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

*Re: Application by Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina, for Approval of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard Cost Recovery Rider Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.8 and Commission Rule R8-67
Docket No. E-22, Sub 588*

Dear Ms. Campbell:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket on behalf of Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina and the Public Staff of the North Carolina Utilities Commission is their Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

/s/Andrea R. Kells

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Enclosure

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**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 588

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
Application of Virginia Electric and Power)	
Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North)	
Carolina, for Authority to Adjust its Electric)	JOINT MOTION TO EXCUSE
Rates and Charges Pursuant to N.C.G.S.)	WITNESSES
§ 62-133.8 and Commission Rule R8-67)	

NOW COME Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (“DENC”) and the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Public Staff”) and, together, respectfully request that the North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Commission”) issue an order in the above-captioned docket excusing DENC’s and the Public Staff’s witnesses from appearing at the evidentiary hearing scheduled in this proceeding.

In support of this Motion, DENC and the Public Staff show as follows:

1. On August 11, 2020, DENC filed its Application for Approval of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard Cost Recovery Rider (“Application”) along with the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of George E. Hitch, Elizabeth B. Lecky, and Emilia L. Catron in support of the Application.
2. On September 14, 2020, the Commission issued its *Order Scheduling Hearing, Establishing Testimony and Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Public Notice*, which set the public hearing date for November 17, 2020.
3. On September 28, 2020, the Company filed the errata testimony and exhibits of witnesses Lecky and Catron.

4. On October 22, 2020, Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates I (“CIGFUR I”) filed a Petition to Intervene. The Petition was granted on October 26, 2020.

5. On October 26, 2020, the Public Staff filed the direct testimony of Jeff T. Thomas and the affidavit of Iris Morgan.

6. Also on October 26, 2020, DENC, the Public Staff, and CIGFUR I filed separate consents to holding the public evidentiary hearing in this docket by remote means.

7. On November 4, 2020, DENC filed a Letter in Lieu of Rebuttal Testimony.

8. On November 6, 2020, DENC filed its Affidavit of Publication.

9. No other parties have intervened in this proceeding.

10. For purposes of the present proceeding, the Company and the Public Staff are in agreement regarding the Company’s REPS compliance and related costs, as presented in DENC’s testimony and in the testimony and affidavit of the Public Staff. The Company and the Public Staff agree on the Company’s Rider RP and Rider RPE rates, as set forth in their respective testimony and affidavit, and there are no conflicting positions with regard to these issues in this docket. Thus, DENC and the Public Staff have reached agreement on all the issues for purposes of this proceeding, and each agrees to waive cross-examination of the other party’s witnesses.

11. Counsel for CIGFUR I has also agreed to waive cross-examination of DENC’s and the Public Staff’s witnesses and has indicated that it does not object to this motion to excuse.

12. Accordingly, DENC and the Public Staff request that their respective witnesses be excused from appearing at the hearing scheduled for November 17, 2020, unless the Commission has questions for them.

13. DENC and the Public Staff further request that the pre-filed testimony, exhibits, and affidavit of their respective witnesses be received into evidence and made part of the record in this matter.

Therefore, DENC and the Public Staff respectfully move:

1. That the Commission excuse the witnesses for DENC and the Public Staff from appearing at the hearing on November 17, 2020, unless the Commission has questions for any of these witnesses.

2. That the pre-filed testimony, exhibits, and affidavit of the respective witnesses be received into evidence and made part of the record in this matter.

2. That the Commission grant such other and further relief as the Commission deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted, this the 10th day of November, 2020.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing *Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses* filed in Docket No. E-22, Sub 588 was served electronically or via U.S. mail, first class postage prepaid, upon all parties of record.

This, the 10th day of November, 2020.

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