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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. A. Shonta Dunston
Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
4325 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

**RE: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; Duke Energy Progress, LLC and
Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.'s Motion for Extension of Time
Docket Nos. E-7, Sub 1100D; E-2, Sub 1095D and G-9, Sub 682D**

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Please find enclosed for filing Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; Duke Energy Progress, LLC and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.'s Motion for Extension of Time in the above-referenced dockets.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "KR" followed by a stylized flourish.

Kathleen H. Richard

Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record

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**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

<p>In the Matter of</p> <p>Comprehensive, Third-Party, Independent)</p> <p>Audits of Transactions, Services, and)</p> <p>other Affiliate Dealings Pursuant to the)</p> <p>Regulated Utility-to-Regulated Utility)</p> <p>Service Agreement and other Utility-to-)</p> <p>Utility Service Agreements)</p>	<p>MOTION BY DUKE ENERGY</p> <p>CAROLINAS, LLC; DUKE</p> <p>ENERGY PROGRESS, LLC AND</p> <p>PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS</p> <p>COMPANY, INC. FOR</p> <p>EXTENSION OF TIME</p>
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NOW COME Duke Energy Progress, LLC (“DEP”); Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (“DEC”) and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (“Piedmont”) (collectively “the Companies”), by and through counsel and pursuant to Rule R1-9 of the North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Commission”) Rules and Regulations, and request a two-month extension of time to propose an auditor to conduct the comprehensive, third-party audit of transactions, services, and other affiliate dealings pursuant to utility-to-utility service agreements, as set forth in Regulatory Condition No. 5.8(a)(i). In support, the Companies show the following:

1. Regulatory Condition No. 5.8(a) provides that no less often than every two years, a third-party independent audit shall be conducted related to the affiliate transactions undertaken pursuant to Affiliate agreements filed in accordance with all conditions approved by the Commission concerning affiliate transactions, including the propriety of the transfer pricing of goods and services between or among DEC, DEP, Piedmont, other Affiliates and all of the Nonpublic Utility Operations.

2. Due to the press of other business, the process to select an auditor has not been initiated. In past audits, the Public Staff has prepared a formal Request for Proposals (“RFP”), which include a detailed description of the scope of the audit that is reviewed by the Companies prior to issuance. After the RFP is issued, interviews of respondents will be conducted, and the Public Staff will make a recommendation of the auditor to the Commission. See, e.g., Docket No. E-7, Sub 986D.

3. The Companies request an additional two months, to and including May 31, 2023, so that the Public Staff has sufficient time to issue the RFP, with the consultation of the Companies, and to conduct the interviews in order to make its recommendation of an auditor.

4. The Companies are authorized to state that the Public Staff does not object to this motion.

WHEREFORE, the Companies respectfully request that the Commission grant an extension of time to and including May 31, 2023 to commence the comprehensive, third-party audit of the Companies’ affiliate transactions under the utility-to-utility service agreements and for any such further relief as the Commission deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted, this the 27th day of March, 2023.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; Duke Energy Progress, LLC and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.'s Motion for Extension of Time, in Docket Nos. E-7, Sub 1100D; E-2, Sub 1095D and G-9, Sub 682D, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid to parties of record.

This the 27th day of March, 2023.



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