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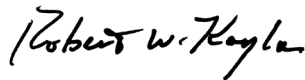
**Re: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and the Public Staff's Joint Motion to
Excuse Witnesses from Evidentiary Hearing
Docket No. E-7, Sub 1283**

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Enclosed for filing is Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and the Public Staff's Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses from Appearance at Hearing, for filing in connection with the above-referenced matter.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Robert W. Kaylor, P.A.

Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record

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**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1283

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)	
)	
Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC)	DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS,
for Approval of Renewable Energy and)	LLC AND THE PUBLIC STAFF'S
Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard)	JOINT MOTION TO EXCUSE
(REPS) Compliance Report and Cost)	WITNESSES FROM
Recovery Rider Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat.)	APPEARANCE AT HEARING
62-133.8 and Commission Rule R8-67)	

NOW COME Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (“DEC” or “Company”) and the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Public Staff”) and request that the North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Commission”) issue an order excusing all witnesses from testifying at the May 30, 2023 Evidentiary Hearing in the above-captioned matter. In support of this motion, DEC and the Public Staff show the following:

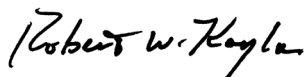
1. On February 28, 2023, DEC pre-filed the testimony and exhibits of witnesses Kimberly A. Presson and Veronica I. Williams along with the 2022 Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard (“REPS”) Compliance Report in this docket.

2. On March 16, 2023, the Commission issued its *Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Filing of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Public Notice*, setting the date and time for an Evidentiary Hearing in this docket to begin on May 30, 2023, at the conclusion of the hearings scheduled in Docket No. E-7, Subs 1281 and 1282.

3. On May 8, 2023, DEC filed the Revised Exhibit No. 4 of witness Williams.
4. On May 9, 2023, the Public Staff filed the affidavits of R. Tyler Allison and Scott J. Sailor recommending approval of the REPS Compliance Report and the Company's proposed rates and riders.
5. Counsel for DEC and the Public Staff have consulted with counsel for all parties to this docket, and all parties agree to waive cross-examination of the Company's and Public Staff's witnesses and do not object to the introduction of their testimony, exhibits, and affidavits into the record.

Accordingly, DEC and the Public Staff request that all witnesses be excused from appearing at the May 30, 2023 hearing in this docket and that the testimony, exhibits, and affidavits of the respective witnesses be received into the record.

Respectfully submitted this the 19th day of May, 2023.



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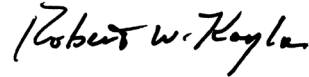
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and the Public Staff's Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses from Appearance at the Evidentiary Hearing, in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1283, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid, properly addressed to parties of record.

This the 19th day of May, 2023.



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