

**04 NCAC 12D .0132 DISPOSITION OF PETITIONS FOR RULEMAKING**

(a) If the State Energy Director determines the petition to be complete in accordance with Rule .0102 of this Section, the Director shall notice a hearing at least 15 days before the hearing's scheduled date.

(b) The petitioner shall be afforded the opportunity to present the petition to the Director if so requested in accordance with Rule .0102(b)(6) of this Section. The State Energy Office may also make a presentation to the Director.

(c) The Director shall allow one interested person to present the viewpoint of those who oppose initiating rulemaking. The Director shall determine whether additional interested persons are permitted to make oral presentations during the hearing. Interested persons shall request the opportunity to make a presentation to the Director through the State Energy Office, in accordance with Rule .0101 of this Section, at least five days prior to the scheduled hearing. The request shall:

- (1) state the interest of the person in the petition for rulemaking;
- (2) state the person's position on the petition; and
- (3) be accompanied by any supporting materials.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 143-58.4(c); 143B-344.44(b)(3); 150B-20; Eff. April 1, 2021.*