STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-100, SUB 141

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
2015 Integrated Resource Plans and)	ORDER GRANTING PUBLIC
Related 2015 REPS Compliance Plans)	STAFF'S MOTION

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On July 1, 2015, Dominion North Carolina Power (DNCP) filed its 2014 integrated resource plan (IRP) in the above-captioned docket.

On July 20, 2015, in Docket No. E-100, Sub 111, the Commission issued an Order that, among other thing, adopted a new Rule R8-60(I) establishing guidelines for the Commission's review of the IRP update reports filed by the electric utilities in odd-numbered years. In particular, Rule R8-60(I) requires that the Public Staff report to the Commission within 60 days after the filing of each electric utility's IRP update report whether the report complies with the requirements of Rule R8-60. The Public Staff's review of each electric utility's IRP includes a review of the electric utility's REPS compliance plan that is filed as a part of the electric utility's IRP.

On August 27, 2015, in response to a motion filed by the Public Staff, the Commission issued an Order extending the time for the Public Staff to complete its compliance review of DNCP's IRP to September 21, 2015, and extending the time for any party to seek leave to file comments on DNCP's IRP to September 21, 2015.

On September 1, 2015, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC) and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP) filed their 2014 IRPs in this docket. Therefore, pursuant to Rule R8-60(I) the Public Staff is required to complete its compliance review of DEC's and DEP's IRPs by November 2, 2015.

On September 17, 2015, the Public Staff filed a motion requesting that the Commission (1) allow the Public Staff to file its comments on the REPS compliance plans of DNCP, DEC and DEP (electric utilities) in a single combined filing (REPS compliance review), and (2) to establish October 22, 2015, as the due date for the Public Staff's REPS compliance review. In support of its motion, the Public Staff states, among other things, that it believes that a combined REPS compliance review will be more useful for the Commission than separate filings regarding the electric utilities' REPS compliance. Further, the Public Staff states that it has contacted the electric utilities regarding its motion and none of the electric utilities has voiced an objection to the Public Staff's motion.

Based on the Public Staff's motion and the record, the Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to allow the Public Staff to file its REPS compliance review regarding the electric utilities' REPS compliance plans in a single combined filing on or before October 22, 2015.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That the Public Staff may file its REPS compliance review regarding the electric utilities' REPS compliance plans in a single combined filing;
- 2. That the Public Staff shall file its REPS compliance review on or before October 22, 2015;
- 3. That September 21, 2015, shall continue to be the deadline for parties to seek leave to file comments on DNCP's IRP; and
- 4. That November 2, 2015, shall continue to be the deadline for parties to seek leave to file comments on DEC's and DEP's IRPs.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the ___18th_ day of September, 2015.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Jackie Cox, Deputy Clerk

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