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COMPANY: Aqua North Carolina, Inc.

DESCRIPTION: Application for Authority to Adjust and Increase Rates for Water and

Sewer Utilities Service in All Service Areas in North Carolina

VOLUME: 9

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11	Commissioner Charlotte A. Mitchell
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13	IN THE MATTER OF:
14	Application by Aqua North Carolina, Inc.,
15	202 MacKenan Court, Cary, North Carolina 27511,
16	for Authority to Adjust and Increase Rates
17	for Water and Sewer Utility Service in
18	All Service Areas in North Carolina.
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Duke Energy Progress LLC

Docket No. E-2, Sub 1142

Adjust O&M for executive compensation

For the test period ended December 31,2016

NC-2900 Narrative

#### E-1 Item 10 Adjustments Requirement

Provide the detail work papers showing calculations supporting all accounting, pro forma, end-of-period, and proposed rate adjustments in the rate application to revenue, expense, investment, and reserve accounts for the test year and a complete detailed parrative explanation of each adjustment, including the reason why each adjustment is required. Explain all components used in each calculation. Index each calculation to the accounting, pro forma, end-of-period, and proposed rate adjustment which it supports.

Detailed Narrative Explanation of Adjustment

This pro-forma adjusts operation and maintenance expense and income taxes for officers compensation.

Line impact to operation and maintenance expense is determined as follows:

Eliminate 50% of the compensation of the four Duke Energy executives with the highest level of compensation allocated to Duke Energy Progress in the test period.

The impact to income taxes is determined by multiplying taxable income by the statutory tax rate.

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Duke Energy Progress LLC Docket No. E-2, Sub 1142 Adjust O&M for executive compensation For the test period ended December 31,2016 (Dollars in thousands)

Line <u>No.</u> 1 2	<u>Description</u>		O and Other oup Execs (b)
3 4	Compensation charged to Duke Energy Progress - 12 Months Ended December 31, 2016	\$	4,976 [1]
5 6 7	Compensation charged to A&G	\$	4,976 [1]
8 9 10 11 12	NC Retail Allocation Factor - Wage and Salary Related Items NC retail compensation (LS x L8) Exclusion percentage Impact to O&M (-L9 x L10)	\$	65.3245% [2] 3,250 50.00% [3] (1,625)
13 14	Statutory tax rate		37.0599% [4]
15 16	Impact to income taxes (-L11 x L13)	\$	602
17	Impact to operating income (-L11 - L15)	5	1,023

- [1] Information provided by Duke Energy Corporate Accounting [2] Allocation Factor LAB
- [3] The percentage of compensation to be excluded for DE Progress's four most highly compensated officers charged to DEP.

  [4] NC-0104 2017 Tax Rate, Line 10

Ouke:Energy\_Carolinas, LLC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1146 Adjust O&M for executive compensation For the test period\_ended\_December-31, 2016

NC-0700 Narrative

### E-1-Item 10-Adjustments Requirement

Provide the detail work papers showing calculations supporting all accounting, pro forma, end-of-period, and proposed rate adjustments in the rate application to revenue, expense, investment, and reserve accounts for the test year and a complete detailed narrative explanation of each adjustment, including the reason why each adjustment is required. Explain all components used in each calculation. Index each calculation to the accounting, pro forma, end-of-period, and proposed rate adjustment which it supports.

Detailed Narrative Explanation of Adjustment
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This pro forma adjusts operation and maintenance expense and income taxes for officers' compensation.

The impact to operation and maintenance expense is determined as follows:

Eliminate 50% of the compensation of the four Duke Energy executives with the highest level of compensation allocated to Duke Energy Carolinas in the test period.

The impact to income taxes is determined by multiplying taxable income by the statutory tax rate.



Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC
Docket No. E-7, Sub 1146
Adjust O&M for executive compensation
For the test period ended December 31, 2016
(Dollars in thousands)

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Line		CEC	) and Oil
<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>		and Other oup Execs
1		32.1	<u> Pap Excos</u>
2	Compensation charged to Duke Energy Carolinas - 12 Months Ended Dec. 31, 2016	\$	7,854 [1]
3	• •	•	7,004 [1]
4	Compensation charged to A&G (L2)	\$	7,854
5	Catawba reimbursement allocation rate	•	15.218% [2]
6	Non-ownership percentage in Catawba plant		80.754% [2]
7	Costs reimbursed by Catawba Joint Owners (L4 x L5 x L6)	· <del></del>	965
8		•	000
9	Compensation net of Joint Owners' share (L2 - L7)	\$	6,889
10	NC Retail Allocation Factor - Wage and Salary Related Items	•	68.0211% [3]
11	NC Retail compensation (L9 x L10)	<u>-</u>	4,686
12	Exclusion percentage	• .	50.00% [4]
13	Impact to O&M (-L11 x L12)	\$	(2,343)
14	•	<del></del> -	(2,040)
15	Statutory tax rate		37.1902% [5]
16	Impact to income taxes (-L13 x L15)	<del>-</del> \$	871
17		<u> </u>	0/1
18	Impact to operating income (-L13 - L16)	\$	1,472
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- [1] Information provided by Duke Energy Corporate Accounting
- [2] NC-2203 Analysis of Total Labor \$ Catawba Project (Gross, Allocated \$), 12 Months Ended Dec 31, 2016, Lines 20 and 24
- [3] Allocation Factor Labor [Wage and Salary Related Items] (Factor 59)
- [4] The percentage of compensation for Duke Energy Carolina's four most highly compensated to be eliminated from the test year.
- [5] NC-0104 2017 Calculation of Tax Rates Statutory Tax Rate, Line 10

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Aqua North Carolina, Inc. Docket No. W-218, Sub 497 Water Quality Testing Expenses Aqua NC Water Systems

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<u>Test</u>	Annual <u>Tests</u>	Ann Expe		Annual Samples	_	ost Per Sample	Annual Expense	Annual <u>Samples</u>	Annual Samples	_	Annual xpense
Coliform Bacteria Specials			0,680 <b>2,392</b>	3,612.00 72.00	\$		\$ 50,568 \$ 1,008	3,240.00 8.00	\$ 11.00 \$ 11.00	\$ \$	35,640 88
Trihalomethanes/HAA5 Specials			9,778 1,138	150.67 11.00	\$ \$		\$ 8,437 \$ 616	126.99 0.33	\$ 56.00 \$ 56.00	\$ \$	7,111 18
Lead/Copper Specials	1646.66 \$	\$ 2	9,640	753.33	\$	18.00	\$ 13,560	635.00 3,33	\$ 18.00 \$ 18.00	\$ \$	11,430 60
Inorganics Specials		\$ 5 \$	6,747	209.33 1.33	\$	140.00 140.00	\$ 29,306	133,67	\$ 140.00	\$	18,714
Arsenic only Anitmony only	0,00	\$	45 -	-	\$	16.00	\$ - \$ - \$ -	1.00 1.67	\$ 15.00 \$ 27.00	\$ \$ \$	15 - 45
Fluoride only VOCs		\$ \$3	99 17,681	307.33	\$ \$	70.00	\$ 21,513	153.33	\$ 70.00	\$	
Specials SOCs	429.33	S 20	4,790	3.00	\$ \$	70.00 477.00	\$ 210 \$115,593	125.33	\$ 477.00	\$	59,782
Specials 504	0.33 17.00	\$ \$	159 833	0.33 15.00	\$	477.00 49.00	\$ 159 \$ 735	1.00	\$ 49.00	\$	- 49
Specials 505 515	57.00		245 4,332 3,438	5.00 18.00 10.00	\$ \$		\$ 245 \$ 1,368 \$ 1,910	31.00 5.00	\$ 76,00 \$ 191,00	\$ \$	2,356 955
525	29.00	\$	4,350	13.00	\$	150.00	\$ 1,950	7.00	\$ 150.00	\$	1,050
Nitrates Specials		\$ 1 \$	5,973 275	684.00 5.00	\$ \$		\$ 10,260 \$ 75	375,25 20,00	\$ 10.00 \$ 10.00	\$ \$	3,753 200
Asbestos - Source Asbestos - Distribution		\$ · \$	6,305 491	28.48 2.33		100,00 100,00	\$ 2,848 \$ 233	24.12 1.92	\$ 100.00 \$ 100.00	\$ \$	2,412 192
Radiologicals - Full 4000 - Gross Alpha &4006 Combined Uranium		\$ \$ 1	- 10,917	- 114.16	\$ \$		\$ - \$ 5,936	- 57.89	\$ 52.00	\$ \$	- 3,010
Specials 4010 - Combined Radium	242.56	\$ 3	2,502 19,195	33,11 137.00	\$ \$	132.00	\$ 1,722 \$ 18,084	7.00 59.50 5.00	\$ 52.00 \$ 200.00 \$ 200.00	\$ \$ \$	364 11,900 1,000
Specials WTP Backwash Annual Expense			7,575 5,288	30,11	3	132.00	\$ 3,975	5,00	<b>\$ 200,00</b>	•	1,000
•	Total Average Annua	\$ 56	4,866				\$290,311			\$	170,878

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<u> Test</u>	Annual Samples	Annuál <u>Samples</u>	Annual Expense	Annual <u>Samples</u>	Annual <u>Samples</u>	Annual Expense	Annual <u>Samples</u>	Annual Samples	Annual Expense
Coliform Bacteria Specials	1,080.00 108.00	\$ 12.00 \$ 12.00	\$ 12,960 \$ 1,296	48.00	\$ 14.00 \$ 14.50	\$ 672 \$ -	60.00	\$ 14.00 \$ 14.00	\$ 840 \$ -
Trihalomethanes/HAA5 Specials	63.85 8.00	\$ 56.00 \$ 56.00	\$ 3,576 \$. 448	8.67 1.00	\$ 56.00 \$ 56.00	\$ 485 \$ 56	3.00	\$ 56.00	\$ 168 \$ -
Lead/Copper Specials	238.33	\$ 18.00	\$ 4,290	10.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 180	10.00	\$ 18.00	\$ <sub>.</sub> 180
Inorganics Specials	59.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 8,260	1.00	\$ 140,00	\$ 140	2.33	\$ 140.00	\$ 327
Arsenic only	2.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 30		\$ 15.00	\$ -	-	\$ 15.00	<b>s</b> -
Anitmony only	-		\$ <i>-</i>	-		\$ -	-		<b>\$</b> -
Fluoride only	2.00	\$ 27.00	\$ 54		\$ 27.00	\$ -	-	\$ 27.00	\$ -
VOCs Specials	74.33 2.00	\$ 70.00 \$ 70.00	\$ 5,203 \$ 140	1.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 70	2,31	\$ 70,00	\$ 162
SOCs Specials	58.00	\$ 477.00	\$ 27,666	1.00	\$ 477.00	\$ 477	2.67	\$ 477.00	\$ 1,272
504 Specials	1.00	\$ 49.00	\$ 49	-	\$ 49.00	\$ -	-		\$ -
505	8.00	\$ 76.00	\$ 608		\$ 76.00	\$ -	٠ -	\$ 76.00	\$ -
515	3.00	\$ 191.00	\$ 573	-	\$ 191.00	\$ -	-		\$ <i>-</i>
525	9.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,350	-	\$ 150.00	\$ -	-	\$ 150.00	\$ -
Nitrates Specials	181.00 7.00	\$ 10.00 \$ 10.00	\$ 1,810	3.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 45	7.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 105
Asbestos - Source	10.45	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,045	_	\$ 100.00	<b>s</b> -	_		\$ -
Asbestos - Distribution	0.55	\$ 100.00	\$ 55	0.11	\$ 100.00	\$ 11	-		\$ -
Radiologicals - Full		\$ 220.00	<b>\$</b> -	-	\$ 220.00	\$ -	•		\$ -
4000 - Gross Alpha &4006 Combined Uranium	36.61	\$ 52.00	\$ 1,904	0.44	\$ 52.00	\$ 23	0.83	\$ 52.00	. \$ 43
Specials	8.00	\$ 52.00	\$ 416						
4010 - Combined Radium	44.50	\$ 200.00	\$ 8,900	0.67	\$ 200.00	\$ 133	0.89	\$ 200.00	\$ 178
Specials	13.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 2,600						

\$ 83,233

\$ 2,293

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	<u>Br</u>	ookwood Regi	<u>ion</u>	<u>F:</u>	airways Regio	<u>n</u>
<u>Test</u>	Annual Samples	Annual Samples	Annual Expense	Annual <u>Samples</u>	Annual <u>Samples</u>	Annual Expense
Coliform Bacteria Specials	504.00	\$ 14.00 \$ 14.50	\$ 7,056 \$ -	132.00 -	\$ 14.00 \$ 14.00	\$ 1,848 \$ -
Trihalomethanes/HAA5 Specials	20.33	\$ 117.00 \$ 117.00	\$ 2,379 \$ -	12.00	\$ 117.00 \$ 117.00	\$ 1,404 \$ -
Lead/Copper Specials	43.33	\$ 17.00	\$ 737	8,33	\$ 17.00	\$ 142
Inorganics	19.70	\$ 140.00	\$ 2,758	3,67	\$ 148.00	\$ 543
Specials Arsenic only Anitmony only Fluoride only	-	\$ 16.00 \$ 16.00 \$ 27.00	\$ - \$ - \$ -	- - -	\$ 16.00 \$ 16.00 \$ 27.00	\$ - \$ - \$ -
VOCs Specials	31.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 2,170	7.30	\$ 70.00	\$ 511
SOCs Specials 504	<b>35</b> ,66	\$ 477.00 \$ 51.00	\$ 17,010 \$ -	10.00	\$ 502.00 \$ 51.00	\$ 5,020 \$ -
Specials 505 515 525	10.00	\$ 76.00 \$ 191.00 \$ 286.00	\$ 760 \$ - \$ -	1.00	\$ 80.00 \$ 191.00 \$ 286.00	\$ - \$ 191 \$ -
Nitrates Specials	90.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 1,350	11.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 198
Asbestos - Source Asbestos - Distribution	- 1.00	\$ 100.00 \$ 100.00	\$ - \$ 100	<u>-</u> -	\$ 100.00 \$ 100.00	\$ - \$ <b>-</b>
Radiologicals - Full 4000 - Gross Alpha &4006 Combined Uranium Specials	- 12.22 1.00	\$ 220.00 \$ 75.00	\$ - \$ 917	- 1.22	\$ 220,00 \$ 75.00	\$ - \$ 92
4010 - Combined Radium Specials	42.00 5,00	\$ 170.00	\$ 7,140	1.28	\$ 170.00	\$ 217
WTP Backwash Annual Expense			•			

\$ 10,165

### Aqua North Carolina, Inc. Docket No. W-218, Sub 497 Wastewater Lab Testing Expenses

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Region:	Central Area - ANC		
	Lab Testing		Lab Testing
Name of Facility	\$/Month	Sludge Analysis	\$/Year
Avocet	\$302.37	\$339.00	\$3,628.40
Barclay Downs	\$308.20	\$339.00	\$3,698.40
Beachwood	\$409.70	\$339.00	\$4,916.40
Briarwood Farms	\$350.70	\$339.00	\$4,208.40
Carolina Meadows	\$567.07	\$339.00	\$6,804.80
Chapel Ridge	\$740.77	\$339.00	\$8,889.20
Cole Park Plaza	\$652.90	\$339.00	\$7,834.80
Colvard Farms	\$147.18	\$339.00	\$1,766.10
Crooked Creek	\$381.70	\$339.00	\$4,580.40
Cross Creek MHP	\$520.00	\$339.00	\$6,240.00
Governors Club	\$340.68	\$339.00	\$4,088.16
Hassentree	\$347.67	\$339.00	\$4,172.02
Hawthorne	\$417.03	\$339.00	\$5,004.40
Lake Ridge Aero	\$342.70	\$339.00	\$4,112.40
Mallard Crossing	\$559.11	\$339.00	\$6,709.32
Neuse Colony	\$1,087.47	\$339.00	\$13,049.60
Neuse River Village	\$342.70	\$339.00	\$4,112.40
Tradewinds	\$383.37	\$339.00	\$4,600.40
The Legacy <sup>1</sup>	\$117.17	\$339.00	\$1,406.00
Preserve at Jordan	\$102.75	\$339.00	\$1,233.00
Westfall <sup>1</sup>	\$233.04	\$339.00	\$2,796.50
Wildwood Green	\$265.87	\$339.00	\$3,190.40
Totals	\$8,920.13	\$7,458.00	\$114,499.50

<sup>1.</sup> Legacy and Westfall added post-test year, flows have been added to the test year costs

Region:	<u>Coastal - ANC</u> Lab Testing	Lab Testing
Name of Facility	\$/Month	\$/Year
A	¢250.77	\$4,317.24
Avendale	\$359.77	• •
Castlebay	\$410.60	\$4,927.19
Cannonsgate	\$857.15	\$10,285.79
Emerald Plantation	\$731.55	\$8,778.56
Grand Villas	\$179.08	\$2,149.00
Sterling Farms	\$477.66	\$5,731.87
% Solids Sludge Testing <sup>2</sup>		\$240.00
Totals	\$3,015.81	\$36,429.66

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Region:	Denver - ANC Lab Testing		Lab Testing
Name of Facility	\$/Month	Sludge Analysis	\$/Year
Alexander Island	\$189.61	\$339.00	\$2,275.26
Bridgeport	\$203.41	\$339.00	\$2,440.86
Brights Creek	\$180.00	\$339.00	\$2,160.00
Country Valley	\$169.19	\$339.00	\$2,030.22
Country Woods East	\$707.93	\$339.00	\$8,495.20
Diamond Head	\$408.55	\$339.00	\$4,902.58
Harbor Estates	\$350.52	\$339.00	\$4,206.18
Killians	\$285.41	\$339.00	\$3,424.86
Mallard Head	\$182.81	\$339.00	\$2,193.66
Pine Valley	\$181.60	\$339.00	\$2,179.20
River Park (Hwy 150)	` \$355.43	\$339.00	\$4,265.20
Spinnaker Bay	\$159.19	\$339.00	\$1,910.22
Willowbrook	\$169.15	\$339.00	\$2,029.82
Windemere	\$181.60	\$339.00	\$2,179.20
Pickup Fee (monthly)	\$260.00		\$3,120.00
Totals	\$3,984.37	\$4,746.00	\$52,558.46

Region:	Kernersville - ANC Lab Testing		Lab Testing
Name of Facility	\$/Month	Słudge Analsyis	\$/Year
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Briarwood	\$240.44	\$339.00	\$2,885.22
Forest Ridge	\$193.11	\$339.00	\$2,317.26
Frye Bridge	\$193.11	\$339.00	\$2,317.26
Greystone	\$234.77	\$339.00	\$2,817.26
Melbille Heights	\$193.11	\$339.00	\$2,317.26
Mikkola Hts	\$193.11	\$339.00	\$2,317.26
Olde Beau	\$374.46	\$339.00	\$4,493.46
Penman Heights	\$159.19	\$339.00	\$1,910.22
Salem Glen	\$169.19	\$339.00	\$2,030.22
Salem Quarters	\$193.11	\$339.00	\$2,317.26
Spring Creek	\$193.11	\$339.00	\$2,317.26
Willow Creek	\$193.11	\$339.00	\$2,317.26
Wellesley Place	\$192.81	\$339.00	\$2,313.66
Pickup fee (monthly)	\$325.00		\$3,900.00
Totals	\$3,047.57	\$4,407.00	\$40,977.86

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Region:	Fayetteville - ANC	
	Lab Testing	Lab Testing
Name of Facility	\$/Month	\$/Year
Woodlake	\$487.14	\$5,845 <i>.</i> 70
Sludge Analysis		\$1,000.00
Totals	\$487.14	\$6,845.70
Region:	Fairways -	
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	Lab Testing	Lab Testing
Name of Facility		Lab Testing \$/Year
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Name of Facility Beau Rivage	Lab Testing \$/Month \$591.75	\$/Year \$7,101.00
Name of Facility  Beau Rivage  Dolphin Bay	Lab Testing \$/Month \$591.75 Retired	\$/Year \$7,101.00 Retired

<sup>2. %</sup> Solids Sludge Testing split between Coastal - ANC & Fairways

Grand Total:	Annual Amount
ANC Sewer	\$251,311
Fairways Sewer	\$14,028

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Progress 901133!	8774.04	9097.31	8760.65	8541.86	7783.09	7911.85	7809.88	7973.32	8682.18	9240.41	7936.52	8177.6		
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Progress 954078	3064,87	3507.58	3618.53	3469.18	3410.46	3106.94	3267.46	3721.3	3628.18	3556.64	3633.85	3630.58		
Progress 960774!	1599.4	1666.75	1601.62	1777.88	1485,28	1469.51	1686.94	1500.68	1551.28	1658.58	1512.79	1670.96		
Progress 965814	9287.62	9318.61	9452,48	10519.83	9335,91	9311.81	8866.88	9578.12	9552.44	9333,48	18527.32	10012.7		
Progress 988872	7658.31	7192,5	7476.38	7707.68	6692.54	6897.37	6736.78	5773.97	5690.92	6559.68	6094,33	6192.24		
Progress Individual		36.89	35.7	583.75	388.57	513.34	454.17	445.83	832.95	681.83	681.51	688.53		
AQUA NC Water	87970.56	85039.11	86520.99	86677.31	75714.83	75401.75	74340.87	74358.31	78762.43	93020,13	118048.62	51116.5	\$986,971	\$50,336
Progress 901133	5951.25	6020,47	6612.69	6102.75	5158,51	5202.17	4998.19	5576.23	5828.28	7618.07	6294.62	7146.17	•	
Progress 926926:	6356.54	5679.01	6111.86	6849.76	6435.72	5804.98	5946.18	5510.72	5368.41	5845.77	6064,3	6167.75		
Progress 954078	20581.36	17230.02	18058.46	15735.85	14550.95	13564.36	13507.51	13292.82	13293.49	16215.46	17641.03	16068.38		
Progress 960774!	4845.99	3865,33	4387.26	3826.85	3845.12	3452.49	3919.16	4411.18	5189.79	5727.49	5711.15	6329.86		
Progress 965814	28376.41	31418.03	28385,33	28744.31	24068.88	26280.94	24225.36	25002.57	26644.11	34376.2	57509,63	-8942.87		
Progress 988872	21725.06	20640.26	22758.1	<b>2</b> 5251.81	21495.54	20937.12	21536.84	20307.63	22212.87	23015.27	24234.31	24087,2		
Progress Individua	133.95	185.99	207.29	165.98	160.11	159,69	207.63	257.16	225.48	221.87	593.58	260.01		
Brookwood Water	433.5	421. <b>2</b> 4	419.81	557.75	551.07	432.65	356.67	424.4	454.78	480.94	475	466.1	\$5,474	\$279
Progress 954078	27.23	27,12	27.92	31.8	32.96	32.52	31.88	31.77	31,23	31.45	31.66	31.55		
Progress 960774!	284.72	267.55	264.98	289.5	301.87	201.97	207.97	267.76	282.92	301.51	295.9	294.72		
Progress 988872	121.55	126.57	126.91	236.45	216,24	198.16	116.82	124.87	140.63	147.98	147.44	139.83		
FAIRWAYS Sewer	7737.57	7559.26	7709.13	8193.25	7770.59	7422.4	7422.93	7356,29	6139.44	7073.78	7456,2	7202.87	\$89,044	\$4,541
Progress 901133!	57.64	57.76	63.46	65,28	63.88	60.28	59.86	61.02	63.04	62.94	57.84	73,54		
Progress 926926	70.06	68.01	72.92	89.25	85.73	74.29	75.8 <b>7</b>	70.58	67.71	80.43	74.6	81.81		
Progress 960774!	7571.83	7396.48	7535.65	7997.31	7579.49	7246	7242.72	7191.59	5984.86	6899.39	7292.31	7016.5		
Progress Individua	38.04	37.01	37.1	41.41	41.49	41.83	44.48	33.1	23.83	31.02	31.45	31.02		
FAIRWAYS Water	5494.91	4827.63	4342.16	3662.18	3356,57	3251.01	4033.96	5903.99	5960.28	6218.24	5908.2	5482.74	\$58,442	\$2,981
Progress 926926!	516.88	398.72	280.59	247.13	260.88	240.39	362.78	627.97	559.97	539.58	553.18	566.78		
Progress 960774	4978.03	4428.91	4061.57	3415.05	3095.69	3010.62	3671.18	5276.02	5400.31	5678,66	5355.02	4915.96		****
Grand Total	132511.06	129037,56	130243.6	132137.93	116867.75	116052.91	115395.59	117457.53	121669	138326,94	170710.4	95040.61	\$1,515,451	\$77,288

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Duke Energy Carolin	os Assount Totals													SGS
Row Labels	Sum of 10.16 Su	m of 11.16 \$\$ S	um of 12.16 S	um of 01,17 S	um of 02.17 S	um of 03.17 S	um of 04.17 S	um of 05.17 S	um of 06.17 S	um of 07.17 S	um of 08.17 S	Sum of 09.17	Totals	-3,20%
AQUA NC Sewer	. 22798.98	25220.19	19912.74	14289.51	21166.21	18699.68	20219.75	20310.44	19483,77	22866.88	18796.21	25838,45	\$249,603	-\$7,987.29
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AQUA NC Water	64020.59	84116.89	65436.26	39290.16	75477.55	65185.97	64695.22	60407.49	54337.34	56401.47	59910.94	60001.82	\$749,282	-\$23,977.01
Duke	131.06	159.21	187.41	274.56	240,33	224.83	235.14	180.03	160.8	155.71	150.62	186.82		
DUKE											54T00.00	50045		
Duke Draft	63889.53	83957,68	65248.85	39015.6	75237.22	64961.14	64460.08	60227.46	54176,54	56245.76	59760.32	59815		
Grand Total	86819.57	109337.08	85349	53579.67	96643.76	83885.65	84914.97	80717.93	73821.11	79268.35	78707.15	85840.27	\$998,885	-\$31,964.30

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Adjustment Summary

-	Per Books1	Prof-Accruals	Duke Adj	Grand Total
ANC Sewer	\$1,028,177	\$4,578	\$11,164	\$1,043,919
ANC Water	\$2,119,515	\$18,336	\$26,359	\$2,164,209
Brookwood Water	\$228,928	-\$14,211	\$279	\$214,996
Fairways Sewer	\$90,493	-\$6,944	\$4,541	\$88,090
Fairways Water	\$61,655	-\$5,183	\$2,981	\$59,453
	\$3,528,769	-\$3,425	\$45,324	\$3,570,668

No adjustments from application

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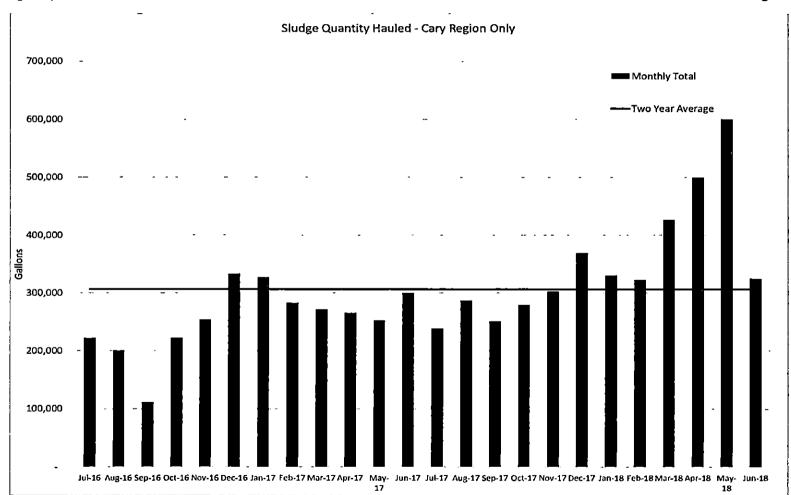
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July 2016 - Dec 2016		Total Cost	Qty Hauled (gal)
CARY	\$	120,989	1,423,400
WILM	\$	15,593	148,500
FAY	\$	8,866	104,300
DEN	\$	48,695	450,880
KV	<u>\$</u>	24,620	276,600
TOTAL (ANC Only)	\$	218,762	2,403,680
Jan 2017 - Dec 2017		Total Cost	Qty Hauled (gal)
CARY	\$	291,397	3,428,200
WILM	\$	31,973	304,500
FAY	\$	6,273	73,800
DEN	\$	53,584	496,150
KV	\$	38,200	382,000
TOTAL (ANC Only)	\$	421,427	4,684,650
2018 Jan - Jun Sludge	<u>al</u>	Qty Hauled	
CARY	\$	213,113	2,504,855
WILM	\$	16,013	152,500
FAY			
DEN	\$	33,744	308,650
KV	<u>\$</u>	18,800	188,000
TOTAL (ANC Only)	\$	281,669	3,154,005
<u>Fairways</u>		Total Cost	Qty Hauled (gal)
July - Dec 2016	\$	40,640	317,005
Jan - Dec 2017	\$	89,068	812,500
Jan - Jun 2018	\$	48,710	452,000

Additional WWTP Estimate	ed An	nual Amounts:	
The Legacy			
2018 Quarter 2	\$	1,947	22,900
<u>Westfall</u>			
2018 Quarter 1	\$	1,135	13,350
2018 Quarter 2	\$	2,270	26,700
	Annua	alized:	
The Legacy	\$	7,786	91,600
Westfall	\$	6,809	80,100
	Adjus	tment to Total:	
The Legacy	\$	5,840	68,700
Westfall	\$	3,404	53,400
Total:	\$	9,244	122,100
(to add to CARY)			

### **TWO YEAR AVERAGE**

July 2016 - June 2018	Total Cost	Qty Hauled (gal)
CARY	\$ 312,749	3,678,228
WILM	\$ 31,789	302,750
FAY	\$ 7,569	89,050
DEN	\$ 68,011	627,840
kv	\$ 40,810	423,300
TOTAL (ANC Only)	\$ 460,929	5,121,168
Annualized New WWTPs	\$ 9,244	122,100
FAIRWAYS	\$ 89,209	790,753
TOTAL:	\$ 559,382	6,034,020

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Henry Additional Direct Partial, Settlement Assignment 1

DOCKET NO. W-218, SUB 497

### BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application by Aqua North Carolina, Inc., 202 )
MacKenan Court, Cary, North Carolina 27511, for )
Authority to Adjust and Increase Rates for Water and )
Sewer Utility Service in All Service Areas in North )
Carolina

PARTIAL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND STIPULATION

Aqua North Carolina, Inc. (Aqua or the Company), and the Public Staff — North Carolina Utilities Commission (Public Staff) (collectively the Stipulating Parties), through counsel and pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-92 and Rule R1-24(c) of the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina Utilities Commission (Commission), respectfully submit the following Partial Settlement Agreement and Stipulation (Stipulation) for consideration by the Commission in this proceeding. The Stipulating Parties hereby stipulate and agree as follows:

#### I. BACKGROUND

- A. On February 5, 2018, Aqua gave notice of its intent to file a general rate case.
- B. On March 7, 2018, Aqua filed an application in this proceeding seeking authority to increase its rates for water and sewer utility service in all of its service areas in North Carolina. Included with this filing was certain information and data required by NCUC Form W-1 (Form W-1).
- C. On April 5, 2018, the Commission issued its <u>Order Establishing</u>

  General Rate Case, <u>Suspending Rates</u>, <u>Scheduling Hearings</u>, and <u>Requiring</u>

  Customer Notice. On April 6, 2018, the Commission issued an <u>Errata Order</u>

  regarding revisions to Appendix C of its April 5 order.

- D. On June 8, 2018, Aqua filed the testimony and exhibits of Company witness John J. Spanos.
- E. On July 27, 2018, Aqua filed the testimony and exhibits of Company witnesses Shannon V. Becker, Dean R. Gearhart, Robert A. Kopas, Dr. Christopher S. Crockett, and Dylan W. D'Ascendis.
- F. On August 6, 2018, Aqua filed revised testimony of Company witness Kopas.
- G. On August 21, 2018, the Public Staff filed the testimony and exhibits of Public Staff witnesses Windley E. Henry, Manasa L. Cooper, Charles Junis, Lindsay Darden, and John R. Hinton.
- H. Subsequent to the filing of the Company's application in this docket, the Public Staff engaged in substantial discovery of Aqua regarding the matters addressed by the Company's application and further examined the relevant books and records of Aqua with respect to the Company's application. The Public Staff's discovery efforts spanned a period of months, entailed over 150 sets of multiquestion data requests directed to the Company, and numerous informal follow-up questions, and involved on-site audit activities at the Company's North Carolina headquarters in Cary, North Carolina. The Public Staff also conducted field inspections of the water systems at Beau Rivage, Stoney Creek, and Shadow Lakes, and the sewer systems at Beau Rivage, The Cape, Dolphin Bay, Carolina Meadows, Governors Club, and Neuse Colony; followed up on written customer protests and concerns raised at the public hearings; and reviewed North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) records.

- I. Following completion of the Public Staff's investigation of the Company's application and accompanying documents, review of the results of its examination of the Company's books and records, review of the Company's responses to the Public Staff's Data Requests, and after the Public Staff filed its direct testimony on August 21, 2018, the Stipulating Parties met and participated in meetings and conference calls to discuss possible settlement.
- J. After settlement negotiations, in which concessions from their litigation positions were made by both parties, the Stipulating Parties were ultimately able to arrive at a partial settlement, the terms of which are reflected in the following sections of this Stipulation and the schedules and exhibits attached hereto. The Stipulating Parties agree and stipulate as follows:

### 11. UNRESOLVED ISSUES BETWEEN THE STIPULATING PARTIES

The Stipulating Parties have not reached a compromise on the following issues (Unresolved Issues):

- a. Return on Equity
- b. Removal of 50% of four operator's salaries and related benefits
- c. Reduction of executive compensation and benefits by 50%
- d. Reduction of board of director fees by 50%
- e. Annualization and consumption adjustments
- f. Post-test year plant additions
- g. Removal of 30% of bonuses paid to Aqua North Carolina supervisory employees
- h. Adjustment for Neuse Colony sewer expansion

- i. Adjustment to costs related to AMR meters and the two meter installation projects
- j. Adjustment to excess capacity
- k. Adjustment to sludge removal
- Adjustment to testing
- m. Adjustment for water losses from purchased water systems
- n. Water quality issues, including reporting and customer complaints
- o. Consumption Adjustment Mechanism

### III. REVENUE REQUIREMENT ISSUES RESOLVED BETWEEN THE STIPULATING PARTIES

The Stipulating Parties have reached an agreement regarding the following revenue requirement issues. The actual amount of the agreed-upon adjustments may differ due to the effects of the Unresolved Issues and updated information to be provided by the Company. The revenue requirement effects of the agreed-upon issues are shown on Settlement Exhibit 1 and attached to her respective testimony supporting this Stipulation. The revenue requirement effects of this Stipulation provide sufficient support for the annual revenue required on the issues agreed to in this Stipulation. No Stipulating Party waives any right to assert a position in any future proceeding or docket before the Commission or in any court, as the adjustments agreed to in this Stipulation are strictly for purposes of compromise and are intended to show a rational basis for reaching the agreed-upon revenue

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The total increase in base rate revenues and the resulting average increase, if any, will not be determined until the Commission rules on the Unresolved Issues.

requirement adjustments without either party conceding any specific adjustment.

The Stipulating Parties agree that settlement on these issues will not be used as a rationale for future arguments on contested issues brought before the Commission. The areas of agreement are as follows:

- A. The test period for this rate case is the twelve months ending September 30, 2017, adjusted for certain changes in plant, revenues, and costs that were not known at the time the case was filed but are based upon circumstances occurring or becoming known through June 30, 2018.
- B. The capital structure appropriate for use in this proceeding is a capital structure consisting of 50.00% common equity and 50.00% long-term debt at a cost of 4.63%.
- C. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to update salaries and wages through June 30, 2018.
- D. The Stipulating Parties agree to an adjustment in the amount of (\$174,680) to remove five open positions as set forth in the supplemental testimony of Public Staff witness Henry.
- E. The Stipulating Parties agree to an adjustment of (\$150,196) to remove benefits related to the five open positions discussed in Subparagraph D above.
- F. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to overtime pay as set forth in the supplemental testimony of Public Staff witness Henry.

- G. The Public Staff agrees to withdraw its proposed adjustment related to Neuse Colony rate base as reflected on Line 7 of Settlement Exhibit 1.
- H. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to update pensions and benefits through June 30, 2018.
- I. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to remove allocated costs from corporate services, corporate sundries, and Aqua Customer Operations.
- J. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to remove duplicative Health Advocate costs.
- K. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to update insurance expenses as set forth in the supplemental testimony of Public Staff witness Cooper.
- L. The Stipulating Parties agree to an adjustment of \$14,009 to allow partial recovery of the Company's costs associated with its communication initiative.
- M. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to updated service revenues from customer growth as set forth in the supplemental testimony of Public Staff witness Junis.
- N. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to reclassify miscellaneous service revenues from service revenues.
- O. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to advances for construction.

- P. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to plant related to future customers as set forth in the supplemental testimony of Public Staff witness Cooper.
- Q. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to remove pretest year legal invoices.
- R. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to reallocate vehicles as set forth in the supplemental testimony of Public Staff witness Cooper.
- S. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to remove legal fees related to fines and penalties.
- T. The Company has agreed to the Public Staff's proposed adjustments to accumulated deferred income taxes (ADIT) regarding unamortized rate case expense, unamortized repair tax credit, post-test year plant additions, and excess deferred income taxes (EDIT). The Stipulating Parties agree to revise ADIT for any updates made to regulatory commission expenses.
- U. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to acquisition incentive adjustments (AIA) as set forth in the supplemental testimony of Public Staff witness Cooper.
- V. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to Mid South growth PAA as set forth in the supplemental testimony of Public Staff witness Cooper.
- W. The Stipulating Parties agree to an adjustment of (\$15,972) for working capital.

- X. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to Mountain Ridge AIA as set forth in the supplemental testimony of Public Staff witness Cooper.
- Y. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to late payment fees as set forth in the supplementary testimony of Public Staff witness Cooper.
- Z. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to uncollectibles as set forth in the supplementary testimony of Public Staff witness Cooper.
- AA. The Company accepts the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to transportation fuel expense as set forth in the supplementary testimony of Public Staff witness Cooper.
- BB. The Company agrees to the Public Staff's proposed adjustment for purchased power expense.
- CC. The Company agrees to the Public Staff's proposed adjustment for chemical expense.
- DD. The Company agrees to the Public Staff's proposed adjustment for removing pretest year invoices from contract services.
- EE. The Company agrees to the Public Staff's proposed adjustment to contract services related to NC 811 locates.
- FF. The Stipulating Parties have agreed to a methodology for calculating regulatory commission expense, also known as rate case expense, and will update the number in Settlement Exhibit 1, Line 33 for actual and estimated costs once

supporting documentation is provided by the Company. Aqua seeks a three-year amortization period; the Public Staff supports five.

- GG. The Company agrees to the Public Staff's proposed adjustment removing legal fees related to legislation.
- HH. The Stipulating Parties agree to an adjustment of \$8,271 for payroll taxes as set forth in the supplementary testimony of Public Staff witness Henry.
- II. The Company agrees to accept the Public Staff's proposals for addressing the Federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the Tax Act). The unprotected Federal EDIT created by enactment of the Tax Act will be returned to customers through a levelized rider that will expire at the end of a three-year period. The protected EDIT will be flowed back following the tax normalization rules utilizing the average rate assumption method (ARAM) required by IRC Section 203(e).
- JJ. The State EDIT that the Company recorded pursuant to the Commission's May 13, 2014 order in Docket No. M-100, Sub 138 will be returned to customers through a levelized rider that will expire at the end of a three-year period.
- KK. The Stipulating Parties agree to the Company's proposal to refund to the ratepayers the overcollection of federal taxes related to the decrease in federal tax rates for the period beginning January 1, 2018, and corresponding interest, as a surcharge credit for a one-year period beginning when the new base rates become effective in the current docket.

### IV. AGREEMENT TO SUPPORT SETTLEMENT; NON-WAIVER.

A. The Stipulating Parties will act in good faith to support the

reasonableness of this Stipulation in any hearing before the Commission and any proposed order or brief in this docket. The Stipulating Parties further agree that this Stipulation is in the public interest because it reflects a give-and-take partial settlement of contested issues.

- B. The provisions of this Stipulation do not reflect any position asserted by any of the Stipulating Parties, but reflect instead the compromise and settlement between the Stipulating Parties as to all of the issues covered hereby. No Stipulating Party waives any right to assert any position in any future proceeding or docket before this or any other Commission and in any court except insofar as the Commission is addressing litigation arising out of the implementation of the terms herein or the approval of this Stipulation. This Stipulation shall not be cited as precedent by any of the Parties with regard to any issue in any other proceeding or docket before this Commission or in any court.
- C. This Stipulation is a product of negotiation among the Stipulating Parties, and no provision of this Stipulation shall be strictly construed in favor of or against any Party.

### V. Introduction of Testimony and Waiver of Cross-Examination.

A. Except for testimony and exhibits related to the Unresolved Issues, the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of the Stipulating Parties may be received in evidence without objection, and each Party waives all right to cross examine any witness with respect to such pre-filed testimony and exhibits. If, however, questions are asked by any Commissioner, or if questions are asked or positions are taken

by any person who is not a Party, then any Party may respond to such questions by presenting testimony or exhibits and cross-examining any witness with respect to such testimony and exhibits.

B. The Stipulating Parties will cooperate in providing pre-filed testimony to explain and support this Stipulation. The Stipulating Parties agree that Aqua's application and the testimony and exhibits of the Stipulating Parties will provide sufficient support for the annual revenue requirement amounts agreed to in this Stipulation, subject to the revenue requirement effect of the Commission's decisions on the Unresolved Issues.

### VI. STIPULATION BINDING ONLY IF ACCEPTED IN ITS ENTIRETY

This Stipulation is the product of negotiation and compromise of a complex set of issues, and no portion of this Stipulation is or will be binding on any of the Parties unless the entire Partial Settlement Agreement and Stipulation is accepted by the Commission. If the Commission rejects any part of this Stipulation or approves this Stipulation subject to any change or condition, or if the Commission's approval of this Stipulation is rejected or conditioned by a reviewing court, the Stipulating Parties agree to meet and discuss the applicable Commission or court order within five business days of its issuance and to attempt in good faith to determine if they are willing to modify the Stipulation consistent with the order. No Party shall withdraw from the Stipulation prior to complying with the foregoing sentence. If any Party withdraws from the Stipulation, each Party retains the right to seek additional procedures before the Commission, including cross-examination

of witnesses, with respect to issues addressed by the Stipulation and shall not be bound or prejudiced by the terms and conditions of the Stipulation.

### VII. COUNTERPARTS

This Stipulation may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute the same instrument. Execution by facsimile signature shall be deemed to be, and shall have the same effect as, execution by original signature.

The foregoing is agreed and stipulated to this the 17+4 day of September, 2018.

Aqua North Carolina, Inc.

By:

Anne Sanford
Attorney for Aqua

Public Staff - North Carolina Utilities

Commission

By:

Christopher J. Ayers Executive Director

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Aqua North Carolina, Inc.
Doctet No. W-218, Sub 497
CALCULATION OF GROSS REVENUE
IMPACT OF PUBLIC STAFF ADJUSTMENTS
For The Test Year Ended September 30, 2017

Calculated by the Public Staff, Sum of Column (a) thru Column (e). Sattlement Exhibit 1 Page 2 of 2

Line No.	For The Test Year Ended September 30, 2017							
-	<u>hen</u>	Aqua Water [1]	Aque Sewer [1]	Feinways Water [3]	Fairways Sewer [1]	Bröokwood Water [1]	PS Filed Position [2]	Aqua Filed Position
	Bill	(a)	(p)	(c)	(d)	(0)	(1)	
50.	Adjustment for excess capacity	0	(32,940)	0	. 0	0	(32,940)	26,777
51.	Advistment to studge removal	C	13,033	0	10,048	٥	23,081	47,375
52.	Adjustment to testing	(71,311)	29,364	(5,407)	(2,070)	(19,552)	(68,976)	79,024
53.	Adjustment to purchased water	(73,822)	0	0	0		(73,622)	0
54,	Total unsettled items	[2,222,537]	3,901	(31,577)	26,400	(421,271)	[2,645,084]	572,619
55.	Revenue Impact of Public Steff adjustments (L39 + L54)	(2,995,282)	(38,064)	(123,623)	(3,114)	(507,019)	(3,667,102)	(449,199)
56.	Increase / (decrease) per Public Staff	(\$222,173)	\$590,700	(\$32,875)	\$668,638	\$284,128	\$1,268,414	\$4,486,317
57.	Increase / (docrease) per Public Staff	(222,173)	590,700	(32,875)	668,638	264,126	1,268,414	4,486,317
58.	Unprotected Federal EDIT rider	(2,763,922)	(1,100,470)	(49,255)	(106,288)	(300,717)	(4,320,652)	(4,320,652)
59.	State EDIT rider	(306,682)	(122,107)	(5,465)	(11,794)	(33,387)	(479,415)	(479,415)
60.	Total EDIT rider	(3,070,604)	(1,222,577)	[54,720]	(118,082)	(334,084)	(4,800,067)	(4,800,087)
61.	Public Staff recommended change in revenue requirement	(\$3,292,777)	(\$631,877)	(387,595)	\$550,554	(\$69,958)	(\$3,531,653)	(\$313,750)



# AQUA NORTH CAROLINA, INC. DOCKET NO. W-218, SUB 497 AQUA NORTH CAROLINA, INC. PUBLIC STAFF ENGINEERING DATA REQUEST NO. 3

Requested by:

**Lindsay Quant** 

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Date requested:

March 27, 2018 -

Phone: 919-715-2666

Due date:

April 11, 2018

Subject of Data Request: Contractual Services - Testing

For responses in Excel format, please include all working formulas.

### Testing - Water

### **Question 1**

- Q. Please provide spreadsheets showing the minimum water system testing (test types and frequencies) as currently required by NCDEQ, for all water systems.
- A. Data is tracked regionally, and the following spreadsheets are attached:
  - o Cary System Frequencies
  - o Denver Compliance Schedule
  - o Fayetteville Compliance Frequencies
  - o Kernersville Compliance Frequencies
  - o Wilmington Compliance Frequencies

Prepared by: Amanda Owens, Manager Environmental Compliance 919-653-6965

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