STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 927 DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1287 DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1032 DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1261

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Application by Duke Energy Progress, LLC, for Modification of Residential Service Load Control Program)))
DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1287 In the Matter of Application by Duke Energy Progress, LLC, for Approval of PowerPair SM Solar and Battery Installation Pilot Program Pursuant to Order of the North Carolina Utilities Commission))))) ORDER GRANTING) PUBLIC STAFF'S MOTION) FOR LEAVE TO FILE) CORRECTED COMMENTS) AND ACCEPTING FOR FILING) CORRECTED COMMENTS)))
DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1032 In the Matter of Application by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, for Modification of Residential Service Power Manager Load Control Program	
DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1261 In the Matter of Application by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, for Approval of PowerPair SM Solar and Battery Installation Pilot Program Pursuant to Order of the North Carolina Utilities Commission)))))

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONERS: On June 21, 2023, Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP), and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC, collectively Duke), filed their proposed PowerPairSM Solar and Battery Installation Program (Power Pair Program), in Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 1287 and E-7, Sub 1261. On the same date, in Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 927 and E-7, Sub 1032, DEP and DEC filed motions for the approval of modifications to their residential load control programs, EnergyWise and Power Manager, respectively (collectively with Power Pair Program, EE Program Modifications).

On July 14, 2023, the Commission issued an Order Granting Extension of Time to File Comments, Interventions and Reply Comments about the EE Program Modifications (Extension Order). Among other things, the Extension Order set August 21, 2023, as the date for the Public Staff and all intervenors to file initial comments, and September 11, 2023, as the date for all parties to file reply comments.

On August 21, 2023, the Public Staff and several other parties filed initial comments.

On August 25, 2023, the Public Staff filed a motion pursuant to Commission Rule R1-5(f) requesting to file corrected initial comments. In addition, the Public Staff filed its corrected initial comments. In summary, the Public Staff explained that its initial comments included a comparison of Duke's proposed upfront incentives under the Power Pair Program to the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory's estimated costs of new solar and storage installations. The Public Staff stated, however, that it subsequently discovered that EnergySage, a widely used platform that estimates solar and storage costs based on its online marketplace, provides more current and relevant data. As a result, the Public Staff amended its initial comments to reflect estimates of solar and energy storage installations based on EnergySage data.

Based on the Public Staff's motion and the record, the Presiding Commissioners find good cause to grant the Public Staff's request for leave to file corrected initial comments and to accept for filing the Public Staff's corrected initial comments.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 30th day of August, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk