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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

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

**RE: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Adjustment of Rates  
and Charges Applicable to Electric Service in North Carolina  
Docket No. E-7, Sub 1276**

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket, please find the Motion for Admission to Practice Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-4.1 for Melissa Butler.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jack Jirak", written in a cursive style.

Jack E. Jirak

Enclosure

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**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1276

In the Matter of:	)	
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Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC	)	<b>MOTION FOR ADMISSION TO</b>
for Adjustment of Rates and Charges	)	<b>PRACTICE PURSUANT TO N.C.</b>
Applicable to Electric Service in North	)	<b>GEN. STAT. § 84-4.1</b>
Carolina	)	

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Pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes (“N.C. Gen. Stat.”) §§ 62-60 and 84-4.1 and Rule R1-22 of the North Carolina Utilities Commission (the “Commission”) Rules of Practice and Procedure, Melissa Oellerich Butler of Troutman Pepper Hamilton Sanders LLP respectfully requests the Commission to enter an order permitting her to practice *pro hac vice* before the Commission on behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas (the “Company”) in the above-captioned matter.

In support of this motion, Ms. Butler alleges and shows the following:

1. The above-captioned matter is a regulatory proceeding before the Commission governed by North Carolina public utility law.
2. The Company is a limited liability company, duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of North Carolina and is a public utility under the laws of North Carolina with operations subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
3. Ms. Butler is an attorney in good standing, licensed to practice law in the State of Florida, State of Georgia, and State of South Carolina and will appear on behalf of the Company in the above-captioned proceeding.

4. Ms. Butler's full name, address, and bar identification numbers are:

Melissa Oellerich Butler  
Florida State Bar No. 1028780  
Georgia State Bar No. 888977  
South Carolina State Bar No. 105224  
Troutman Pepper Hamilton Sanders LLP  
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5. Ms. Butler will, unless permitted to withdraw sooner by order of the Commission, continue to represent the Company in the above-captioned proceeding until the final determination thereof.

6. Ms. Butler has agreed to be subject to the order and is amenable to the disciplinary action and civil jurisdiction of the General Court of Justice and the North Carolina State Bar in all respects as if she were a regularly admitted and licensed member of the Bar of North Carolina in good standing.

7. The Bars of Florida, Georgia and South Carolina in which Ms. Butler is regularly admitted to practice, grants permission to members of the Bar of North Carolina in good standing to practice *pro hac vice* under circumstances similar to those authorized by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-4.1.

8. Ms. Butler, who is counsel for the Company, is associated for purposes of appearing before the Commission with Jack E. Jirak of Duke Energy, a resident of this state who is duly and legally permitted to practice in the General Court of Justice of North Carolina, upon which service may be had in all matters connected with the legal proceedings, or any disciplinary matter, with the same effect as if personally made on Ms. Butler.

9. Ms. Butler has not been disciplined by any court or lawyer regulatory organization, nor has she had *pro hac vice* privileges revoked.

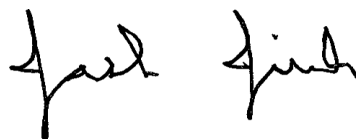
10. The Statements required by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-4.1 are attached to this motion.

11. Upon the Commission's issuance of an order granting this Motion, the appropriate filing will be made to the North Carolina State Bar as required by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-4.1. At that time, Ms. Butler will also remit to the Commission the checks for the filing fees payable to the Administrative Office of the Courts and the North Carolina State Bar.

WHEREFORE, the Company respectfully requests that this Motion be granted, and that Melissa Oellerich Butler be allowed to appear before the Commission in this matter.

Respectfully submitted this 13th day of September 2022.

**DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC**



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BY THE CHAIRMAN: On September 13, 2022 Jack E. Jirak filed a motion with the Commission seeking authority for Melissa Oellerich Butler to appear *pro hac vice* on behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (the “Company”) in the above-captioned docket. Ms. Butler is associated with Mr. Jack E. Jirak of Duke Energy, an attorney in good standing in the State of North Carolina, for the purpose of this limited representation.

The Chairman is of the opinion that good cause exists to grant the motion for admission *pro hac vice*.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That Ms. Butler’s motion for admission *pro hac vice* in this proceeding shall be, and is hereby, allowed; and

2. That Ms. Butler’s name and address are as follows:

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Florida State Bar No. 1028780  
Georgia State Bar No. 888977  
South Carolina State Bar No. 105224  
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ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2022.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION  
A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk

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I, Melissa Oellerich Butler, hereby state that:

1. I am an attorney at law regularly admitted to practice and am in good standing in the State of Florida, the State of Georgia, and the State of South Carolina.
2. I am counsel for Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (the “Company”) and desire to represent the Company in the above-captioned proceeding, which is currently pending before the North Carolina Utilities Commission (the “Commission”).

3. My full name, address, and bar identification numbers are:  
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4. I will, unless permitted to withdraw sooner by order of the Commission, continue to represent the Company in the above-captioned proceeding until the final determination thereof.
5. I agree, with reference to all matters incident to Commission proceedings, to be subject to the orders and amenable to the disciplinary action and the civil jurisdiction of the Commission, the General Court of Justice, and the North Carolina State Bar in all respects as if I were a regularly admitted and licensed member of the Bar of North Carolina in good standing.
6. The State of Florida, the State of Georgia, and the State of South Carolina in which I am regularly admitted to practice, grant similar privileges to appear on a limited basis in judicial and regulatory proceedings being conducted in those jurisdictions to members of the Bar of North Carolina.
7. I have associated, for purposes of appearing and participating in Commission proceedings, with Jack E. Jirak of Duke Energy, P. O. Box 1551, Raleigh, North Carolina 27062, an attorney who is a resident of North Carolina and who is duly and legally admitted to practice in the General Court of Justice of North Carolina, upon whom service may be had in all matters connected with the above-captioned proceedings, or any disciplinary matter, with the same effect as if personally made on me within this state.



8. I have not been disciplined by any court or lawyer regulatory organization and have not had a revocation of any *pro hac vice* admission.

Respectfully submitted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022.

Melissa Oellerich Butler  
Melissa Oellerich Butler

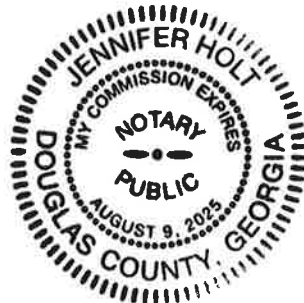
STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022 by Melissa Oellerich Butler.

Jennifer Holt  
Notary Public

My commission expires: 8/9/2025



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**MOTION FOR ADMISSION TO  
PRACTICE PURSUANT TO N.C.  
GEN. STAT. § 84-4.1**

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I, Jack E. Jirak, hereby certify that I am Deputy General Counsel for Duke Energy,  
P. O. Box 1551, Raleigh, North Carolina 27602 and that Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC has  
requested that Melissa Oellerich Butler of Troutman Pepper Hamilton Sanders LLP  
represent them in the above-captioned proceeding before the North Carolina Utilities  
Commission.

This 8<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022.



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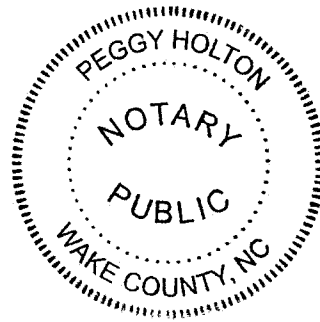
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF Wake

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of  
September 2022 by Jack E. Jirak

Peggy Holton  
Notary Public

My commission expires: 12/22/2026

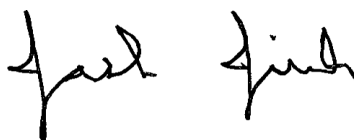


**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing **MOTION FOR ADMISSION TO PRACTICE PURSUANT TO N.C. GEN. STAT. § 84-4.1**, as filed in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1276\_ was served by electronic mail (e-mail), hand delivery or by depositing a copy in United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, properly addressed to the parties of record.

This the 13th day of September 2022.

**DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC**

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