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

**RE: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Application to Adjust Retail Base Rates and for Performance-Based Regulation, and Request for an Accounting Order
Docket No. E-7, Sub 1276**

**Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Application for Approval to Construct a 402 MW Natural Gas-Fired Combustion Turbine Electric Generating Facility in Lincoln County
Docket No. E-7, Sub 1134**

Dear Ms. Dunston:

On behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC" or the "Company"), in compliance with the North Carolina Utilities Commission's (the "Commission") *Order Accepting Stipulations, Granting Partial Rate Increase, Requiring Public Notice and Modifying Lincoln CT CPCN Conditions*, issued on December 15, 2023, in the above-referenced dockets, please find enclosed for filing:

1. **Compliance Exhibit Nos. 1_1a, 1_1b, 1_2a, 1_2b, 1_3a, and 1_3b** - These exhibits are the redlined and clean versions of the tariffs for each year of the Multiyear Rate Plan ("MYRP"). These exhibits are provided in the same format as Beveridge Direct Exhibit Nos. 1_1, 1_2, and 1_3.
2. **Compliance Exhibit Nos. 2_1a, 2_2a, and 2_3a** – These exhibits provide DEC's calculations of base and total revenues by rate class and rate schedule under original and interim rates with the change in the Excess Deferred Income Tax ("EDIT") Rider No. 4 for each year of the MYRP. These exhibits are provided in the same format as Beveridge Direct Exhibit Nos. 2_1, 2_2, and 2_3.

3. **Compliance Exhibit Nos. 2_1b, 2_2b, and 2_3b** – These exhibits provide DEC’s calculations of base and total revenues by rate class and rate schedule under interim and final compliance rates with the change in the EDIT-4 Rider for each year of the MYRP. These exhibits are provided in the same format as Beveridge Direct Exhibit Nos. 2_1, 2_2, and 2_3.
4. **Compliance Exhibit Nos. 2_1c, 2_2c, and 2_3c** - These exhibits provide DEC’s calculations of base and total revenues by rate class and rate schedule under original and final compliance rates with the change in the EDIT-4 rider for each year of the MYRP. These exhibits are provided in the same format as Beveridge Direct Exhibit No. 2_1, 2_2, and 2_3.
5. **Compliance Exhibit Nos. 3_1a, 3_2a, and 3_3a** – These exhibits provide DEC’s calculations of base and total revenues by rate class and rate schedule under original and interim rates without the change in the EDIT-4 Rider for each year of the MYRP. These exhibits are provided in the same format as Beveridge Direct Exhibit No. 3_1, 3_2, and 3_3.
6. **Compliance Exhibit Nos. 3_1b, 3_2b, and 3_3b** – These exhibits provide DEC’s calculations of base and total revenues by rate class and rate schedule under interim and final compliance rates without the change in the EDIT-4 Rider for each year of the MYRP. These exhibits are provided in the same format as Beveridge Direct Exhibit No. 3_1, 3_2, and 3_3.
7. **Compliance Exhibit Nos. 3_1c, 3_2c, and 3_3c** - These exhibits provide DEC’s calculations of base and total revenues by rate class and rate schedule under original and final compliance rates without the change in the EDIT-4 rider for each year of the MYRP. These exhibits are provided in the same format as Beveridge Direct Exhibit Nos. 3_1, 3_2, and 3_3.
8. **Compliance Exhibit Nos. 4_1, 4_2, and 4_3** - These exhibits show the spread of the base rate increase to the customer classes and the resulting rate of return by class for each year of the MYRP. These exhibits are provided in the same format as Beveridge Direct Exhibit Nos. 4_1, 4_2, and 4_3.
9. **Compliance Exhibit Nos. 5_1, 5_2, and 5_3** – These exhibits show tables that reflect the impact of the rate changes by rate schedules and the impact of riders on the rates shown in the billing schedules for each year of the MYRP.
10. **Compliance Exhibit No. 6** – This exhibit provides DEC’s derivation of the decremental rate change associated with the EDIT-4 Rider by rate class and rate schedule. This exhibit is provided in the same format as Beveridge Direct Exhibit No. 7.

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11. **Compliance Exhibit No. 7** – This exhibit provides DEC’s derivation of the decremental rate change associated with the new over-amortization RAL-1 Rider.
12. **Compliance Exhibit Nos. 8_1, 8_2, and 8_3** – These exhibits show the description of DEC’s rate and tariff changes. These exhibits are provided in the same format as E-1 Item 39_1, E-1 Item 39_2, and E-1 Item 39_3.

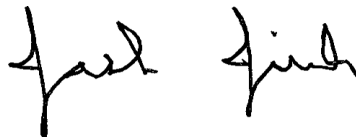
Also enclosed for filing is *DEC’s Notice to Customers of Change in Rates*.

The attached Year 1 tariffs list an effective date for service on or after January 15, 2024. The attached Year 2 and Year 3 tariffs list effective dates for service on or after January 1, 2025, and January 1, 2026, respectively. The company still requests that the PBR plan, including the multiyear rate plan (“MYRP”) with the earnings sharing mechanism (“ESM”), residential decoupling, and performance incentive mechanisms (“PIMs”) begins January 1, 2024, as originally requested. This will allow the PBR plan rate years to remain as calendar years and allow future MYRP rate changes in years 2 and 3 to occur on January 1, concurrent with the DSM/EE rate changes. In addition, the decoupling, PIMs, and ESM riders will be assessed based on the calendar years of the PBR plan period. Furthermore, the required quarterly reporting will align with the Company’s accounting periods.

DEC respectfully requests that the Commission review and approve this compliance filing on an expedited basis, so that rates can be implemented January 15, 2024. In particular, the request for expedited review is necessary to allow the Company sufficient time for the design, printing and programming of the Customer Notice to be included in customer bills coinciding with the revised rates.

The Company has worked with the Public Staff, who have verified the accuracy of the Company’s calculations, and who has also reviewed and approved the proposed Customer Notice. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



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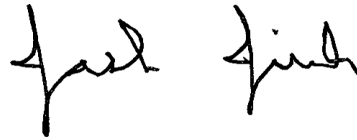
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cc: Parties of Record
Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff
Lucy Edmondson, Chief Counsel, Public Staff

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the DEC Compliance Filing 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 5th day of January, 2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jack Jirak".

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