

August 22, 2022

**VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY**

Shonta Dunston  
Chief Clerk  
North Carolina Utilities Commission  
4325 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, North Carolina

RE: Duke Energy Progress, LLC and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Notice of  
Change in Date of Application Period to Begin on January 11, 2023  
Docket No. E-2, Sub 1167  
Docket No. E-7, Sub 1166

Dear Ms. Dunston:

This letter is being filed to provide the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("the Commission") with notice, and Commission action is not required. Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-155(f)(3) and Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP") and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's ("DEC") (collectively, "the Companies") approved solar rebate riders, the Companies will begin accepting and selecting applications through a random selection process beginning on January 11, 2023, for the unsubscribed capacity that is still available on January 1, 2023.

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-155(f)(3) states in pertinent part, "Any set-aside rebates that are not used by December 31, 2022, shall be allocated for use by any customer who otherwise qualifies." Consistent with that, the Companies' solar rebate riders state, "Any unsubscribed capacity, regardless of any set aside requirements, available at January 1, 2023, shall be available to any customer meeting the rider qualifications."

In DEP and DEC's Joint Biannual Program Report, filed on April 1, 2022, the Companies outlined their plans for the 2023 rollover allocation. The Companies are adjusting that plan to shift the random selection process one week later to update the system to allow any eligible customer to receive a rebate. The current allocation, which includes set-asides, will remain open until December 31, 2022. The system changes for the rollover allocation will not go live until the beginning of January. Having the application period open the first week in January does not provide sufficient time to perform tests and avoid any glitches.

Therefore, instead of opening the application window on January 4, 2023, the Companies will begin accepting application at 9:00 AM, Wednesday, January 11, 2023, and the application window will close at 9:00 AM, Wednesday, January 18, 2023. The Companies will conduct the random selection process after the close of the application window. Communication to customers regarding the application status will be communicated by January 31, 2023.

Consistent with the 90-day rule, customers who install their system on or after October 13, 2022, will be eligible for a rebate, as well as customers planning new installations. To ensure customers and installers are aware of the dates, the Companies will email interested customers and installers, provide notice on their website, and schedule a webinar.

The Companies anticipate 3,000-4000 kW of remaining capacity from the nonprofit set-asides for each company will be available to any customer meeting the rider qualifications, but this estimate is subject to change. The Companies continue to update their website monthly with the total carry forward nonprofit capacity available for DEC and DEP. The Companies do not plan to reopen the application in July 2023. The waitlist that is established during the January 2023 random selection process will remain until all customers with rebate reservations are paid.

Additionally, the Companies note their riders specifically set the date for the application periods in 2021 and 2022. For 2023, a specific application period is not required either by statute or by Commission Order, provided that any unsubscribed capacity is available to customers after December 31, 2022. As such, no Commission action is required, and this letter is provided for informational purposes only. The Companies have shared the contents of this letter with the Public Staff and has been authorized to represent that the Public Staff does not object to the approach laid out in the letter.

As soon as this week, the Companies will begin the developmental changes to modify the system for the January 2023 launch. The Companies' plan for the 2023 rollover allocation will help ensure that all the capacity available is used in an orderly and smooth process.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



Brady W. Allen

cc: Parties of Record