STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-35, SUB 51

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Western Carolina University)	ORDER GRANTING MOTION
for an Adjustment of Rates and Charges)	FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
for Electric Service in North Carolina)	

BY THE CHAIR: On March 9, 2020, Western Carolina University (WCU) filed an application with the Commission requesting authority to adjust its rates for retail electric service in its service area in Jackson County, North Carolina. WCU filed an amended application on June 24, 2020. WCU operates an off-campus electric distribution system that serves approximately 3,170 residential customers and 230 commercial customers. The present rates have been in effect since 2016, with annual purchased power adjustments.

On July 17, 2020, the Commission issued an Order scheduling a remote hearing in this proceeding on Thursday, September 10, 2020, solely for the purpose of receiving the testimony of public witnesses and scheduling the hearing to resume on Monday, September 14, 2020, at 2:00 p.m. and continuing as required for testimony and cross-examination of witnesses for WCU, the Public Staff, and other intervenors. That Order also established Thursday, August 20, 2020, as the deadline for the Public Staff and intervenors to file the direct testimony and exhibits of their witnesses.

No persons have sought to intervene in this proceeding.

On August 20, 2020, the Public Staff filed a motion requesting a one-day extension of the deadline to file its testimony and exhibits. In support of its motion, the Public Staff states that it needs the additional time due to the amount of work involved in another pending general rate case. The Public Staff further states that it has contacted counsel for WCU and WCU has no objection to the one-day extension.

Based upon the foregoing and the entire record herein, the Chair finds good cause to grant the Public Staff's requested extension. Therefore, the Public Staff shall file the direct testimony and exhibits of its witness(es) on or before Friday, August 21, 2020.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 20th day of August, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Joann R. Snyder, Deputy Clerk