

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1213
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DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1219

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1213)
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In the Matter of)
Petition of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC,)
for Approval of Prepaid Advantage Program)
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DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1214)
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In the Matter of)
Application by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC,)
for Adjustment of Rates and Charges)
Applicable to Electric Utility Service in)
North Carolina)
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DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1187)
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In the Matter of)
Application of Duke Energy Carolinas,)
LLC, for an Accounting Order to Defer)
Incremental Storm Damage Expenses)
Incurred as a Result of Hurricanes Florence)
and Michael and Winter Storm Diego)
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DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1219)
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In the Matter of)
Application by Duke Energy Progress, LLC,)
for Adjustment of Rates and Charges)
Applicable to Electric Utility Service in)
North Carolina)

ORDER PROVIDING
ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS
FOR CONSOLIDATED, REMOTE
EXPERT WITNESS HEARING

BY THE CHAIR: On June 17, 2020, in the above-captioned dockets, the Commission issued an Order Adopting Procedures for Expert Witness Hearings (Expert Witness Hearing Order) involving the rate case applications of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC), and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP; together with DEC, Duke). The Expert Witness Hearing Order set out requirements for the consolidated, remote phase of the

Duke rate case hearings, which included the filing of: a the list of witnesses for the remote portion of the hearing, a statement of consent to the remote hearing, and potential cross-examination and redirect exhibits.

On June 18, 2020, the Commission issued an Order Lifting Suspension and Requiring Filing of Paper Copies (Order Lifting Suspension). The Suspension Order required parties to provide to the Chief Clerk's office paper copies of certain filings made in these dockets.

In preparation for the consolidated, remote phase of the hearings the Chair finds good cause to clarify, modify, and expand the requirements of the Expert Witness Hearing and Suspension Orders as the Commission continues to refine its procedures for remote hearings. The Chair notes that the consolidated Duke rate case hearings involve tremendous challenges due to the number of parties to the proceeding and the complex nature of the issues presented. The success of the consolidated, remote hearing will require the continued patience and flexibility of all parties.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That the Order Lifting Suspension does not apply to the filings required in this order. To the extent additional filings are made in these dockets that require the filing of paper copies under the Rules and Regulations of the Commission, parties must contact the Clerk's office to coordinate the delivery of the paper copies.

No paper copies should be provided to the Chief Clerk's office for exhibits or other filings required by this order;

2. That on or before July 21, 2020, Duke shall file a statement in the docket confirming that all parties to the DEC and DEP rate cases have consented to the Commission holding the consolidated phase of the hearing by remote means;

3. That on or before July 21, 2020, Duke shall consult with the parties and file an updated list of witnesses, order of witnesses, and estimated times for cross-examination of each witness for the consolidated, remote phase of the hearings. In addition, the list should note the attorney appearing for each party as a participant for each witness;

4. That on or before Wednesday, July 22, 2020, each party shall file a list of its potential cross-examination exhibits for the consolidated, remote phase of the hearing. Each party must also provide an electronic copy of its potential cross-examination exhibits which have been labeled with the party name and numbered sequentially notwithstanding the number of witnesses to the Commission and all other parties to the docket. For example, Public Staff 1, Public Staff 2, Public Staff 3, and so forth;

5. That on or before Friday, July 24, 2020, each party shall file a list of any potential redirect exhibits for the consolidated remote phase of the hearing. Each party must also provide an electronic copy of its potential redirect exhibits labeled with the party

name and numbered sequentially notwithstanding the number of witnesses to the Commission and all other parties to the docket; and

6. That by the end of the business day following the conclusion of each witness' testimony, each party using cross-examination or redirect exhibits in the hearing must file in the docket the following:

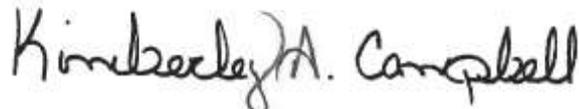
1. A list of that party's cross-examination and redirect exhibits moved into the record, noted by date and by witness;
2. A copy of that party's cross-examination and redirect exhibits moved into the record, marked and numbered as indicated during the hearing;
3. A list of that party's cross-examination and redirect exhibits introduced but not moved into the record; and
4. A copy of that party's cross-examination and redirect exhibits introduced, but not moved into the record, marked and numbered as indicated during the hearing but clearly identified as introduced and not moved into the record.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 17th day of July, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Handwritten signature of Kimberley A. Campbell in black ink.

Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk