STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 722 DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 781 DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 786

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 722)
In the Matter of Consolidated Natural Gas Construction and Redelivery Services Agreement Between Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc., and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC)))))
DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 781))
In the Matter of Application of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc., for an Adjustment of Rates, Charges, and Tariffs Applicable to Service in North Carolina)) ORDER RESCHEDULING) EXPERT WITNESS HEARING))
DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 786))
In the Matter of Application of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc., for Modification to Existing Energy Efficiency Program and Approval of New Energy Efficiency Programs)))))

BY THE CHAIR: The expert witness hearing in the above-captioned dockets is presently scheduled to begin on Tuesday, September 7, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. remotely via Webex.

On September 2, 2021, Piedmont filed a request to delay the hearing until Thursday, September 9, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., to allow Piedmont and the Public Staff to finalize and file a formal stipulation of settlement and supporting testimony and exhibits (Request). In support of the Request, Piedmont states that it and the Public Staff have reached an agreement in principle regarding resolution of the majority of the issues in this consolidated proceeding; that the only remaining issues unresolved between Piedmont and the Public Staff are rate design and the issues raised in consolidated Docket No. G-9, Sub 722, pertaining to the Consolidated Natural Gas Construction and Redelivery

Services Agreement Between Piedmont and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC); and that Piedmont and the Public Staff are continuing to address rate design and are also working with several intervenors on these issues to determine if settlement with those parties is possible. The Request further states that Piedmont and the Public Staff commit to the filing of a formal stipulation and supporting testimony and exhibits on Tuesday, September 7, 2021. Further, Piedmont states that it has conferred with Public Staff counsel regarding the Request and that the Public Staff joins in the Request. Finally, Piedmont states that it sought input from the other parties to this docket and was authorized to represent that CUCA, DEC, CIGFUR, the Attorney General, and FPWC do not object to the Request.

Based on the foregoing and the entire record, the Chair finds good cause to reschedule the hearing to enable the parties to formalize and file their stipulation of settlement and supporting testimony and exhibits and to further pursue settlement with additional parties.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That the hearing scheduled to begin on Tuesday, September 7, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. remotely via Webex, shall be, and is hereby, cancelled; and
- 2. That the hearing is hereby rescheduled to begin on Thursday, September 9, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., remotely via Webex and will proceed thereafter as necessary.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 3rd day of September, 2021.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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