## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1213 DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1214 DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1187

## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1213
In the Matter of ) Petition of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, for ) Approval of Prepaid Advantage Program )
DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1214 )
In the Matter of ) Application by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, for ) Adjustment of Rates and Charges Applicable to ) Electric Utility Service in North Carolina
DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1187
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 )

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO ACCEPT INTO EVIDENCE PREFILED SUPPLEMENTAL REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF WITNESS JAY OLIVER AND LIVE TESTIMONY OF WITNESS JAY OLIVER IN DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS, LLC, HEARING

BY THE CHAIR: On September 15, 2020, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC), prefiled the Supplemental Rebuttal Testimony of Jay W. Oliver (Oliver SRT), in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1214 (Sub 1214), DEC's general rate case application. Witness Oliver's SRT was filed in response to the Supplemental Testimony of Public Staff witness Jeff Thomas. Further, it was filed in a timely manner pursuant to the Commission's Order issued herein on September 4, 2020.

Witness Oliver was not scheduled to appear as a witness and was not called for cross-examination during the DEC-specific expert witness hearing in Sub 1214. As a result, DEC was unable to follow the normal process to admit witness Oliver's SRT into evidence in Sub 1214.

On October 6, 2020, DEC filed a motion requesting that the Commission accept witness Oliver's SRT into evidence in Sub 1214. In summary, DEC stated that the

admission of witness Oliver's SRT is justified as a result of the timing of his testimony and the procedures adopted to address specific issues in DEC's rate case application, and will not prejudice any party to this proceeding. Further, DEC noted that witness Oliver's SRT is related to his similar prefiled testimony in the Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP), general rate case application in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1219 (Sub 1219), and that he appeared as a witness in the expert witness hearing in Sub 1219, thus resulting in his prefiled DEP testimony being admitted in Sub 1219 in the normal course of that hearing. In addition, DEC stated that witness Oliver was cross-examined by counsel for Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc. (CUCA), and was asked a question by Presiding Commissioner Daniel G. Clodfelter during the DEP-specific hearing in Sub 1219.

Moreover, DEC stated that it has conferred with the intervenors to this docket about its motion and has received no objections from any party to the relief sought. In addition, DEC stated that in its discussions with counsel for CUCA he requested as a condition of CUCA's consent to the motion that witness Oliver's live testimony in the DEP-specific hearing in Sub 1219 also be copied into the DEC-specific Sub 1214 record, primarily for the purpose of including CUCA's cross-examination of witness Oliver in both Sub 1214 and Sub 1219. DEC stated that it has no objection to this request.

In a subsequent email exchange with Commission Staff, the attorneys for DEC and CUCA clarified that the Oliver testimony in the DEP-specific hearing sought to be included in the Sub 1214 record is found in the DEP-specific Sub 1219 Transcript at Volume 16, p. 222, line 1 through p. 232, line 9.

Based on DEC's motion and the record, the Chair finds good cause to admit into evidence in Sub 1214 Jay W. Oliver's prefiled Supplemental Rebuttal Testimony, and to admit into evidence in Sub 1214 Jay W. Oliver's testimony found in the DEP-specific Sub 1219 Transcript at Volume 16, p. 222, line 1 through p. 232, line 9.

## IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That the Supplemental Rebuttal Testimony of Jay W. Oliver prefiled on September 15, 2020, by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1214 shall be, and is hereby, admitted into evidence;
- 2. That the Court Reporter shall file an addendum to Volume 29 of the DEC-specific hearing transcript to include in Volume 29 the Supplemental Rebuttal Testimony of Jay W. Oliver prefiled on September 15, 2020, in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1214; and
- 3. That the Court Reporter shall also include in the aforesaid addendum to Volume 29 of the DEC-specific hearing transcript the testimony of witness Jay W. Oliver

given by witness Oliver in the DEP-specific hearing in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1219 and recorded in the Sub 1219 Transcript at Volume 16, p. 222, line 1 through p. 232, line 9.

## ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 14th day of October, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk