

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1296

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of

Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-110.8 and Commission Rule R8-71 For Approval of CPRE Program Rider and 2021 Compliance Report)	ORDER EXCUSING WITNESSES, ACCEPTING TESTIMONY, CANCELING EXPERT WITNESS HEARING, REQUIRING PROPOSED ORDERS
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BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On July 8, 2022, the Commission issued a Scheduling Order in the above-captioned docket that, among other things, scheduled an expert witness hearing to be held on September 14, 2022.

On September 7, 2022, Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP), and the Public Staff (collectively with DEP, Movants) filed a joint motion requesting that the Commission excuse all expert witnesses from testifying at the September 14, 2022, expert witness hearing and accept the expert witnesses' prefiled testimony, exhibits, and affidavits into the record. Movants stated that they have 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 Presiding Commissioner 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 Presiding Commissioner 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 October 14, 2022, and briefs by the same date, if they desire to file briefs. Finally, the Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to note that the public witness hearing will be held as scheduled.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 12th day of September, 2022.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Erica N. Green, Deputy Clerk