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September 20, 2021

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 Progress, LLC's Proof of Publication
Docket No. E-2, Sub 1273**

Dear Ms. Dunston

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are Duke Energy Progress, LLC's ("DEP") Affidavits of Publication for the Public Notice in the annual proceeding for approval of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider. DEP published the notice in the newspapers having general coverage in its service territory.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kendrick C. Fentress". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kendrick C. Fentress

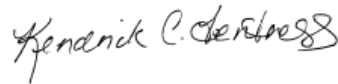
Enclosures

cc: Parties of Record

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Proof of Publication, in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1273, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid to the parties of record.

This the 20th day of September, 2021.



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The
Courier-Tribune

Affidavit of Publication

State of North Carolina.
Randolph County

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify the
advertisement attached
hereto has been published in

The Courier Tribune
on the following dates:

8-3-21
8-10-21

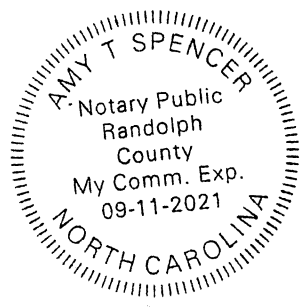
Sworn to on this 11th day
of Aug, 2021.

Brenda Poole

Courier-Tribune Representative

Sworn to and Subscribed
Before me this 11 day
of Aug, 2021.

Amy T. Spencer
Notary Public



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1273

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION
A. Shonta Dunston
A. Shonta Dunston, Interim Chief Clerk

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NORTH CAROLINA

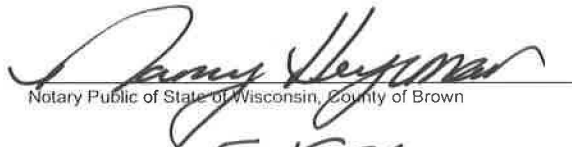
Before the undersigned, a Notary Public, duly commissioned, qualified and authorized by law to administer oaths, personally appeared said legal clerk, who, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: that he/she is the **Legal Clerk of The Asheville Citizen-Times**, engaged in publication of a newspaper known as **The Asheville Citizen-Times**, published, issued, and entered as first class mail in the City of Asheville, in Buncombe County and State of North Carolina; that he/she is authorized to make this affidavit and sworn statement; that the notice or other legal advertisement, a true copy of which is attached here to, was published in **The Asheville Citizen-Times** on the following date(s) 8/4/2021; 8/11/2021. And that the said newspaper in which said notice, paper, document or legal advertisement was published was, at the time of each and every publication, a newspaper meeting all of the requirements and qualifications of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and was a qualified newspaper within the meaning of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

Signed this 11th of August, 2021



Legal Clerk

Sworn to and subscribed before the 11th of August, 2021



Notary Public of State of Wisconsin, County of Brown

5.15.23

My Commission expires.

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NANCY HEYRMAN
Notary Public
State of Wisconsin

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
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NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION


A. Shonta Dunston, Interim Chief Clerk

AFFP
E-2, SUB 1273

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF NC } SS
COUNTY OF HARNETT }

The Undersigned, being duly sworn, says:

That she is Representative of the The Daily Record, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Dunn, Harnett County, NC; that the publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the said newspaper on the following dates:

August 03, 2021, August 10, 2021

This newspaper is qualified for legal advertising in accordance with N.C.G.S. 1-597 AND 1-598

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

SIGNED:

Maude E. Jones-Carter
Representative

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 10th day of August 2021.

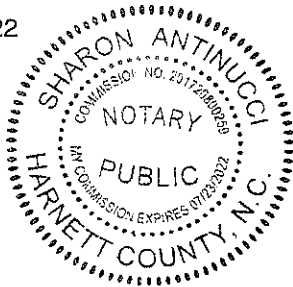
Sharon Antinucci

, Harnett County, NC

My commission expires: July 23, 2022

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TDR - Classifieds Dawn Sutton
DUKE ENERGY -
410 S WILMINGTON ST.
NCRH 20
RALEIGH, NC 27601



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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

NORTH CAROLINA
Cumberland County

DUKE ENERGY BUSINESS SERVICES
410 S WILMINGTON ST, NCRH 20
RALEIGH, NC 27601

Before the undersigned, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and authorized to administer oaths, affirmations, etc., personally appeared said Legal Clerk. Who, being duly sworn or affirmed, according to law, doth depose and say that he/she is a LEGAL CLERK of DB North Carolina Holdings, Inc., a corporation organized and doing business under the Laws of the State of Delaware, and publishing a newspaper known as the FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER, in the city of Fayetteville, County of Cumberland and State of North Carolina, and that as such he/she makes this affidavit; that he/she is familiar with the books, files and business of said Corporation and by reference to the files of said publication the attached advertisement was inserted in the aforesaid newspaper in space and on dates as follows:

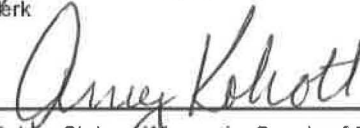
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and at the time of publication The Fayetteville Observer was a newspaper meeting all the requirements and qualifications prescribed by Sec. No. 1-597 G.S. of N.C.

The above is correctly copied from the books and files of the aforesaid corporation and publication.



Legal Clerk



Notary Public, State of Wisconsin, County of Brown



My commission expires

sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence by this the
20th day of September, 2021.

FEE: \$2513.70
AD #: 0005250710

AMY KOKOTT
Notary Public
State of Wisconsin

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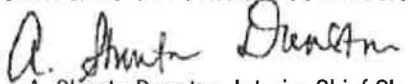
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Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF NC }
COUNTY OF WAYNE }

SS

David Rouse, being duly sworn, says:

That he is David Rouse, Network Manager of the
Goldsboro News-Argus, a daily newspaper of general
circulation, printed and published in Goldsboro, Wayne
County, NC; that the publication, a copy of which is
attached hereto, was published in the said newspaper on

August 03, 2021, August 10, 2021

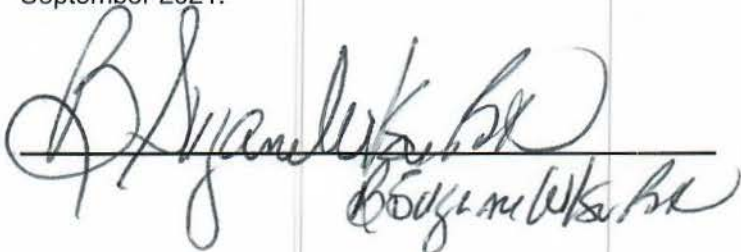
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SIGNED:



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Subscribed to and sworn to me this 15th day of
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My commission expires:

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Duke Energy
410 S Wilmington St
Mailcode: NCRH20
Raleigh, NC 27601



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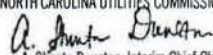
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Before the undersigned, a Notary Public of said County and State, duly commissioned, qualified, and authorized by law to administer oaths, personally appeared DIANE ROBBINS, who being first duly sworn, deposes and says: that she is Publisher (Owner, partner, publisher, or other officer or employee authorized to make this affidavit) of Henderson Newspapers, Inc., engaged in the publication of a newspaper known as The Daily Dispatch, published, issued, and entered as second class mail in the City of Henderson, in said County and State; that she is authorized to make this affidavit and sworn statement; that the notice or other legal advertisement, a true copy of which is attached hereto, was published in The Daily Dispatch on the following dates:

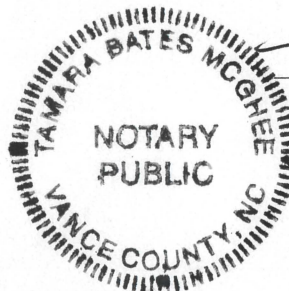
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Diane Robbins
Diane Robbins

Sworn to and subscribed before me,
this 13th Day of August, 2021



Tamara Bates McGhee
Tamara Bates McGhee

Notary Public
My commission expires:
May 28, 2023

Ad Info is
attached.



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and that the said newspaper in which such notice, paper, document, or legal advertisement was published was, at the time of each and every such publication, a newspaper meeting all of the requirements and qualifications of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and was a qualified newspaper within the meaning of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

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Diane Robbins

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Sworn to and subscribed before me,
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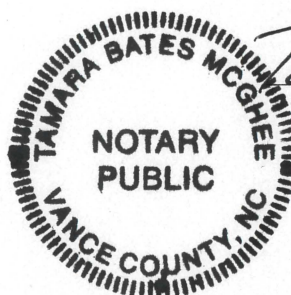
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DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1273

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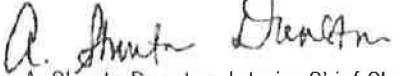
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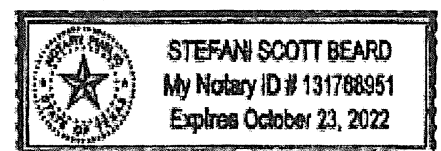
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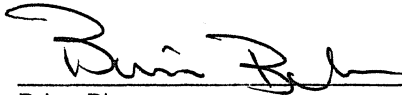
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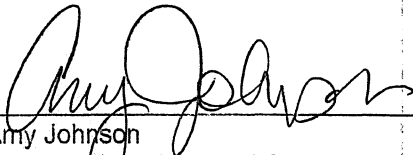
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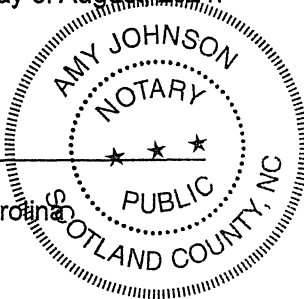


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Landlords, tenants fill courts as eviction moratorium ends

Michael Casey
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Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Gabe Imondi, a 74-year-old landlord from Rhode Island, had come to court hoping to get his apartment back. He was tired of waiting for federal rental assistance and wondered aloud “what they’re doing with that money?”

Hours later, Luis Vertentes, in a different case, was told by a judge he had three weeks to clear out of his one-bedroom apartment in nearby East Providence. The 43-year-old landscaper said he was four months behind on rent after being hospitalized for a time.

“I’m going to be homeless, all because of this pandemic,” Vertentes said. “I feel helpless, like I can’t do anything even though I work and I got a full-time job.”

Scenes like this played out from North Carolina to Virginia to Ohio and beyond Monday as the eviction system, which saw a dramatic drop in cases before a federal moratorium expired over the weekend, rumbled back into action. Activists fear millions will be tossed onto the streets as the delta variant of the coronavirus surges.

The Biden administration allowed the federal moratorium to expire over the weekend and Congress was unable to extend it.

But on Tuesday the administration appeared to offer a reprieve for many. The government planned to put in place a new eviction moratorium that would protect areas where 90% of the U.S. population lives, according to three people familiar with the plans, who insisted on anonymity to discuss the forthcoming announcement.

The move followed protests from Democratic lawmakers over the swift end to the moratorium as the delta variant of the coronavirus surges.

Historic amounts of rental assistance allocated by Congress had been expected to avert a crisis. But the distribution has been painfully slow: Only about \$3 billion of the first tranche of \$25 billion had been distributed through June by states and localities. A second amount of \$21.5 billion will go to the states.

More than 15 million people live in households that owe as much as \$20 billion to their landlords, according to the Aspen Institute. As of July 5, roughly 3.6 million peo-

ple in the U.S. said they faced eviction in the next two months, according to the U.S. Census Bureau’s Household Pulse Survey.

In Columbus, Ohio, Chelsea Rivera showed up Monday at a Franklin County court after receiving an eviction notice last month. A single mom, she’s behind \$2,988 in rent and late fees for the one-bedroom apartment she rents for herself and three young sons.

The 27-year-old said she started to struggle after her hours were cut in May at the Walmart warehouse where she worked. She’s applied to numerous agencies for help but they’re either out of money, have a waiting list, or not able to help until clients end up in court with an eviction notice.

Rivera said she’s preparing herself mentally to move into a shelter with her children.

“We just need help,” she said, fighting back tears. “It’s just been really hard with everyday issues on top of worrying about where you’re going to live.”

But there was more optimism in Virginia, where Tiara Burton, 23, learned she would be getting federal help and wouldn’t be evicted. She initially feared the worst when the moratorium lifted.

“That was definitely a worry yesterday,” said Burton, who lives in Virginia Beach. “If they’re going to start doing evictions again, then I’m going to be faced with having to figure out where me and my family are going to go. And that’s not something that anyone should have to worry about these days at all.”

She was relieved to learn she was approved for assistance through the Virginia Rent Relief Program. Her court hearing was postponed 30 days, during which time she and her landlord can presumably work things out.

“I’m grateful for that,” she said. “That’s another weight lifted off of my shoulders.”

For some tenants, getting assistance has proven impossible.

After her landlord refused federal assistance to cover \$5,000 in back rent, Antoinette Eleby, 42, of Miami, expects an eviction order within two to three weeks. She is sending her five children to live with her mother in another county.

“My main concern is that now that I have an eviction, how will I find another place? Some places will accept you and some will not,” said

Eleby, whose entire family got COVID-19 earlier this year.

Around the country, courts, legal advocates and law enforcement agencies had been gearing up for evictions to return to pre-pandemic levels, a time when 3.7 million people were displaced from their homes every year, or seven every minute, according to the Eviction Lab at Princeton University.

Some cities with the most cases, according to the Eviction Lab, are Phoenix with more than 42,000 eviction filings, Houston with more than 37,000, Las Vegas with nearly 27,000 and Tampa more than 15,000. Indiana and Missouri also have more than 80,000 filings.

While the moratorium was enforced in much of the country, there were states like Idaho where judges ignored it, said Ali Rabe, executive director of Jesse Tree, a non-profit that works to prevent evictions in the Boise metropolitan area. “Eviction courts ran as usual,” she said.

That was much the way things played out in parts of North Carolina, where on Monday Sgt. David Ruppe knocked on a weathered mobile home door in Cleveland County, a rural community an hour west of Charlotte.

“We haven’t seen much of a difference at all,” he said.

He waited a few minutes on the porch scattered with folding chairs and toys. Then a woman opened the door.

“How are you?” he asked quietly, then explained her landlord had started the eviction process. The woman told Ruppe she’d paid, and he said she’d need to bring proof to her upcoming Aug. 9 court date.

Ruppe, who has two young sons, said seeing families struggle day-after-day is tough.

“There’s only so much you can do,” he said. “So, if you can offer them a glimmer of hope, words of encouragement, especially if there’s kids involved. Being a father, I can relate to that.”

Casey reported from Boston. Associated Press writers Ben Finley in Virginia Beach, Virginia; Andrew Welsh-Huggins in Columbus, Ohio; Sarah Morgan in Cleveland County, North Carolina, and Curt Anderson in St. Petersburg, Florida, contributed to this report.



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Luis Vertentes, a tenant from East Providence, R.I., stands before Judge Walter Gorman during an eviction hearing, Monday, Aug. 2, 2021, in Providence. Rhode Island tenants facing eviction after the lifting of a federal moratorium on being ousted for unpaid rent plead their case in court. Vertentes agreed to leave his residence, which he has not paid rent on in four months, in about three weeks.



Landlord Gabe Imondi waits for proceedings to start outside an eviction hearing courtroom, Monday, Aug. 2, 2021, in Providence. Rhode Island tenants facing eviction after the lifting of a federal moratorium on being ousted for unpaid rent plead their case in court. Imondi estimates he’s out nearly \$20,000 from renters who did not pay their rents since September.

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On June 15, 2021, DEP filed direct testimony and exhibits in support of its application for REPS cost recovery and 2020 REPS compliance report. By its application, DEP proposes to implement the following monthly REPS rates, not including regulatory fee, effective for service rendered on and after December 1, 2021: a \$1.41 charge for residential customers; a \$7.39 charge for general service and lighting customers; and a \$49.38 charge for industrial customers. DEP’s proposed new monthly REPS rates, if approved, will result in the following increases to DEP’s current monthly REPS rates, not including regulatory fee: \$0.12 for residential customers; \$0.42 for general service and lighting customers; and \$1.56 for industrial customers.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1274

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, for Approval of Joint Agency Asset Rider Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §62-133.14 and Commission Rule R8-70 for Recovery of Joint Agency Asset Costs)
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled a public hearing on an application filed by Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP) for the recovery of costs incurred by DEP for the acquisition and operation of electric generating assets acquired from North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency. The public hearing has been scheduled to begin immediately following the hearings in Docket Nos. E-2, Subs 1272 and 1273, which are scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 21, 2021, in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. The proceeding is being held pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. § 62-133.14 and Commission Rule R8-70 for the purpose of establishing a Joint Agency Asset Rider (JAAR) to allow DEP to recover its acquisition and non-fuel operating costs. Public witness testimony will be received in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g).

Duke Energy Progress filed an application and testimony relative to the subject matter of the proceeding on June 15, 2021. The proposed JAAR for residential service is 0.482 cents per kilowatt hour (kWh), which would be an increase of 0.103 cents per kWh from the JAAR presently in effect, and would increase the monthly bill of a residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt hours per month by \$1.03. The proposed JAAR per kWh for other non-demand rate class customers is: 0.462 cents for Small General Service; 0.408 cents for Medium General Service; 0.651 cents for Seasonal and Intermittent Service; 0.277 cents for Traffic Signal Service; and no charge for Outdoor Lighting Service. The proposed JAAR per kilowatt for demand rate class customers is \$1.51 for Medium General Service and \$1.57 for Large General Service. The JAAR for all customer classes would be effective for service rendered on and after December 1, 2021, through November 30, 2022.

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NC’s \$100 reward offer ignites vaccine interest



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In this June 24, 2021 file photo, Dr. Rasheeda Monroe, medical director at Primary Care Pediatrics at WakeMed, listens as President Joe Biden and North Carolina Gov. Roy Cooper talk during a visit to a mobile vaccination unit at the Green Road Community Center in Raleigh, N.C. Interest in COVID-19 vaccines has surged in the week since Cooper announced, Tuesday, Aug. 10 his administration would boost the financial incentive from \$25 to \$100 for unvaccinated residents who come in for their first shot this month.

Bryan Anderson
Associated Press

RALEIGH — Interest in COVID-19 vaccines has surged in the week since North Carolina’s governor announced that his administration would boost the financial incentive from \$25 to \$100 for unvaccinated residents who come in for their first shot this month.

While a number of factors are contributing to people’s decision to get vaccinated, including the rising spread of the more contagious delta variant, state health officials are hopeful even more people will choose to get vaccinated now that Democratic Gov. Roy Cooper has decid-

ed to follow President Joe Biden’s advice to give out \$100 rewards.

“Many of our providers distributed all of their cards in a single day after we announced the shift to \$100 last week,” said Catie Armstrong, a spokeswoman for the state Department of Health and Human Services. “One of our providers went from distributing 1,000 cards per week to 3,000 in two days.”

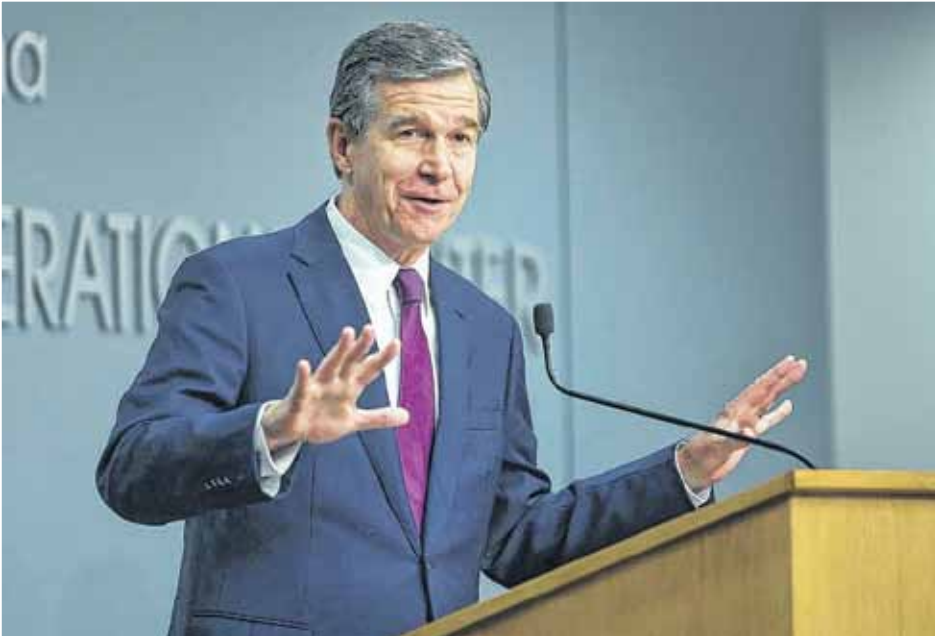
Drivers who take people in for their first shot remain eligible for one \$25 prepaid credit card, while those who get the shot can now receive four cards in \$25 denominations.

Armstrong said the department has worked to remove from its website

the vaccination sites where providers have run out of cash cards, though she said supplies should soon be replenished.

About 38,000 \$25 cards have been issued since the state launched its pilot program in May. Armstrong said the cards are shipped to vaccine providers on a weekly basis based on anticipated demand. The department has ordered roughly \$1.8 million worth of cards for delivery this week, she said.

Data collected by the state health department and shared with The Associated Press shows nearly 18,000 page loads on the incentives section of the website during the entire month of July, when the



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In this July 21, 2021 file photo, North Carolina Gov. Roy Cooper speaks to reporters during a COVID-19 news conference at the state Emergency Operations Center in Raleigh, N.C. Interest in COVID-19 vaccines has surged in the week since Cooper announced, Tuesday, Aug. 10, his administration would boost the financial incentive from \$25 to \$100 for unvaccinated residents who come in for their first shot this month.

cash reward being offered was \$25. But since Cooper’s announcement last week, the section has seen more than 66,000 page loads — a 269% increase.

North Carolina last week held its fourth and final lottery for two separate prizes of \$1 million and a \$125,000 college scholarship. Its effectiveness has been less clear, given the state had continued to see waning interest in COVID-19 vaccines after the lottery was first announced in June.

“It’s hard to know exactly what combination of factors draws people in to get vaccinated, and I think one thing builds upon the other,” Cooper said in a news conference last week.


“As much information as we can get out there (and) as much incentive as we can get out there, the better off that we are.”

Republican State Treasurer Dale Folwell, who was hospitalized with COVID-19 in March 2020, said in an interview Tuesday that the cash cards wouldn’t have been needed if the state had done a better job promoting the shots this past winter by recognizing geographic differences in how people view vaccines. Folwell, who has been vaccinated, opposed the lottery.

“We were totally flat-footed on the rollout of this vaccine, which has put us in a position now where we had to give \$1 million to a per-

son who has already been vaccinated, have a vaccine lottery and now these cash cards,” Folwell said. “It’s an attempt to steer the focus away from how botched the rollout was.”

Regardless of the motivating forces, the pace of vaccinations has climbed in recent weeks, with nearly 80,000 people coming in for an initial dose in each of the past two weeks. More North Carolinians got their first COVID-19 shot last week than on any given week since the week of May 24, according to state health department data.



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DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1272

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55 Regarding Fuel and Fuel-Related Cost Adjustments for Electric Utilities) PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled a public hearing on an annual fuel and fuel-related charge adjustment proceeding for Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP). The public hearing has been scheduled to begin Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. The proceeding is being held pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. § 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55 for the purpose of determining whether an increment or decrement rider is required in order to reflect changes in the cost of fuel and fuel-related costs over or under the base fuel rate established for DEP in its last general rate case. Public witness testimony will be received in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g).

Duke Energy Progress filed an application and testimony relative to the subject matter of the proceeding on June 15, 2021. The proposed change in rates is related to fuel and fuel-related costs. The proposed change would result in a decrease of the present fuel and fuel-related rates of all customer classes, with the amount of the decrease varying for different customer classes. The decrease in the monthly bill of a typical residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt hours per month would be \$0.10, excluding the regulatory fee. The change in all fuel and fuel-related rates would be effective for service rendered on and after December 1, 2021.

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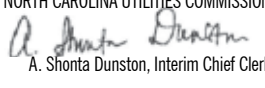
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BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, for Approval of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-69) PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled a public hearing in the annual demand-side management (DSM) and energy efficiency (EE) cost recovery proceeding for Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP). The public hearing has been scheduled to begin immediately following the hearing in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1272, which is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 21, 2021, in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. This proceeding is being held pursuant to the provisions of § 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-69, for the purpose of determining whether an increment or decrement rider is required to allow DEP to recover all reasonable and prudent costs incurred for adoption and implementation of new DSM and new EE measures and appropriate incentives. Public witness testimony will be received in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g).

On June 15, 2021, Duke Energy Progress filed its application for approval of DSM/EE cost recovery pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.9 and Rule R8-69. By its application DEP requests a total annual revenue increase of approximately \$8.1 million, effective January 1, 2022, from the DSM/EE rider currently in effect. This request would result in an increase of 0.067 cents per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for residential customers. Non-residential General Service customers, depending upon their participation in DEP’s DSM or EE programs, would see a DSM rider decrease of 0.010 cents per kWh, and an EE rider decrease of 0.023 cents per kWh. Lighting customers would see an EE rider increase of 0.036 cents per kWh. Industrial and large commercial customers that have, under N.C.G.S. § 62-133.9, opted out of and never participated in DEP’s DSM and EE programs are not subject to the rider.

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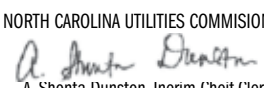
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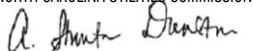
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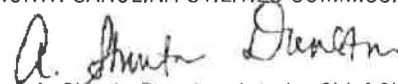
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