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#### PROJECT NO. 54611

APPLICATION OF ZIER SOLAR, LLC	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
FOR A RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDIT	§	
GENERATOR CERTIFICATION	§	OF TEXAS

#### **COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION**

On January 31, 2023, Zier Solar, LLC (Zier Solar) filed an application for a Renewable Energy Credit (REC) generator certification under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 25.173(o). Zier Solar is registered with the Commission as a power generation company under registration number 20613. Zier Solar filed supplemental information on February 22, 2023.

#### I. RECOMMENDATION REGARDING SUFFICIENCY

Staff has reviewed the supplemented application, and as supported by the attached memorandum of James Kelsaw of the Commission's Customer Protection Division, Staff recommends that the supplemented application complies with 16 TAC § 25.173(o). Therefore, Staff recommends that the supplemented application be approved.

#### II. CONCLUSION

Staff recommends that Zier Solar's supplemented application be approved. Staff respectfully requests the issuance of an order consistent with the foregoing recommendation.

Dated: February 28, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

# PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS LEGAL DIVISION

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, notice of the filing of this document will be provided to all parties of record via electronic mail on February 28, 2023 in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

/s/ Bradley Reynolds
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## Public Utility Commission of Texas

### Memorandum

TO: Bradley Reynolds – Attorney, Legal Division

FROM: James Kelsaw – Utility Analyst, Customer Protection Division

DATE: February 24, 2023

RE: Project No. 54611 - Application of Zier Solar, LLC for a Renewable Energy Credit

Generator Certification

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

On January 31, 2023, Zier Solar, LLC (Zier Solar or the Company) filed an application to certify its Zier Solar, LLC facility as a renewable energy credit (REC) generator under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 25.173(o). On February 22, 2023, Zier Solar filed an addendum to the original application. Zier Solar is registered with the Commission as a power generation company under registration number 20613. Zier Solar indicated that the metered generation eligible for RECs is 180.6 MW.

Under 16 TAC § 25.173(o)(1), a power generation company must demonstrate that the facility meets the eligibility criteria as outlined in 16 TAC § 25.173(e), which states that for a renewable facility to produce RECs and compliance premiums in the trading program it must either be a new facility, a small producer, or a repowered facility. Zier Solar meets this requirement because its Zier Solar, LLC facility qualifies as a new facility. In its application, Zier Solar also included the location, owner, technology, and rated capacity of the facility as required under 16 TAC § 25.173(o)(1).

After reviewing Zier Solar's application, I find that the Company has provided all the information required under 16 TAC § 25.173(o) and that the Zier Solar, LLC facility qualifies as a renewable resource under 16 TAC § 25.173(e). Therefore, I recommend that the Zier Solar, LLC facility be certified as REC generator. The approximate metered generation eligible for RECs is 180.6 MW. The Zier Solar facility will not be eligible to produce RECs until an order is issued approving the application.

Any subsequent changes to the information in the application are to be submitted to the Commission as supplements to this filing within 30 days of such changes.