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VIA ELECTRONIC FILINGMs. M. Lynn Jarvis
Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
430 N. Salisbury Street, Dobbs Building
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Re: Docket No. G-9, Sub 710

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

Pursuant to G. S. § 62-133.4(c) and Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6), I have enclosed the *Direct Testimony of Sarah E. Stabley*, the *Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Michelle R. Mendoza*, and the *Direct Testimony and Exhibits of MaryBeth Tomlinson* attesting to the prudence of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.'s gas purchasing practices and the accuracy of Piedmont's gas cost accounting for the twelve month period ended May 31, 2017.

The required fifteen copies of these documents are being sent to the Commission's office via UPS Overnight.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, you may reach me at the number shown above.

Sincerely,

/s/ James H. Jeffries IV
James H. Jeffries IV

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Enclosures

cc: Bruce Barkley
Pia Powers
Beth Culpepper