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June 4, 2018

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

M. Lynn Jarvis, Chief Clerk  
North Carolina Utilities Commission  
4325 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

**Re: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of Demand-Side  
Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider Pursuant to N.C.  
Gen. Stat. § 62-133.9 and NCUC Rule R8-69  
Docket No. E-7, Sub 1164**

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

I enclose the Affidavits of Publication for the Public Notice related to the Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC") for approval of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider. DEC published the Public Notice in newspapers having general coverage in its service area.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Electronically submitted  
s/ Molly McIntosh Jagannathan  
molly.jagannathan@troutmansanders.com

Enclosure

Copy: Parties of Record

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Affidavits of Publication, in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1164, has been served by electronic mail (e-mail), hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, properly addressed to parties of record.

This, the 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018.

Electronically signed  
s/ Molly McIntosh Jagannathan

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ATTORNEY FOR DUKE ENERGY  
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## AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

### BUNCOMBE COUNTY

SS.  
NORTH CAROLINA

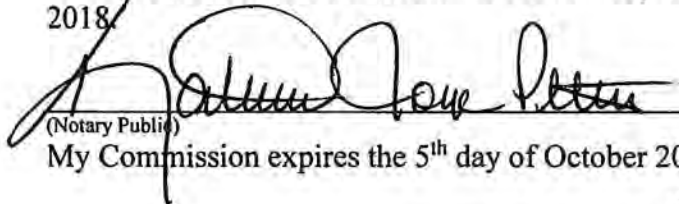
Before the undersigned, a Notary Public of said County and State, duly commissioned, qualified and authorized by law to administer oaths, personally appeared **Kelly Loveland**, who, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: that she is the **Staff Accountant** of **The Asheville Citizen-Times**, engaged in publication of a newspaper known as **The Asheville Citizen-Times**, published, issued, and entered as first class mail in the City of Asheville, in said County and State; that she is authorized to make this affidavit and sworn statement; that the notice or other legal advertisement, a true copy of which is attached hereto, was published in **The Asheville Citizen-Times** on the following date: April 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> 2018. And that the said newspaper in which said notice, paper, document or legal advertisement was published was, at the time of each and every publication, a newspaper meeting all of the requirements and qualifications of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and was a qualified newspaper within the meaning of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

Signed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018



(Signature of person making affidavit)

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 25<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018



(Notary Public)

My Commission expires the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October 2018





STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

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NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

  
Linnetta Threath, Deputy Clerk  
April 16, 2018

**AFFIDAVIT OF INSERTION OF ADVERTISEMENT**  
**The Times-News Publishing Company**

**Burlington, NC**  
**Alamance County**

I, **Stefanie Holsonback**, Legal Advertising Representative of the **Times-News Publishing Co.**, do certify that the advertisement of entitled

**State of North Carolina Utilities Commission Raleigh Docket No. E-7, SUB 1164**

Measuring 112 LINES appeared in The Times-News, a newspaper published in Alamance County, Burlington, NC, in issues of

**April 16, 23, 2018**

**Order #:**  
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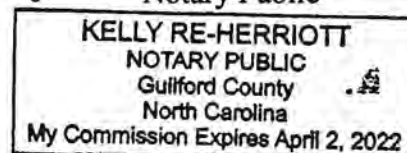
  
Legal Advertising Representative

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018

**Kelly Re-Herriott**

  
Notary Public

**My commission expires: April 02, 2022**





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April 16, 23, 2018



**The Charlotte Observer Publishing Co.  
Charlotte, NC  
Affidavit of Publication**

**Charlotte Observer**

REFERENCE: 214717 DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC L

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Before the undersigned, a Notary Public of said County and State, duly authorized to administer oaths affirmations, etc., personally appeared, being duly sworn or affirmed according to law, doth depose and say that he/she is a representative of The Charlotte Observer Publishing Company, a corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the State of Delaware, and publishing a newspaper known as The Charlotte Observer in the city of Charlotte, County of Mecklenburg, and State of North Carolina and that as such he/she is familiar with the books, records, files, and business of said Corporation and by reference to the files of said publication, the attached advertisement was inserted. The following is correctly copied from the books and files of the aforesaid Corporation and Publication.

**PUBLISHED ON: 04/16/2018, 04/23/2018**

**AD SPACE: 30.75 INCHES**

**FILED ON: 06/01/2018**

See Attached



NAME:

Sevan Ginn

**TITLE:**

acct clerk

DATE:

6-1-18

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, the day and year aforesaid.

**Notary:**

Chenni S. Foster

**My commission Expires:**

12, 11, 2022

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**Winston-Salem Journal****Advertising Affidavit****Account Number**

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**P.O Box 3159  
Winston-Salem, NC 27102****Date**

April 23, 2018

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION  
ATTN: THOMAS J. REED-HALL, NCCP  
550 S. TRYON ST.  
MAIL CODE: DEC45A  
CHARLOTTE, NC 28202

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**Publisher of the  
Winston-Salem Journal**

Before the undersigned, a Notary Public of Guilford, North Carolina, duly commissioned, qualified, and authorized by law to administer oaths, personally appeared the Publisher Representative who by being duly sworn deposes and says: that he/she is the Publisher's Representative of the Winston-Salem Journal, engaged in the publishing of a newspaper known as Winston-Salem Journal, published, issued and entered as second class mail in the City of Winston-Salem, in said County and State: that he/she is authorized to make this affidavit and sworn statement: that the notice or other legal advertisement, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the Winston-Salem Journal on the following dates:

04/16, 04/23/2018

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(signature of person making affidavit)

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 23 day of April, 2018

**LEA ANNE LAMB**  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
GUILFORD COUNTY, NC  
My Commission Expires 06-15-19

  
(Notary Public)**THIS IS NOT A BILL. PLEASE PAY FROM INVOICE. THANK YOU****OFFICIAL COPY****JUN 04 2018**



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# Hickory Daily Record

## Advertising Affidavit

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3153314

PO Box 968  
Hickory, NC 28603

Date

April 23, 2018

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ATTN: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
PO BOX 1321 (DEC45A)  
CHARLOTTE, NC 28201

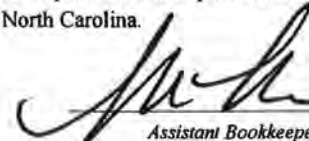
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**Publisher of**  
**Hickory Daily Record**  
**Catawba County**

Before the undersigned, a Notary Public of Iredell County, North Carolina, duly commissioned, qualified, and authorized by law to administer oaths, in said County and State; that he/she is authorized to make this affidavit and sworn statement; that the notice or other legal advertisement, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the Hickory Daily Record on the following dates:

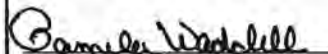
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Assistant Bookkeeper

Newspaper reference: 0000454589

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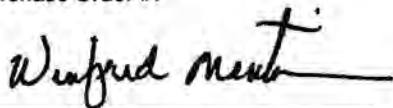
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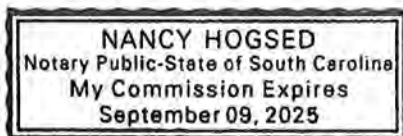
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2 Insertion(s)

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*Betsy Womble*

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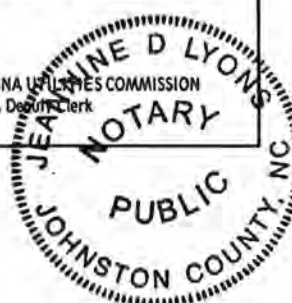
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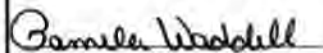
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Written statements are not evidence unless persons appear at a public hearing and testify concerning the information contained in their written statements.

Any person desiring to intervene in the proceeding as a formal party of record should file a petition under North Carolina Utilities Commission Rules R1-5 and R1-19 on or before Monday, May 21, 2018. Such petitions should be filed with the Chief Clerk of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300. The direct testimony and exhibits of expert witnesses to be presented by intervenors should also be filed with the Commission on or before Monday, May 21, 2018.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 29th day of March, 2018.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Linnetta Threatt, Deputy Clerk