

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 697
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BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Annual Integrity Management Rider Report)	
of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.,)	PUBLIC STAFF'S MOTION
Pursuant to Appendix E of Its Service)	FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
Regulations)	

NOW COMES THE PUBLIC STAFF – North Carolina Utilities Commission, by and through its Executive Director, Christopher J. Ayers, and, respectfully moves for an extension of time for the filing of its report, as well as the response of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (Piedmont). In support thereof, Public Staff shows the following:

1. Pursuant to Piedmont's Integrity Management Rider (IMR) mechanism, which is Appendix E of Piedmont's Service Regulations, the Public Staff is to prepare and file with the Commission by February 15, 2017, a report of its review of Piedmont's Annual Integrity Management Rider Report (Annual IMR Report), which was filed in these dockets on October 31, 2016. According to the IMR, Piedmont shall have until March 1, 2017, to respond to the Public Staff's report.

2. The Public Staff has been working diligently on its report; however, needs additional time to finalize the report. The Public Staff has conferred with Piedmont, and Piedmont does not object to the granting of this extension.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth, the Public Staff respectfully requests that the Commission extend the time for the Public Staff to file its report to March 1, 2017. The Public Staff also requests that the Commission extend the time for Piedmont to file its response to March 15, 2017.

Respectfully submitted, this the 14th day of February, 2017.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of the foregoing upon each of the parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record by emailing them an electronic copy or by causing a paper copy of the same to be hand-delivered or deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, properly addressed to each.

This the 14th day of February, 2017.

Electronically submitted
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