COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE KENTUCKY STATE BOARD ON ELECTRIC GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION SITING

IN THE MATTER OF:

THE ELECTRONIC APPLICATION)	
OF WEIRS CREEK SOLAR, LLC TO)	CASE NO.
TRANSFER A CONSTRUCTION)	2025-00356
CERTIFICATE PURSUANT TO KRS)	
278.710(3))	

WEIRS CREEK SOLAR, LLC'S RESPONSES TO SITING BOARD STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Comes now Weirs Creek Solar, LLC ("Weirs Creek" or "the Applicant"), by counsel, and does hereby tender its Responses to Siting Board Staff's First Request for Information entered November 25, 2025.

Filed: December 11, 2025

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VERIFICATION OF LESTER MORALES				
STATE OF FLORIDA)			
COUNTY OF PALM BEACH)			
Comes now Lester Morale being first duly sworn, and states Weirs Creek Solar, LLC to the Si referenced case, and that the matte of his knowledge, information and	that he has super ting Board Staff' ers and things set	rvised the prep s First Reques forth therein a	t for Information in the above- re true and accurate to the best inquiry.	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this ___

day of December 2024.

Notary ID: Expires:

KIM L. OTTO
MY COMMISSION # HH 470252
EXPIRES: March 28, 2028

Response 1
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Witness: Lester Morales

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Request 1: Identify the company that will employ the individuals that are, or will be, responsible for ensuring compliance with the statements in the application and any conditions imposed by the Siting Board during construction and operation of the project.

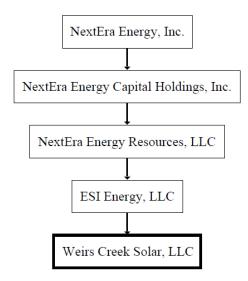
Response 1: As noted in Case No. 2025-00356,¹ Weirs Creek does not have resources or employees of its own. There has been no change in this since the December 3, 2024 Order. All individuals will be employed by NextEra Energy Resources, LLC ("NEER") or NextEra Energy Resources Operating Services, LLC ("NEER Operating Services").

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¹ Case No. Electronic Application of Weirs Cree Solar, LLC for a Certificate to Construct an Approximately 150 - Megawatt Merchant Solar Electric Generating Facility in Webster County and Hopkins County, Kentucky Pursuant to KRS 278.700 and 807 KAR 5:110, December 3, 2024 Order (Ky. SB Dec. 3, 2024).

Request 2: Provide the current corporate structure of NextEra Energy Resources, LLC (NEER), including its parent company.

Response 2:



Request 3: Provide the entire corporate structure, or membership interests, of Weirs Creek

Solar. Please see the response to Item 2.

Response 3: Please see the response to Item 2.

Request 4: Confirm that NEER will remain the parent company for the battery energy storage system (BESS) portion of the project. If not confirmed, explain the owner of the BESS.

Response 4: Confirmed.

Request 5: Confirm that NEER will retain control over both phases of the Project. If not confirmed, explain the response.

Response 5: Confirmed.

Witness: Lester Morales

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Request 6: Confirm that no entities with an ownership interest in Weirs Creek Solar have any

environmental violations. If so, disclose those environmental violations.

Response 6: As disclosed in Case No. 2024-00099, NEER is the parent entity of many

corporations that provide renewable energy. One of NEER's subsidiaries, that is the sole member

of Weirs Creek, ESI Energy, LLC ("ESI") entered into a settlement agreement related to

violations of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. The settlement is related to western wind operations.

In April 2022, ESI entered into an agreement with the United States Department of Fish and

Wildlife Service and the United States Department of Justice to resolve a dispute involving

alleged accidental eagle mortalities associated with two wind energy facilities in Wyoming and

New Mexico. ESI pled guilty to three misdemeanor violations of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act

and as a result paid fines and restitution. ESI also agreed to apply for fifty-one (51) eagle permits

at certain wind energy facilities across the United States for a settlement of all past and future

eagle mortalities for up to ten years.

The Siting Board reviewed this disclosure and found this environmental violation was not

relevant to solar facilities and found Weirs Creek, and NEER, had good environmental

compliance history.³

² Case No. 2024-00099, Application, Exhibit 11.

³ Case No. 2024-00099, December 4, 2025 Order.

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Request 7: Confirm whether NEER has had any environmental violations. If so, disclose those environmental violations.

Response 7: Please see the response to Item 6.

Request 8: Explain whether Weirs Creek Solar plans to enter into an Industrial Revenue Bond (IRB) and Payment in Lieu of Taxes agreement (PILOT) with Webster County Fiscal Court and Hopkins County Fiscal Court. If so, explain how bifurcating the project will affect these agreements.

Response 8: As of the filing of these responses, there is no IRB or PILOT agreement with Webster or Hopkins Counties. Weirs Creek plans on having discussions related to such potential agreements in the first quarter of 2026. Weirs Creek will file an update if an IRB or PILOT agreement are negotiated and executed.

Witness: Lester Morales

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Request 9: Case No. 2024-00099, Refer Mitigation Measure 29, provide evidence that notice was given to the Webster and Hopkins County Fiscal Court of the intention to bifurcate the ownership and all other aspects of the project.

Response 9: Please see Attachment 1-9 for a copy of the information that was sent to the Webster and Hopkins County Fiscal Courts.

ATTACHMENT 1-9

From: Morales, Lester

To: <u>judgeexecutive hopkinscounty.net</u>

Subject: KY-PSC Bifurcation of Solar/BESS Entities Notification

Date: Friday, December 5, 2025 10:33:08 AM

Attachments: Nebo BESS and Weirs Creek Local Notification Bifurcation DEC05 (Hopkins County).pdf

Hi Judge Whitfield,

Hope all is well. Please find attached intent to bifurcate the battery and solar facilities. Weirs Creek Solar LLC is still planning to construct a solar plus battery facility per the approved KYSB construction certificate. However, the battery facility will now have a different off-taker than Weirs Creek and required a new LLC entity name, **Nebo Energy Storage**, **LLC**. This email serves as the notification of this change per mitigation condition 9 in KY-PSC case# 2025-00356.

Please reach out with any questions.

Lester Morales
Senior Project Manager
NEXTERA ENERGY RESOURCES
(Mobile) 561.329.8620

December 3, 2025

Mr. Jack Whitfield, Jr. Hopkins County Judge Executive 56 North Main Street Madisonville, KY. 42431

Re: Case No. 2025-00356, Electronic Application of Weirs Cree Solar, LLC to Transfer a Portion of the Construction Certificate Pursuant to KRS 278.710(3), Notification of Ownership Bifurcation Related to Weirs Creek Solar, LLC and Nebo Energy Storage, LLC

Dear Mr. Whitfield:

This letter serves to notify you that Weirs Creek Solar, LLC ("Weirs Creek") is seeking approval from the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting ("KYSB") to bifurcate the Construction Certificate previously issued in Case No. 2024-00099 for Weirs Creek Solar. Weirs Creek Solar is requesting authorization to transfer the battery energy storage system ("BESS") portion of the project to a separate entity, Nebo Energy Storage, LLC ("Nebo").

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Reason for Bifurcation:

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Project Continuity:

The bifurcation and partial transfer will not alter the scope, design, or environmental impacts of the project as previously approved. Both Weirs Creek and Nebo remain committed to compliance with all conditions of the Construction Certificate and applicable regulations.

Should you have any questions or require additional information regarding this proposed action, please do not hesitate to contact Lester Morales at 561-329-8620 orlester.morales2@nexteraenergy.com.

Thank you for your consideration,

Lester Morales Senior Project Manager

Weirs Creek Solar, LLC/Nebo Energy Storage, LLC

From: Morales, Lester

To: <u>steve.henry@websterco.org</u>

Subject: KY-PSC Bifurcation of Solar/BESS Entities Notification

Date: Friday, December 5, 2025 10:35:09 AM

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Mr. Stephen R. Henry Webster County Judge Executive 25 US Hwy 41A (PO Box 155) Dixon, KY 42409

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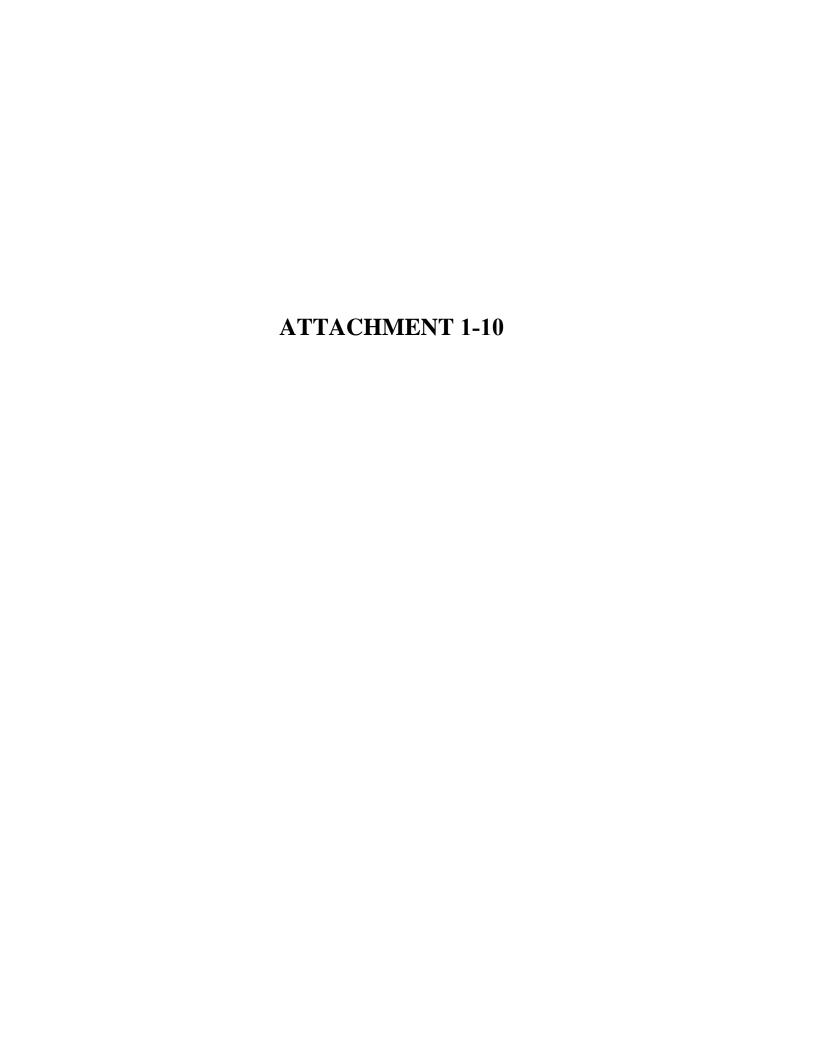
Weirs Creek Solar, LLC/Nebo Energy Storage, LLC

Request 10: Provide an updated site development plan that details the changes that will occur if the transfer is permitted.

Response 10: Please see Attachment 1-10. This is the same site plan that was approved in the December 4, 2024 Order⁴ and there has not been changes to the layout of the project site. The BESS is being placed directly adjacent to the project substation. There are no details to the site plan that will change if the transfer is permitted. The only change will be that Nebo is the holder of a portion of the construction certificate so there can be two off takers for the energy generated by the project.

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⁴ Case No. 2024-00099, December 4, 2024 Order, Appendix B.



APPENDIX B

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY STATE BOARD ON ELECTRIC GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION SITING IN CASE NO. 2024-00099 DATED DEC 03 2024

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