NCSEA's 2019 Continuing Legal Education: The State of Renewable Energy Law in North Carolina

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Course Goal:

This course will explore the legal issues involved in North Carolina renewable energy law. This day long continuing legal education program (CLE) will focus on the mechanics of renewable energy for attorneys and business professionals by examining timely subjects in this sector.

CLE Credits:

All attendees will receive 6 general North Carolina CLE credits.

Course Objectives:

- Provide attendees with an annual update on regulatory and legislative developments impacting clean energy in North Carolina
- Provide attendees current information that will be useful in the year ahead for North Carolina renewable energy issues

Attendees also have the opportunity to expand their professional network and meet individuals who will be a resource for future legal and regulatory development issues.

Complimentary Wifi is available to all attendees.

Powerpoint slides and speaker bios and headshots are available through the NCSEA website with a special password we will provide to all attendees.



Course Agenda

8:00 - 8:45 A.M.	Networking & Conversation Over Breakfast
8:45 - 9:00 A.M.	Welcome & Course Introduction Karen Kemerait, Partner, Fox Rothschild • Goals of the Course • Agenda Overview
9:00 - 10:00 A.M.	 Transition from PURPA to an RFP Process for Utility Scale Solar Discussion will include considerations related to Tranche 1 of the Competitive Procurement of Renewable Energy (CPRE) program and the associated evolution of the CPRE program following HB 589 implementation in 2017. Karen Kemerait, Partner, Fox Rothschild Adam Foodman, Chief Operating Officer, O2 EMC Tim Dodge, Attorney, NC Utilities Commission - Public Staff Jack Jirak, Associate General Counsel, Duke Energy
10:00 A.M 10:30 A.M.	Break
10:30 - 11:15 A.M.	Rate Cases and Grid Modernization This panel will discuss the ongoing effects of the Duke Energy Carolinas and Duke Energy Progress rate cases and the related aspects of grid modernization, including discussions of related North Carolina Utilities Commission dockets. Panelists will also discuss the fixed customer charge and related policy issues and the costs associated with coal ash cleanup. Gudrun Thompson, Senior Attorney, Southern Environmental Law Center David Drooz, Chief Counsel, NC Utilities Commission - Public Staff John Burnett, Deputy General Counsel, Duke Energy Deborah Ross, Of Counsel, Fox Rothschild
11:15 A.M 12:00 P.M.	Consumer Access to Energy This panel will include discussion of options regarding consumer access to renewable energy which includes alternative programs from traditional generation including solar leasing, the Green Source Advantage program and green tariffs generally, and community solar. Brad Ives, Associate Vice Chancellor for Campus Enterprises & Chief Sustainability Officer University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Lauren Bowen, Staff Attorney, Southern Environmental Law Center



12:00 - 1:00 P.M.	Lunch
1:00 - 1:50 P.M.	Offshore and Onshore Wind Issues North Carolina's wind moratorium expired at the end of December 2018 – what is next for wind energy in the state in light of this event? Katherine Ross, Partner, Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP Katharine Kollins, President, Southeastern Wind Coalition Dave Blalock, Regional Counsel, U.S. Army Regional Environmental & Energy Office-South
1:50 - 2:45 P.M.	North Carolina Regulatory Issues Related to Energy Storage This panel includes an update on energy storage. FERC Order 841 has removed barriers to the participation of energy storage in the capacity, energy, and ancillary service markets operated by RTOs and ISOs and PJM is responding. The North Carolina Energy Storage Study was finalized in December 2018 and North Carolina has an opportunity to consider energy storage policies in light of that report. Finally, energy storage is implicated in the discussions around the CPRE and the QF tariff structure. Steven Shparber, Of Counsel, Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough Charlie Bayless, Vice President & Senior Regulatory Counsel, NC Electric Membership Cooperatives Ben Snowden, Counsel, Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton Laura Walter, Senior Lead Economist, PJM Interconnection
2:45 - 3:15 P.M.	Break
3:15 - 4:00 P.M.	Regulatory Reform IssuesThere has been a lot of conversation around regulatory reform issues in other states and among the clean energy industry. What are the issues surrounding decoupling, performance- based ratemaking and wholesale competition? This panel will dive into these different aspects of regulatory reform and consider the following questions: how should tradeoffs be made among competing objectives, including the need for utilities to respond to new ways customers are getting and using electricity?Jonas Monast, C. Boyden Gray Distinguished Fellow, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of LawDavid Neal, Senior Attorney, Southern Environmental Law Center Jennie Chen, Senior Counsel, Federal Energy Policy, Duke University Nicholas Institute for Environmental Policy Solutions



4:00 - 5:00 P.M.	Distributed Solar Generation or "Rooftop" Solar Issues
	This panel will cover issues related to the residential and commercial solar sector such as net metering and solar rebates. Rate design issues related to distributed solar generation will be also be discussed as it relates to customer and third-party owned solar.
	Tyson Grinstead, Director, Public Policy, Sunrun
	Thad Culley, Regional Director, Vote Solar
	Hamilton Davis, Director of Regulatory Affairs, Southern Current
	Dan Reiter, Partner, Fox Rothschild
5:00 - 5:15 P.M.	Wrap Up & Conclusion
	Peter Ledford, General Counsel, NC Sustainable Energy Association
5:15 - 5:45 P.M.	Networking & Conversation

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