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September 20, 2021

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
4325 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-4300

**RE: Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Proof of Publication
Docket No. E-2, Sub 1275**

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Attached for filing in the above-referenced docket are the Affidavits of Publication for the Public Notice related to the Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP") pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-110.8 and Commission Rule R8-71 for Approval of the Competitive Procurement of Renewable Energy Cost Recovery Rider. DEP published the notice in newspapers having general coverage in its service territory.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jack Jirak", written in a cursive style.

Jack E. Jirak

Enclosures

cc: Parties of Record

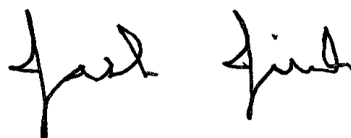
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Proof of Publication, in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1275, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery, or by depositing a copy in the United States Mail, 1st Class Postage Prepaid, properly addressed to parties of record.

This the 20th day of September, 2021.



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*ATTORNEY FOR DUKE ENERGY
PROGRESS, LLC*

The
Courier-Tribune

Affidavit of Publication

State of North Carolina,
Randolph County

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify the
advertisement attached
hereto has been published in

The Courier Tribune
on the following dates:

8-3-21
8-10-21

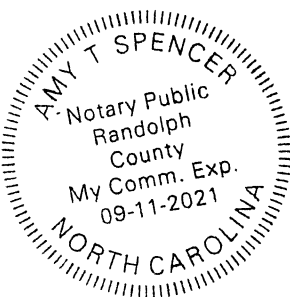
Sworn to on this 11th day
of Aug, 2021.

Brenda Perea

Courier-Tribune Representative

Sworn to and Subscribed
Before me this 11 day
of Aug, 2021.

Amy T. Spencer
Notary Public



<p>STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH</p> <p>DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1275</p> <p>BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION</p>	
<p>In the Matter of</p> <p>Application Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-110.8 and Commission Rule R8-71 for Approval of Competitive Procurement of Renewable Energy Program Compliance Report and Competitive Procurement of Renewable Energy Program Cost Recovery Rider</p>	<p>)</p> <p>) PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>)</p>
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<p>211888 7/21</p>	<p>NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION</p> <p><u>A. Shorita Dunston</u> A. Shorita Dunston, Interim Chief Clerk</p>

CITIZEN-TIMES

PART OF THE USA TODAY NETWORK

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

BUNCOMBE COUNTY

NORTH CAROLINA

Before the undersigned, a Notary Public, duly commissioned, qualified and authorized by law to administer oaths, personally appeared said legal clerk, who, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: that he/she is the **Legal Clerk of The Asheville Citizen-Times**, engaged in publication of a newspaper known as **The Asheville Citizen-Times**, published, issued, and entered as first class mail in the City of Asheville, in Buncombe County and State of North Carolina; that he/she is authorized to make this affidavit and sworn statement; that the notice or other legal advertisement, a true copy of which is attached here to, was published in **The Asheville Citizen-Times** on the following date(s) 8/4/2021; 8/11/2021. And that the said newspaper in which said notice, paper, document or legal advertisement was published was, at the time of each and every publication, a newspaper meeting all of the requirements and qualifications of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and was a qualified newspaper within the meaning of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

Signed this 11th of August, 2021



Legal Clerk

Sworn to and subscribed before the 11th of August, 2021



Notary Public of State of Wisconsin, County of Brown

5.15.23

My Commission expires.

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NANCY HEYRMAN
Notary Public
State of Wisconsin

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1275

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of

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NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION


A. Shonta Dunston, Interim Chief Clerk

AFFP
E-2, SUB 1275

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF NC } SS
COUNTY OF HARNETT }

The Undersigned, being duly sworn, says:

That she is Representative of the The Daily Record, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Dunn, Harnett County, NC; that the publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the said newspaper on the following dates:

August 03, 2021, August 10, 2021

This newspaper is qualified for legal advertising in accordance with N.C.G.S. 1-597 AND 1-598

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

SIGNED:

Martha E. Jones-Carter
Representative

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 10th day of August 2021.

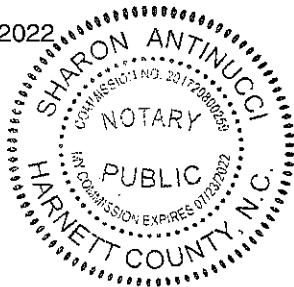
Sharon Antinucci

, Harnett County, NC

My commission expires: July 23, 2022

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TDR - Classifieds Dawn Sutton
DUKE ENERGY -
410 S WILMINGTON ST.
NCRH 20
RALEIGH, NC 27601



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UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

NORTH CAROLINA
Cumberland County


DUKE ENERGY BUSINESS SERVICES
410 S WILMINGTON ST, NCRH 20
RALEIGH, NC 27601

Before the undersigned, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and authorized to administer oaths, affirmations, etc., personally appeared said Legal Clerk. Who, being duly sworn or affirmed, according to law, doth depose and say that he/she is a LEGAL CLERK of DB North Carolina Holdings, Inc., a corporation organized and doing business under the Laws of the State of Delaware, and publishing a newspaper known as the FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER, in the city of Fayetteville, County of Cumberland and State of North Carolina, and that as such he/she makes this affidavit; that he/she is familiar with the books, files and business of said Corporation and by reference to the files of said publication the attached advertisement was inserted in the aforesaid newspaper in space and on dates as follows:

August 3, 2021, August 10, 2021

and at the time of publication The Fayetteville Observer was a newspaper meeting all the requirements and qualifications prescribed by Sec. No. 1-597 G.S. of N.C.

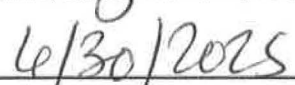
The above is correctly copied from the books and files of the aforesaid corporation and publication.



Legal Clerk



Notary Public, State of Wisconsin, County of Brown



My commission expires

sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence by this the
20th day of September, 2021.

FEE: \$2513.70
AD #: 0005250705

AMY KOKOTT
Notary Public
State of Wisconsin

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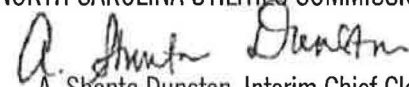
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NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION


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Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF NC }
COUNTY OF WAYNE }

SS

David Rouse, being duly sworn, says:

That he is David Rouse, Network Manager of the
Goldsboro News-Argus, a daily newspaper of general
circulation, printed and published in Goldsboro, Wayne
County, NC; that the publication, a copy of which is
attached hereto, was published in the said newspaper on

August 03, 2021, August 10, 2021

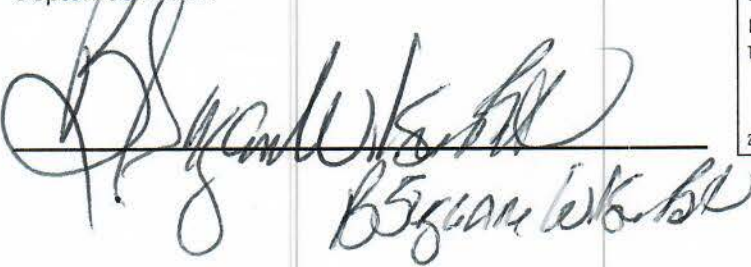
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SIGNED:



David Rouse, Network Manager

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 15th day of
September 2021.


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My commission expires: 11/21/2024

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Duke Energy
410 S Wilmington St
Mailcode: NCRH20
Raleigh, NC 27601

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
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Before the undersigned, a Notary Public of said County and State, duly commissioned, qualified, and authorized by law to administer oaths, personally appeared DIANE ROBBINS, who being first duly sworn, deposes and says: that she is Publisher (Owner, partner, publisher, or other officer or employee authorized to make this affidavit) of Henderson Newspapers, Inc., engaged in the publication of a newspaper known as The Daily Dispatch, published, issued, and entered as second class mail in the City of Henderson, in said County and State; that she is authorized to make this affidavit and sworn statement; that the notice or other legal advertisement, a true copy of which is attached hereto, was published in The Daily Dispatch on the following dates:

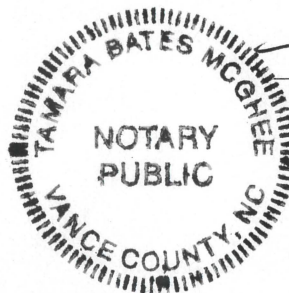
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This 13th Day of August, 2021

Diane Robbins
Diane Robbins

Sworn to and subscribed before me,
this 13th Day of August, 2021



Tamara Bates McGhee
Tamara Bates McGhee

Notary Public

My commission expires:

May 28, 2023

Ad Info is
attached.



AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Before the undersigned, a Notary Public of said County and State, duly commissioned, qualified, and authorized by law to administer oaths, personally appeared DIANE ROBBINS, who being first duly sworn, deposes and says: that she is Publisher (Owner, partner, publisher, or other officer or employee authorized to make this affidavit) of Henderson Newspapers, Inc., engaged in the publication of a newspaper known as The Daily Dispatch, published, issued, and entered as second class mail in the City of Henderson, in said County and State; that she is authorized to make this affidavit and sworn statement; that the notice or other legal advertisement, a true copy of which is attached hereto, was published in The Daily Dispatch on the following dates:

August 10, 2021

and that the said newspaper in which such notice, paper, document, or legal advertisement was published was, at the time of each and every such publication, a newspaper meeting all of the requirements and qualifications of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and was a qualified newspaper within the meaning of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

This 13th Day of August, 2021

Diane Robbins

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Sworn to and subscribed before me,
this 13th Day of August, 2021

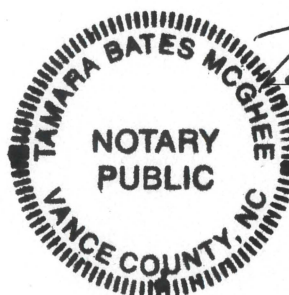
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DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1275

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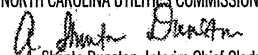
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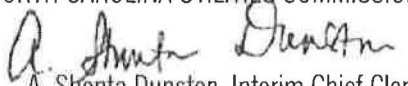
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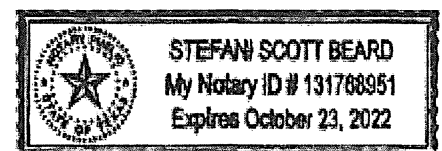
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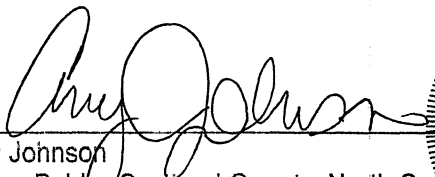
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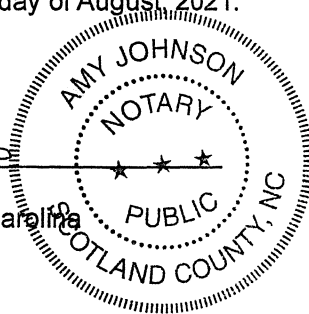


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Masking

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recommendation was the amount of students who are ineligible for the vaccine (those younger than 12 years old). Additionally, there is an absence of a system to determine the number of students who are vaccinated in each classroom.

If students were not required to wear masks, Smith said that quarantines of students could occur and a shift back to the hybrid model of in-person and virtual person from last year could be a possibility. Smith said that the universal masking will prevent that from happening.

Chairman Wiley Mabe called the universal masking policy “prudent.”

Changes in COVID-19-related policies this year

The universal masking requirement allows for changes from the previous COVID-19 affected school year.

Field trips and assemblies

will be permitted for the upcoming school year. Students will no longer be kept in separate cohorts. Traffic flow in the hallways, which was previously directed by staff and signs, will not be monitored. Daily symptom and temperature screenings which were conducted each morning will not take place this year.

“If you’ve ever been outside of school at 7:30 in the morning, you know that there are long lines because of the temperature checks,” Smith said. “We can eliminate that and get back to a more normal routine.”

There is no longer a limit on non-essential visitors.

Masks may be removed when students are outside.

Smith said that all of these changes, with a policy of universal masking, will reduce transmission of COVID-19.

Fewer than 1 in 3,000 students who were in school buildings became infected with COVID-19, according to The ABC Science Collaborative. The Collaborative also stated that when students and teachers are



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The Richmond County Schools Board of Education learned about the universal masking policies Tuesday evening.

masked, the distance maintained between people does not matter.

This coming year, if a student has an underlying condition that increases the risk for severe illness from COVID-19, or if a student resides with someone with the same increased risk, a medical evaluation form completed by a physician can be submitted.

Virtual students will be assigned a Remote Learning Facilitator, who will be a certified teacher that will



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Superintendent Dr. Jeff Maples recommended the plan for universal masking.

phone call,” Smith said.

Schools will continue to wipe down and clean high-touch areas, such as handrails and door knobs. Water fountains will still be unavailable for the next school year.

Students are no longer limited to eating lunch in the classroom. Smith said that schools are currently working on plans that will allow for students to eat in the safest manner possible.

Smith concluded by saying that the universal mask-

ing allows for and supports in-person learning for the upcoming school year.

Richmond Early College High School will have their first day of school on August 11. Other RCS schools will begin on August 23.

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The Health Department has only been putting out its local COVID-19 Dashboard on a weekly basis since the cases slowed down over the early summer months. Following a suggestion from Vice Chair Justin Dawkins, who called into the meeting remotely, Land said they would likely return to posting it daily, which Dawkins said would help to raise the awareness of the severity of the pandemic’s impact locally and hopefully encourage more to get vaccinated.

Land said that there are an average of about 30 people a day getting their first dose of the Moderna vaccine. About 41% of the eligible population has received at least one dose of the vaccine, according to Land, but he said this is “still not where we need to be.” Interim Health Director Cheryl Speight agreed, say-



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From left, Commissioners Tavares Bostic and Rick Watkins, and Chairman Jeff Smart wear masks in the Board of Commissioners’ regular monthly meeting room in the Richmond County Judicial Center for the first time since they returned to in-person meetings.

ing in an email that the reason Richmond County was deemed to be at a “critical” level of community spread as of July 17 was due to the low vaccination rate and the prevalence of the new, more contagious delta variant.

“One major cause of our increase in cases is a low vaccination rate for our county and the spread of the highly transmissible Delta variant among mostly unvaccinated individuals,” Speight said. “The main solution is to increase vaccination rates. If individuals are not eligible for the vaccine or choose not to get vaccinated, masks and social distancing in groups of people other than those in their household is recommended.”

She added that anyone with concerns about taking the vaccine should talk to a trusted medical provider and, in the meantime she urged those who are hesitant to take the vaccine to “please protect yourself and those close to you by wearing a mask and keeping a safe dis-

tance.”

The only other county to have been at the “critical” level of community spread since July, according to the most recent data, was Bladen County. While Richmond County’s hospital and medical providers are only seeing a “slight impact” to their availability of hospital beds, it’s the 14-day case rate per 100,000 people and the 14-day percent positive statistics that are pushing Richmond County above the rest.

Asked whether she thinks that the relaxation of restrictions locally has contributed to the county’s increased spread, Speight said the rules weren’t relaxed too quickly, and that the posture the county was in prior to this new spate of restrictions — which allowed for vaccinated individuals to go without masks and social distancing, but continued to require unvaccinated people to mask and social distance — was sufficient.

The state is offering incentives for people to get vac-

inated. Starting Aug. 4, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services will fund \$100 gift cards (while supplies last) from the Richmond County Health Department to those over the age of 18 who get vaccinated to offset the time and transportation costs it takes them to get to the vaccination site.

Additionally, the state has allocated \$445,281 to the Richmond County Health Department to enhance the county’s surveillance, epidemiology, lab capacity, infection control, mitigation, communications, and other preparedness and response activities involved in fighting the pandemic. The Board of Commissioners unanimously approved the budget amendment to allow for these funds Tuesday.

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Duke Energy Progress filed an application and testimony relative to the subject matter of the proceeding on June 15, 2021. The proposed change in rates is related to fuel and fuel-related costs. The proposed change would result in a decrease of the present fuel and fuel-related rates of all customer classes, with the amount of the decrease varying for different customer classes. The decrease in the monthly bill of a typical residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt hours per month would be \$0.10, excluding the regulatory fee. The change in all fuel and fuel-related rates would be effective for service rendered on and after December 1, 2021.

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This the 7th day of July, 2021.

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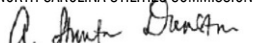
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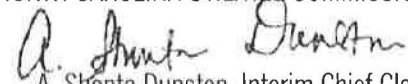
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