## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

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In the Matter of Application by Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina, for Approval of Demand Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider under N.C.G.S. § 62- 133.9 and Commission Rule R8-69	) ) ) ) ) )
DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 557	)
In the Matter of Application of Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina for Approval of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard Cost Rider Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.8 and Commission Rule R8-67	) MOTION TO AMEND ) PROCEDURAL ) SCHEDULE ) ) )
DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 558	)
In the Matter of Application by Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55 Regarding Fuel and Fuel-Related Costs Adjustments for Electric Utilities	) ) ) ) ) ) )

NOW COMES THE PUBLIC STAFF - North Carolina Utilities Commission (Public Staff), by and through its Executive Director, Christopher J. Ayers, and requests that the Commission amend each *Order Scheduling Hearings, Requiring* 

Filing of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Public Notice issued separately in the above-referenced dockets (Procedural Orders) on September 7, 2018, to provide the Public Staff with additional time to investigate, conduct discovery, and prepare testimony. In support of this motion, the Public Staff respectfully shows the Commission:

- 1. On August 21, 2018, Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC), filed in Docket No. E-22, Sub 556, its application for approval of DSM/EE cost recovery pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-69.
- 2. On August 30, 2018, DENC filed in Docket No. E-22, Sub 557, its 2017 REPS compliance report and application for approval of REPS cost recovery pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.8 and Commission Rule R8-67, along with direct testimony and exhibits supporting its cost recovery application and 2017 compliance report.
- 3. On the same day, DENC filed in Docket No. E-22, Sub 558, its application for adjustment of its fuel charge pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55, along with direct testimony and exhibits supporting its application.
- 4. On September 7, 2018, the Commission entered a Procedural Order in each of these dockets setting them for public hearing on November 5, 2018, at 1:30 p.m.

- 5. Under Commission Rule R8-55, the time between the filing of DENC's application for adjustment to its fuel charge and the hearing is generally 75 days, subject to conflicts with events such as Election Day. The 75-day interval also applies to the REPS rider proceeding, while the DSM/EE Mechanism for DENC approved by the Commission requires DENC to file its DSM/EE rider application 84 days prior to the hearing.
- 6. Due to a conflict on the second Tuesday in November, as well as Election Day occurring on the first Tuesday in November, the dates provided in Commission Rule R8-55 for the DENC rider hearings were not available, and the Commission set the hearing for November 5, thereby allowing 67 days between the filing of the fuel and REPS rider applications and the hearing, and 76 days between the filing of the DSM/EE rider application and the hearing.
- 7. To allow the Public Staff more time to investigate these riders, conduct discovery, and prepare testimony, the Public Staff requests that the Commission schedule the expert testimony portion of the evidentiary hearings in these cases for 9:30 a.m. on November 8, 2018, while holding the hearings scheduled at 1:30 p.m. on November 5, 2018, solely for the purpose of receiving testimony from the public. Additionally, the Public Staff requests that the date by which interventions and the direct testimony of the Public Staff and other intervenors must be filed be extended from October 22, 2018, to October 25, 2018, and the date by which the Company's rebuttal testimony must be filed be extended from October 31, 2018, to November 2, 2018.

8. DENC has indicated to the Public Staff that it does not object to the

requested change in schedule.

Therefore, the Public Staff prays that the Commission issue an order

scheduling the expert testimony portion of the rider hearing for 9:30 a.m. on

November 8, 2018, extending the date by which interventions and the direct

testimony of the Public Staff and other intervenors must be filed to October 25,

2018, and the date by which the Company's rebuttal must be filed to November 2,

2018, and granting such other and further relief as the Commission may deem just

and proper.

Respectfully submitted this the 28th day of September, 2018.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Motion on all parties of record in accordance with Commission Rule R1-39, by United States mail, postage prepaid, first class; by hand delivery; or by means of facsimile or electronic delivery upon agreement of the receiving party.

This the 28th day of September, 2018.

Electronically submitted /s/ Lucy E. Edmondson