

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 726

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION:

In the Matter of:  
Application of Optima TH, LLC for  
Approval to Participate in Alternative Gas  
Pilot Program

**NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION  
OF COUNSEL**

Optima TH, LLC (“Applicant”) respectfully provides notice to the North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Commission”) and all other parties in this docket of a substitution of their counsel of record. The Applicant shows the Commission as follows:

1. Counsel of record for the Applicant has been

Deborah K. Ross  
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2. As a result of the election of Deborah K. Ross to the United States House of Representatives, Ms. Ross will no longer be actively practicing law after December 31, 2020.

3. The Applicant has chosen to substitute the following attorney as its counsel of record for this proceeding:

M. Gray Styers, Jr.  
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4. The Applicant respectfully requests that from this date forward all filings and communications regarding this proceeding be served on or directed to its new counsel of record as set forth herein.

5. The new counsel of record consents to electronic service of all filings and communications relating to this proceeding.

This 30th day of December, 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "M. Gray Styers, Jr." in a cursive script.

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Notice of Substitution of Counsel by Optima TH, LLC has been served this day upon each of the parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record either by deposit in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, or by email transmission.

This 30th day of December, 2020.



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