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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Gail Mount Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 4325 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4325

RE: NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1073

Dear Ms. Mount:

Enclosed for filing is Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy's, and the Public Staff's Joint Motion for Witnesses to be Excused from Appearance at Evidentiary Hearing in the above-referenced docket.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1073

In the Matter of) **DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS,**) Application by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC) LLC'S, SOUTHERN for Approval of Demand-Side Management) ALLIANCE FOR CLEAN and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider **ENERGY, AND PUBLIC**) Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §62-133.9 and **STAFF'S JOINT MOTION FOR**) **Commission Rule R8-68** WITNESSES TO BE EXCUSED) FROM APPEARANCE AT)) **EVIDENTIARY HEARING**))

Now comes Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("Company" or "Duke Energy Carolinas"), Southern Alliance for Clean Energy ("SACE"), and the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Public Staff"), and request the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Commission") for an order excusing all witnesses from testifying at the June 2, 2015 Evidentiary Hearing. In support of this motion, Duke Energy Carolinas, SACE, and the Public Staff show the following:

1. Duke Energy Carolinas' witnesses have pre-filed testimony and exhibits in support of the Company's Application in this docket.

2. The Public Staff's witnesses have filed affidavits recommending approval of the Company's proposed billing factors described in the Supplemental Testimony and Exhibits of Carolyn T. Miller and the Supplemental Exhibits of Conitsha B. Barnes as filed on May 15, 2015 in this docket.

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3. SACE's witness has filed testimony and exhibits in which he supports the Commission's approval of Rider 7 in this docket.

4. Counsel for Duke Energy Carolinas has consulted with counsel for all parties to this docket and all parties agree to waive cross-examination of all of the Company's witnesses, and offer no objection to the introduction of their testimony and exhibits into the record.

5. Additionally, counsel for the Public Staff has consulted with counsel for all parties to this docket, and all the parties to this docket have consented to waive cross-examination of the Public Staff's witnesses, and offer no objection to the introduction of their affidavits into the record.

6. Counsel for SACE has also consulted with counsel for all parties to this docket, and all the parties to this docket have consented to waive crossexamination of SACE's witness, and offer no objection to the introduction of his testimony and exhibits into the record.

Accordingly, Duke Energy Carolinas, SACE, and the Public Staff request that all of the witnesses be excused from appearing at the June 2, 2015 hearing in this docket and that the pre-filed testimony, exhibits, and affidavits of the respective witnesses be received into the record.

Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of May, 2015.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's, SACE's, and Public Staff's Joint Motion for Witnesses To Be Excused From Appearance at Evidentiary Hearing in Docket No. E-7 Sub 1073 has been served by electronic mail (e-mail), hand delivery, or by depositing a copy in the United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, properly addressed to the parties of record.

This, the 22nd day of May, 2015.

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