



Date: July 22, 2019  
Time: 10:02 AM – 10:29AM

Participants: Hampton Dellinger, Attorney for Strata Solar  
Brian Herndon, In-House Counsel -Strata Solar  
Kevin Greene, EIS Investigator  
Thomas Beers, EIS Investigator

On the above date and time, Eagle Intel Services LLC Investigators, Kevin Greene and Thomas Beers held a conference call with Hampton Dellinger and Brian Herndon. This conference call was previously arranged via emails between Investigator Beers and Dellinger. The following was discussed during the call:

Dellinger explained that Strata Solar personnel, as requested by Eagle Intel Services (EIS), had searched their records for any and all leases involving the Cooper Family. This search included a search for the names (and variations) of Will Clark Properties LLC, Sapony Creek Properties, LLC, Roy A. Cooper, III, Kristin B. Cooper, Pell C. Cooper and Meredith G. Cooper.

After searching these names and variations, the only lease found by Strata was a ground lease agreement showing Will Clark Properties LLC as landlord. This lease was signed by Pell C. Cooper in 2013.

Dellinger explained that, also at the request of EIS, Strata Solar personnel searched for these names in all solar projects, listed in the filed Settlement Agreement between Duke and the Solar Industry on February 2, 2018. (These projects were to receive grandfathered contract and rate terms pursuant to HB 589).

Dellinger said that Strata Solar found no projects listed in the settlement agreement that related to the names associated with the Cooper Family.

Herndon explained that the search was a comprehensive search. Any project showing a lessee with a corporate entity was searched further to determine if that corporate entity related to one of the Cooper Family names.

Dellinger said that Markus Wilhelm and his former wife, Kathy Wilhelm, are the owners of Strata Solar. Markus is actively involved with Strata and his name appears on most legal documents including leases and LLCs. Kathy is not an active participant and her name will not likely show up on legal documents.



According to Herndon, even though Markus Wilhelm's name appeared on the lease involving Will Clark Properties, he most likely was not involved with the negotiations of that lease. Cullen Morris was the leader of the North Carolina based development team at the time of the lease and was the person that most likely negotiated the Will Clark Lease on behalf of Strata Solar. Morris left Strata Solar in 2014 to start his own company, Cooperative Solar.

Dellinger stated he will reach out to EIS investigators later in the week to provide requested information on an email sent by Markus Wilhelm to Gov Roy Cooper in August 2017.

Dellinger said he is inclined to only allow Markus Wilhelm and Brian O'Hara to provide written statements to EIS Investigators. EIS Investigator Beers reiterated prior requests to interview Wilhelm and O'Hara in person. Dellinger said he would consider the request and respond with a decision later in the week or early the following week.