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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Kimberley A. Campbell
Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
430 N. Salisbury Street, Dobbs Building
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Re: Docket No. G-9, Sub 771

Dear Ms. Campbell:

Pursuant to G.S. § 62-133.4(c) and Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6), enclosed for filing is the *Direct Testimony of Todd Breece*, the *Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Jeffrey Patton*, and the *Direct Testimony and Exhibits of MaryBeth Tomlinson* attesting to the prudence of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.'s ("Piedmont") gas purchasing practices and the accuracy of Piedmont's gas cost accounting for the twelve month period ended May 31, 2020.

Pursuant to the Commission's July 23, 2020 *Order Suspending Requirements for Additional Copies of Paper Filings*, the fifteen paper copies of this filing have not been mailed to the Commission. Such copies can be provided if required at a later date.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions regarding this filing, you may reach me at the number shown above.

Sincerely,

/s/ Melinda L. McGrath
Melinda L. McGrath

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cc: Elizabeth Culpepper
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the attached is being served this date upon all of the parties to this docket electronically or by depositing a copy of the same in the United States Mail, First Class Postage Prepaid, at the addresses contained in the official service list in this proceeding.

This the 31st day of July, 2020.

/s/ Sloane K. O'Hare

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