

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH
DOCKET NO. M-100 Sub 148**

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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| In the Matter of |) | |
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| The Federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act |) | ATTORNEY GENERAL'S |
| |) | OFFICE |
| |) | MOTION FOR EXTENSION |
| |) | OF TIME TO FILE |
| |) | REPLY COMMENTS |

The North Carolina Attorney General's Office ("AGO"), by and through the undersigned attorney, requests an order from the Commission granting a three business day extension of the deadline for the filing of reply comments in the above-referenced docket from Thursday, February 15, 2018, to Tuesday, February 20, 2018, as detailed below. In support of this motion, the AGO shows the following:

1. The Commission has requested that the major electric, natural gas, and water utilities in North Carolina file comments on the impact due to the change to the federal income tax rate on their North Carolina jurisdictional cost of providing utility service, and for an explanation of how they propose to account for and treat excess deferred income taxes that were accrued in earlier years under higher federal tax rates. Other interested parties were encouraged to intervene and file comments. Initial comments were filed on Thursday February 1, 2018, and reply comments are now due on Thursday, February 15, 2018.

2. The AGO filed initial comments and plans to file reply comments but requires additional time due to the complexity of the issues in this proceeding and the press of deadlines in other matters. The undersigned attorney has conferred with

attorneys for the Public Staff-North Carolina Utilities Commission, and for Duke Energy Carolinas and Duke Energy Progress, and is authorized to say that those parties do not object to an extension of the deadline for reply comments to and including Tuesday, February 20, 2018.

Based on the foregoing, the AGO seeks an order granting this motion for an extension of the deadline for all parties to file reply comments until and including February 20, 2018.

Respectfully submitted this the 13th day of February, 2018.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that she has served a copy of the foregoing ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE MOTION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE REPLY COMMENTS upon the parties of record in this proceeding by email or by depositing a copy of the same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, this the 13th day of February, 2018.

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