately 320 acres of solar photovoltaic panels and associated racking (approximately 55MW), 13 inverters, decoupled battery storage which will be co-located at each inverter, and a project substation transformer which will connect to East Kentucky Power Cooperative's Patton Rd-Summershade 69kv transmission line near the community of Summer Shade in Metcalfe County, Kentucky.

- c. The street address of the proposed Glover Creek Project is 7449 Randolph-Summer Shade Road, Summer Shade, KY 42166 and the latitude and longitude are 38° 54' 4.97" N, 85° 42' 43.29" W. The Glover Creek Project is not located within the limits of any city.
- d. There is no planning or zoning commission with jurisdiction over the site.
- e. There are no local set-back requirements applicable to this site.
- Pursuant to KRS 278.704(4), the applicant will request a deviation from the setback requirements found in KRS 278.704(2).

Thank you for accepting this Notice of Intent to File Application. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need further information.

Very truly yours,

STURGILL, TURNER, BARKER & MOLONEY, PLLC

James W. Gardner

M. Todd Osterloh

Sturgill, Turner, Barker & Moloney, PLLC

333 West Vine Street, Suite 1500

Lexington, KY 40507

Telephone: (859) 255-8581

Email: jgardner@sturgillturner.com tosterloh@sturgillturner.com



## STEVEN L. BESHEAR GOVERNOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

Secretary of State Frankfort Kentucky 2014 – 445 June 13, 2014

By virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 278.702 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, I, Steven L. Beshear, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby appoint the following as members of the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting:

Elinda C. Boyles, Post Office Box 771, South Shore, Kentucky 41175, representing residents of Greenup County; and

Robert W. Carpenter, County Judge/Executive, 301 Main Street, Suite 102, Greenup, Kentucky 41144, representing Greenup County.

Please issue commissions to them.

STEVEN L. BESHEAR, GOVERNOR COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

ALISON LUNDERGAN GRIMES SECRETARY OF STATE \*James W Gardner Sturgill, Turner, Barker & Moloney, PLLC 333 West Vine Street Suite 1400 Lexington, KENTUCKY 40507

\*M. Todd Osterloh Sturgill, Turner, Barker & Moloney, PLLC 333 West Vine Street Suite 1400 Lexington, KENTUCKY 40507