

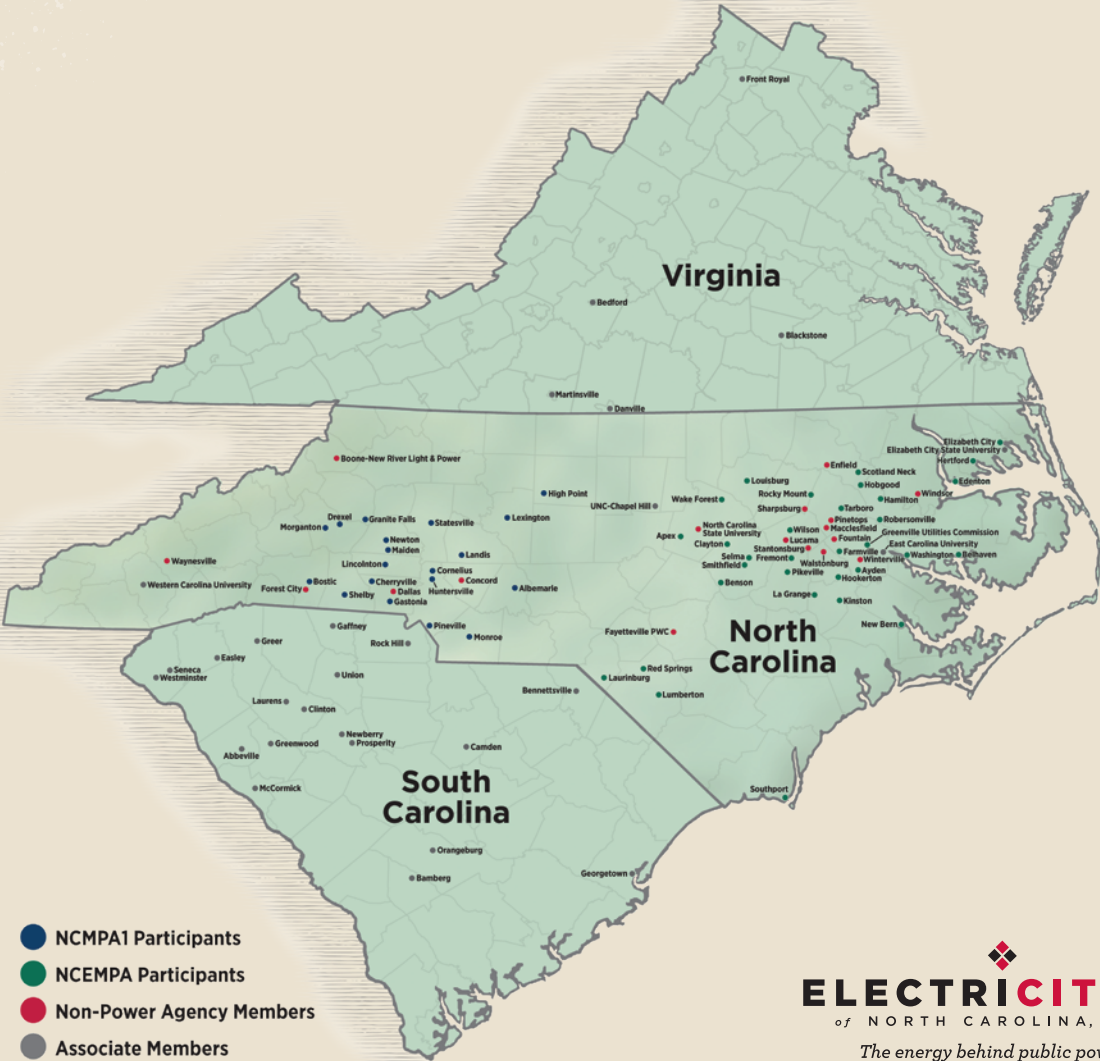
UNDERSTANDING ELECTRICITIES

A Focus on People, Not Profit

2025

ElectriCities delivers value to public power communities

in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia through collective strength, wisdom, and action while promoting a more successful future.



WHAT ARE PUBLIC POWER PROVIDERS?

Public power providers—electric utilities—are a division of local government. Like public schools and libraries, they are owned by the community and run by boards of local officials who are accountable to the citizens.

Public power communities set their own retail rates and decide when to invest in their infrastructure. And, while they’re not-for-profit, if revenues do exceed expenses, those resources stay in the community and help with other needs.

In public power communities, the utility’s employees—the lineworkers, customer service representatives, and other specialists—are local municipal employees. As members of the community, they are dedicated to keeping the lights on for their neighbors.



ABOUT ELECTRICITIES

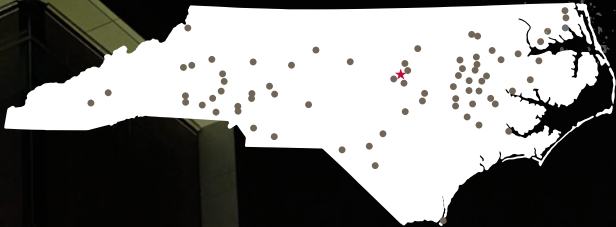
ElectriCities of North Carolina, Inc., the energy behind public power, is a not-for-profit membership organization that provides the expertise and shared services public power providers need to thrive.

SERVICES:

- Benchmarking & Best Practices
- Business & Key Account Services
- Collaboration & Events
- Customer Service & Communication Resources
- Distribution System Operations
- Economic Development
- Industry News & Memberships
- Legislative Affairs
- Mutual Aid
- Rate Planning
- Rebates & Grants
- Regulatory Compliance & Reporting
- Residential Energy Services
- Retail Billing Support
- Safety Services
- Technology Support Services
- Training & Workforce Development
- Wholesale Power Supply Operations
- Wholesale Power Supply Planning & Contract Management
- Wholesale Power Supply Transmission & Distribution Interconnection Management



Service lists for each membership type are available with additional service details.



- ElectriCities members are focused on providing safe, reliable, and environmentally sustainable electric power to their customers at the lowest reasonable cost.
- In North Carolina, public power illuminates the homes and workplaces of nearly 1.6 million people.
- The majority of ElectriCities' members are part of either North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1 (NCMPA1) or North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency (NCEMPA). ElectriCities manages the two Power Agencies to meet their members' electric power needs.
- ElectriCities is governed by a Board of Directors. Board members are elected by the Boards of Commissioners of the two Power Agencies and the non-Power Agency Board.



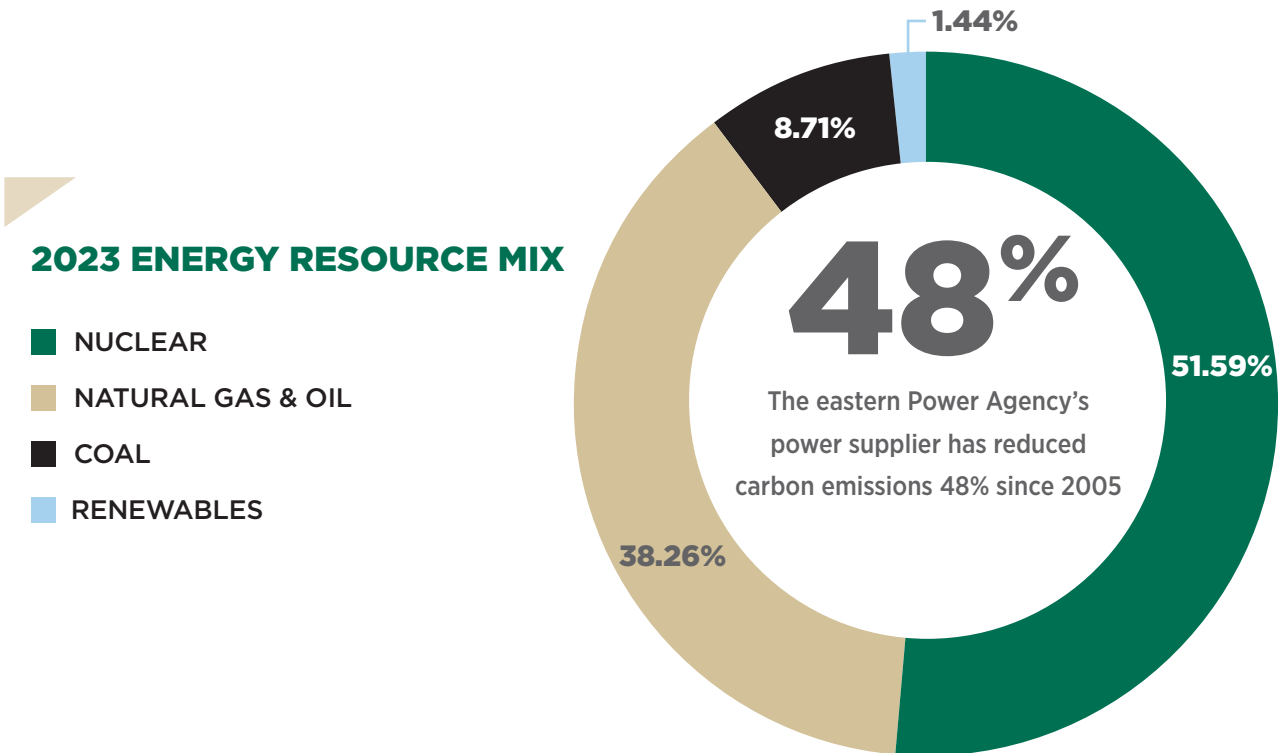
E. Main Street, Albemarle, N.C.

THE POWER AGENCIES:
N.C. EASTERN MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY
32 cities and towns in eastern North Carolina



The eastern Power Agency has a full-requirements contract with Duke Energy Progress. That means, with some small exceptions, NCEMPA's resource mix is a representative slice of Duke Energy Progress' resource mix.

Duke Energy Progress has reduced carbon emissions 48% since 2005. In 2023, more than half of NCEMPA's resource mix was emissions-free.

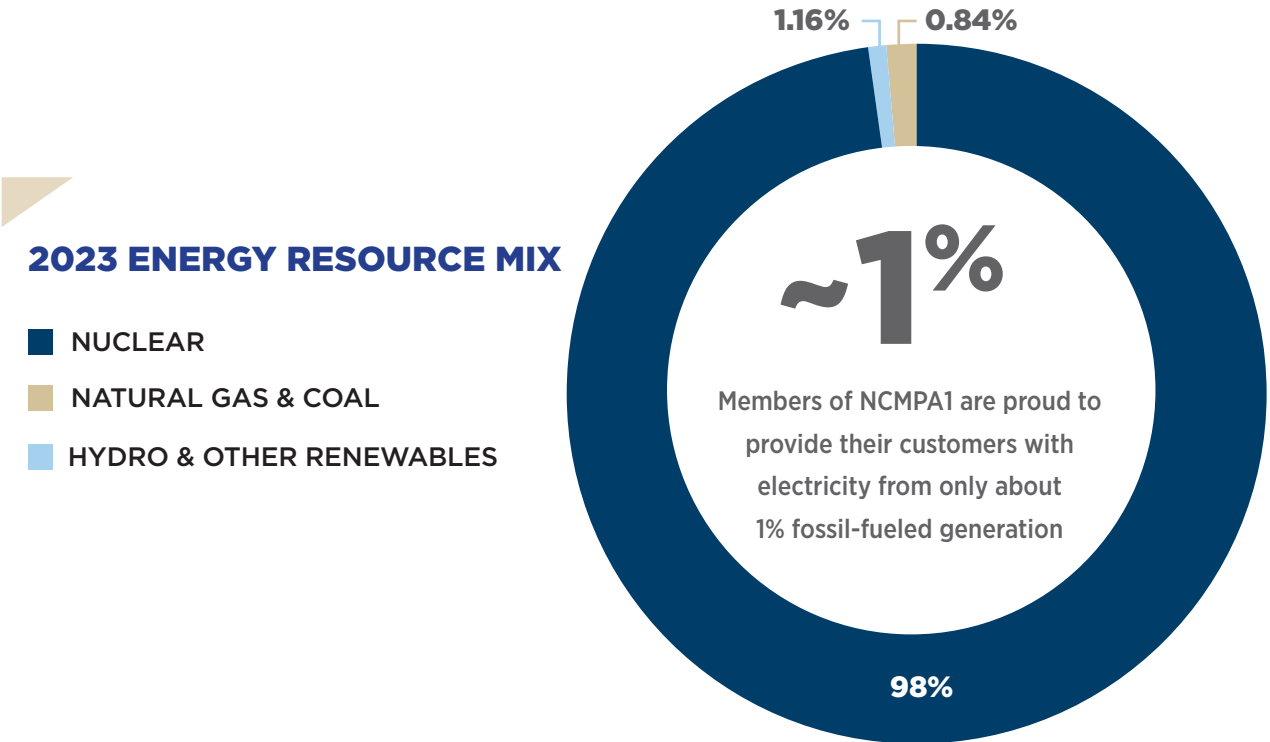


THE POWER AGENCIES:
N.C. MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NUMBER 1
19 cities and towns in piedmont and western North Carolina



The 19 cities and towns that make up NCMPA1 are served primarily by nuclear energy—an emissions-free generation source. As part of the state's Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard, each community buys a mix of non-nuclear renewable energy certificates as well.

NCMPA1 communities' power supply is 98% nuclear energy.



LOCAL OWNERSHIP MEANS LOCAL CONTROL

Public power providers are locally owned, locally operated, and locally controlled. They don't answer to shareholders or investors—they answer to their community.

Local ownership means:

- Increased reliability
- Decisions made in local communities
- Unmatched customer service
- Increased transparency
- Support for local government
- More efficient operations
- Low-cost power
- Support for local priorities, values, and choices of the community
- Local jobs that support local economies



Solar Array in Fayetteville, N.C.



EV Charging Station in New Bern, N.C.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: LOCAL CONTROL + GLOBAL EXPOSURE

Local control means public power communities have the ability to partner with business and industry on development projects both big and small.

And, being an ElectriCities member provides access to a wide range of economic development programs, including industrial site certification, marketing, and advisory services aimed at helping member communities grow.



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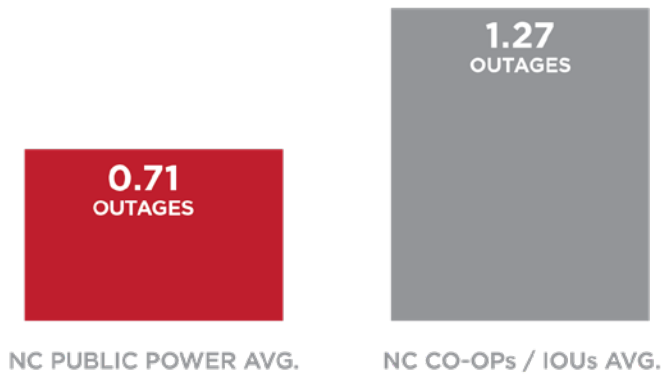


Smart Site® in Rocky Mount, N.C.

The ElectriCities economic development team promotes member communities to new and expanding businesses across the United States and beyond.

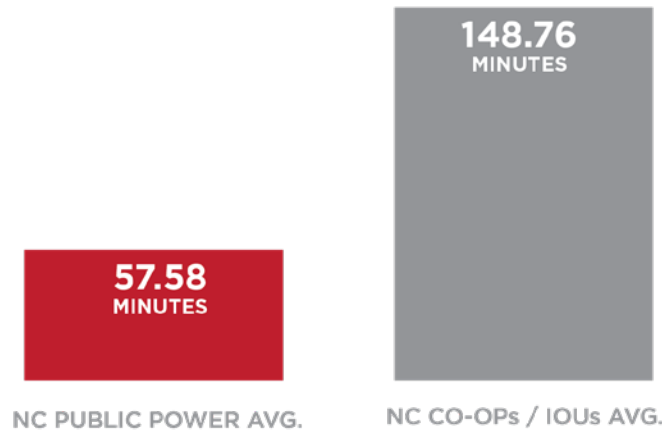
RELIABILITY

Average Annual Number of Outages per Customer*



Public power customers in North Carolina experience 44% fewer outages than other power providers' customers.

Average Annual Outage Time per Customer*



And when the power does go out, the outage lasts, on average, only about one-third the time of other providers.

* Based on 2019-2023 data reported to the U.S. Energy Information Administration

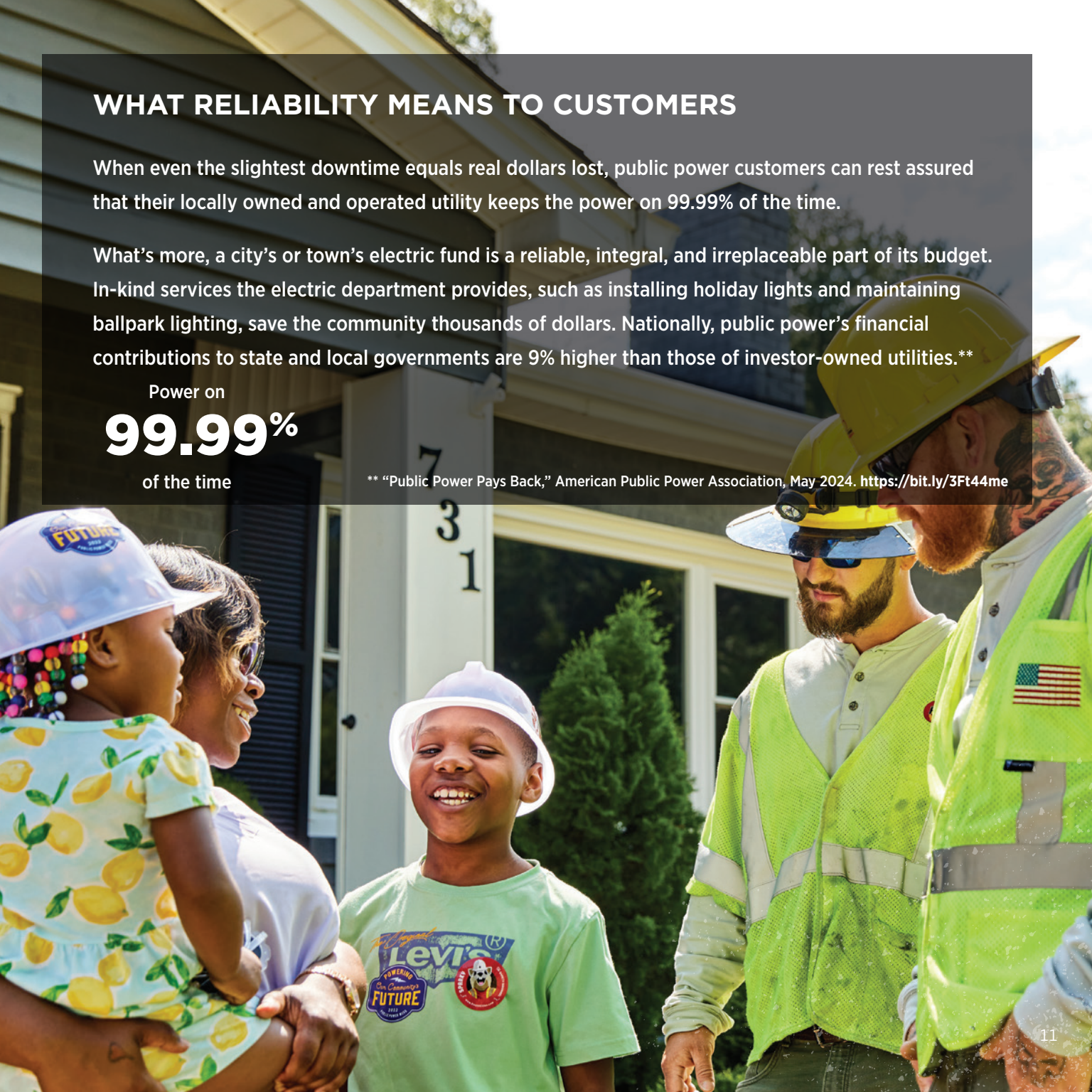
WHAT RELIABILITY MEANS TO CUSTOMERS

When even the slightest downtime equals real dollars lost, public power customers can rest assured that their locally owned and operated utility keeps the power on 99.99% of the time.

What's more, a city's or town's electric fund is a reliable, integral, and irreplaceable part of its budget. In-kind services the electric department provides, such as installing holiday lights and maintaining ballpark lighting, save the community thousands of dollars. Nationally, public power's financial contributions to state and local governments are 9% higher than those of investor-owned utilities.**

Power on
99.99%
of the time

** "Public Power Pays Back," American Public Power Association, May 2024. <https://bit.ly/3Ft44me>



ElectriCities delivers value to:

NCMPA1 MEMBERS

Albemarle, N.C. Lexington, N.C.
Bostic, N.C. Lincolnton, N.C.
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Landis, N.C.

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Fayetteville Public
Works Commission
Forest City, N.C.
Fountain, N.C.
Lucama, N.C.
Macclesfield, N.C.
New River Light & Power
North Carolina State Univ.
Pinetops, N.C.
Sharpsburg, N.C.
Stantonsburg, N.C.
Walstonburg, N.C.
Waynesville, N.C.
Windsor, N.C.
Winterville, N.C.

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Commission Selma, N.C.
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