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May 13, 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

Attached is a Siting Board Staff Notice setting forth the deadlines for the procedural schedule to be followed in this matter. Also attached is a Memorandum from Rebecca W. Goodman, Secretary, Energy and Environment Cabinet, dated May 5, 2020, extending the statutory deadline for the processing of the instant matter. Both the Notice and the Memorandum are being filed in the record of the above-referenced case.

Sincerely,

Kent A. Chandler Executive Director

**Enclosures** 

cc: Parties of Record



## **INTRA-AGENCY MEMORANDUM**

## KENTUCKY STATE BOARD ON ELECTRIC GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION SITING

**TO:** Case File – Case No. 2020-00043

**FROM:** Quang D. Nguyen, Assistant General Counsel

**DATE:** May 13, 2020

**RE:** Staff Notice of Procedural Schedule

On March 27, 2020, Glover Creek Solar, LLC, filed an application seeking a Construction Certificate to construct an approximately 55 megawatt merchant electric solar facility in Summer Shade, Metcalfe County, Kentucky. The following procedural schedule is established to ensure for the orderly processing of this proceeding.

Initial requests for information to Glover Creek Solar, LLC, shall be filed no later than	05/15/20
Glover Creek Solar, LLC, shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than	06/01/20
Supplemental requests for information to Glover Creek Solar, LLC, shall be filed no later than	06/15/20
Glover Creek Solar, LLC, shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than	06/29/20
Siting Board consultant's site assessment report shall be filed no later than	07/10/20
Glover Creek Solar, LLC, shall file its response addressing findings and recommended mitigation measures, if any, no later than	07/24/20
Statutory deadline based upon extension as authorized by Secretary Rebecca W. Goodman	09/23/20

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**MEMORANDUM** 

TO: PSC Staff, for dissemination

FROM: Rebecca Goodman, Secretary, Energy and Environment Cabinet

DATE: May 5, 2020

Re: COVID-19, State of Emergency

Requests for Temporary Regulatory Flexibility

As a result of the current novel coronavirus (COVID-19) emergency and under the authority delegated to me pursuant to KRS Chapter 39A and the Governor's Executive Orders, including Executive Orders 2020-243 and 2020-257, having been duly advised by the Kentucky Public Service Commission, I am implementing the following provisions in order to accommodate necessary services during the emergency.

## **Regulatory Impacts from COVID-19**

The staff of the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) is tasked by KRS 278.702 to serve as permanent administrative staff of the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting (Siting Board). With the onset of COVID-19 and the Governor's declaration of a state of emergency in the Commonwealth, the PSC staff is aware that travel and social distancing constraints have caused difficulties with completing tasks in a timely manner relating to the Siting Board, including those required to be completed by contractors. PSC staff recommends an additional 45 days be granted to allow for travel restrictions and other protocols be lifted in order to allow the contractors to conduct in-person site visits necessary to complete their site assessment reports. Under the current statutory framework, if no evidentiary hearing is conducted, the Siting Board's final determination with respect to the application must be made within 120 days of the application's filing. In order to provide adequate time for the consultants to conduct in-person site visits for their site assessment reports, for the Siting Board to meet and make a determination, and for PSC staff to process the Siting Board's determination, additional action is required.

As such, with respect to the matters currently before the Siting Board, namely docketed Case Nos. 2020-00040 & 2020-00043, the date by which the Siting Board shall, by majority vote, grant or deny a construction certificate, either in whole or in part, in



accordance with KRS 278.710, shall be extended from one hundred twenty (120) days to one hundred eighty (180) days from receipt of an administratively complete application.

Sincerely,

Rebecca W. Goodman Secretary



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