## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1246

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## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, for Approval of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard Cost Recovery Rider Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.8 and Commission Rule R8-67

ORDER EXCUSING WITNESSES, ACCEPTING TESTIMONY, CANCELING EXPERT WITNESS HEARING, AND REQUIRING PROPOSED ORDERS

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On March 18, 2020, the Commission issued a Scheduling Order in the above-captioned docket that, among other things, scheduled an expert witness hearing to be held via remote means on June 1, 2021.

On June 1, 2021, the Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, and the Public Staff (Movants) filed a joint motion requesting that the Commission excuse all expert witnesses from testifying at the June 1, 2021, expert witness hearing and accept the expert witnesses' prefiled testimony, exhibits, and affidavits into the record. Movants stated that they consulted with all parties to this docket, that all parties have agreed to waive cross-examination of all witnesses and do not object to the introduction of their prefiled testimony, exhibits, and affidavits into evidence and made part of the record in this matter.

Based on Movants' motion and the record, the Commission finds good cause to excuse all witnesses from testifying at the expert witness hearing and to receive the witnesses' prefiled testimony, exhibits, and affidavits into the record.

Further, the Commission finds good cause to cancel the expert witness hearing and to require that the parties file proposed orders, or a joint proposed order, on or before July 1, 2021, and briefs by the same date, if they desire to file briefs.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 1st day of June, 2021.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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