STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 831

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

| In the Matter of | | |
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| Application of Piedmont Natural Gas |) | ORDER GRANTING IN PART MOTION TO EXCUSE WITNESSES |
| Company, Inc., for Annual Review of Gas |) | |
| Costs Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.4(c) |) | |
| and Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6) |) | |

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On August 1, 2023, in the above-captioned proceeding Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (Piedmont), prefiled the testimony and exhibits of Todd Breece, Jeffrey Patton, and Linda Miller, and on September 18, 2023, the Public Staff prefiled the testimony of Sonja R. Johnson and Blaise C. Michna.

On September 29, 2023, Piedmont and the Public Staff jointly filed a motion to excuse the appearance of the parties' witnesses, noting that there are no matters in dispute between the parties and that each has agreed to waive cross-examination of the other party's witnesses.

The Commission has questions for the parties in this proceeding, and the Presiding Commissioner, therefore, finds good cause to grant the joint motion and excuse from appearing Piedmont witnesses Breece and Miller and Public Staff witness Michna, and to deny the joint motion and not excuse from appearing Piedmont witness Patton and Public Staff witness Johnson.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 2nd day of October, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Tamika D. Conyers, Deputy Clerk