## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1095D DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1100D DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 682D

## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Third-Party Independent Audits of Affiliate	)	ORDER APPROVING
Transactions Pursuant to Regulatory	)	SCHEDULE FOR AUDIT
Condition No. 5.8	)	REVIEW AND COMMENTS

BY THE CHAIR: On March 26, 2020, the Commission issued an Order Approving Audit Procedural Schedule in the above-captioned dockets. The Order, among other things, set July 23, 2020, as the date by which the Public Staff was required to file the final report by Schumaker & Company (Schumaker), on Schumaker's audit of the affiliate transactions entered into by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, Duke Energy Progress, LLC, and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (collectively Duke utilities). After obtaining an extension of time, the Public Staff filed Schumaker's audit report on July 28, 2020.

On August 25, 2020, the Duke utilities and Public Staff (Movants), filed a proposed procedural schedule with dates for the Duke utilities, the Public Staff, and Schumaker to discuss the recommendations in the audit report, file a statement, or separate statements, detailing their points of agreement and disagreement, for interested parties to file comments on the audit report recommendations and the statements filed by the Duke utilities and the Public Staff; and for parties to file proposed orders. The Movants proposed the following audit review procedural schedule.

Action	Due Date
Duke utilities provide Public Staff a list of issues in contention and issues in agreement	September 14, 2020
Duke utilities, Public Staff and Schumaker discuss recommendations in the audit report, reaching agreement where possible	October 14, 2020
Duke utilities and Public Staff file statement or separate statements detailing points of agreement and disagreement	November 4, 2020

Action	Due Date
Petitions to Intervene	November 12, 2020
Initial Comments of any intervenors on audit recommendations and statements filed by Duke utilities and Public Staff	November 24, 2020
Reply Comments on statements by Public Staff, Duke utilities, and intervenors	December 15, 2020
Proposed orders	January 12, 2021

Based on the foregoing and the record, the Chair finds good cause to approve the audit review and comment schedule proposed by the Duke utilities and Public Staff.

## IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That on or before September 14, 2020, the Duke utilities shall provide the Public Staff a list of audit report issues in contention and issues in agreement;
- 2. That after meeting(s) to discuss their points of agreement and disagreement on the audit report, the Duke utilities and Public Staff shall file a joint statement detailing their points of agreement, and separate statements detailing their points of disagreement, if any, on or before November 4, 2020;
- 3. That all parties to Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 1095, E-7, Sub 1100, and G-9, Sub 682 are hereby deemed to be parties to this proceeding without the necessity of filing a petition to intervene;
- 4. That the Chief Clerk shall serve this Order by electronic service on all parties to Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 1095, E-7, Sub 1100, and G-9, Sub 682;
- 5. That on or before November 12, 2020, interested parties may file petitions to intervene in this proceeding;
- 6. That on or before November 24, 2020, interested parties may file comments on the audit report, audit recommendations, and the Duke utilities' and Public Staff's audit recommendations and statements of agreement and disagreement;
- 7. That on or before December 15, 2020, the Duke utilities, Public Staff, and other parties may file reply comments; and

8. That on or before January 12, 2021, the Duke utilities and Public Staff shall file proposed orders, or a joint proposed order, and other parties may file proposed orders.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 27th day of August, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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