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PUBLIC STAFF
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

November 1, 2017

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Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
4325 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

Re: Docket No. E-100, Sub 147 – 2017 Smart Grid Technology Plan Updates of Duke Energy Carolina, LLC, Duke Energy Progress, LLC, and Virginia Electric Power Company d/b/a/ Dominion Energy North Carolina.

Dear Chief Clerk:

On October 2, 2017, Duke Energy Carolina, LLC (DEC), and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP), filed updates to its respective Smart Grid Technology Plans (SGTP) as required by Commission Rule R8-60.1. On the same day, Virginia Electric Power Company d/b/a/ Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC) filed a letter stating that it reviewed its SGTP and determined that no updates to its SGTP were required.

As required by Commission Rule R8-60.1(d)(2), the Public Staff has reviewed each utility's SGTP updates and believes that the updates comply with the requirements of Rule 8-60.1. As the SGTP updates are intended to be informational, the Public Staff does not take a position on any of the smart grid technologies being considered by any individual utility.

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Based on its review of the SGTP updates, the Public Staff recommends that the Commission find that the SGTP updates filed by the utilities comply with the requirements of Rule R8-60.1.

Sincerely,

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