

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1246  
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DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1250

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1246 )  
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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 )

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In the Matter of )  
Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, for )  
Approval of CPRE Cost Recovery Rider Pursuant )  
to N.C.G.S. § 62-110.8 and Commission Rule )  
R8-71 )

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In the Matter of )  
Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, )  
Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.2 and Commission )  
Rule R8-55 Relating to Fuel and Fuel-Related )  
Costs Adjustments for Electric Utilities )

ORDER REQUIRING  
PUBLICATION OF SECOND  
PUBLIC NOTICE

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONERS: On February 23, 2021, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC or Applicant), filed its applications for approval of its annual fuel charge adjustment pursuant to N.C. Gen Stat. § 62-133.2, for approval of its Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard (REPS) cost recovery and 2020 REPS compliance report pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.8 and Commission Rule R8-67, and for approval of its competitive procurement of renewable energy program (CPRE) cost recovery rider pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-110.8.

On March 18, 2021, the Commission issued orders in the above-captioned dockets which required the Applicant to publish a Public Notice of public hearings to be held on these matters starting at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 1, 2021. The Public Notice was

attached to each respective order and, in part, stated the total annual revenue increase or decrease DEC was seeking in each proceeding.

On April 29, 2021, DEC filed the Supplemental Testimony, Exhibits and Workpapers of Bryan L. Sykes, which resulted in an increase in the amount requested in the Company's annual fuel charge adjustment rider proceeding, Docket No. E-7, Sub 1250.

On May 3, 2021, DEC filed the Supplemental Testimony of Janet A. Jones, which resulted in an increase in the amount requested in the Company's application in the annual CPRE cost recovery rider proceeding, Docket No. E-7, Sub 1247.

On May 5, 2021, DEC filed the Supplemental Testimony and Exhibits of Veronica I. Williams, which resulted in an increase in the amount requested in the Company's application in the REPS cost recovery rider proceeding, Docket No. E-7, Sub 1246.

On May 5, 2021, DEC filed a letter requesting the Commission authorize DEC to publish a Second Public Notice reflecting the updated proposed increases in the above-captioned dockets. DEC stated in its letter that notice of the public hearing has previously been published in accordance with the Commission's March 18, 2021 orders in the above-captioned dockets. DEC requested that due to the timing of the Company's supplemental filings that the Commission authorize the Company to publish the Second Public Notice on two dates prior to the public hearing, with the publications being several days apart, and the first publication occurring as soon as reasonably practicable.

Based on the foregoing and the record, the Presiding Commissioners find good cause to require DEC to publish a Second Public Notice of the June 1, 2021 public witness hearing using the Second Public Notice attached hereto as Attachment A. The Presiding Commissioners conclude that the Second Public Notice will provide reasonable and adequate notice of the requested changes in DEC's annual fuel charge adjustment rider, REPS cost recovery rider, and CPRE cost recovery rider.

Further, the Presiding Commissioners find good cause to require DEC to publish the Second Public Notice attached hereto as Appendix A in a newspaper or newspapers having general circulation in its service area on two dates prior to the public hearing, with

the publications being several days apart, and the first publication occurring as soon as reasonably practicable.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 7th day of May, 2021.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled a public hearing on an annual fuel charge adjustment rider proceeding for Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC). The fuel charge adjustment rider hearing will be held remotely on Webex and will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 1, 2021.

The Commission has scheduled a public hearing for the purpose of considering DEC's application for approval of Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency Portfolio (REPS) cost recovery and 2020 REPS compliance report. The REPS hearing will be held remotely on Webex and will begin immediately following the fuel charge adjustment hearing.

The Commission has scheduled a public hearing for the purpose of considering the annual competitive procurement of renewable energy program (CPRE) cost recovery proceeding for DEC. The CPRE hearing will be held remotely on Webex and will begin immediately following the hearings in Docket Nos. E-7, Subs 1250 and 1246.

A link to view each hearing will be available at [www.ncuc.net](http://www.ncuc.net). Public witness testimony will be received in accordance with instructions in the scheduling orders in the respective dockets noted above.

### **Docket No. E-7, Sub 1250**

DEC filed an application and testimony relative to its fuel rider adjustment on February 23, 2021. According to DEC's initial application, the proposed changes in fuel rates would result in decreases of the current fuel rates of all customer classes, with the amount of the decrease varying for different customer classes. The net effect of DEC's request as filed in its application would decrease the monthly bill of a typical residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt hours per month by \$1.94, excluding the regulatory fee.

On March 18, 2021, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Filing of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines and Requiring Public Notice (Fuel Scheduling Order). The Fuel Scheduling Order, among other things, required DEC to publish a Public Notice of the public hearing and of the proposed changes in monthly fuel rates.

Through supplemental testimony and exhibits filed on April 29, 2021, after the Public Notice of the original proposed fuel charges had been published by DEC pursuant to the Commission's Fuel Scheduling Order, DEC revised its proposed monthly fuel rates. The revisions, if approved by the Commission, would result in fuel charges higher than the charges stated in the original Public Notice published by DEC. In the case of the monthly bill of a typical residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt hours per month, DEC revised its proposed decrease to \$1.38, excluding the regulatory fee. The proposed changes in all customers' fuel rates would be effective for service rendered on and after September 1, 2021.

### **Docket No. E-7, Sub 1247**

DEC filed an application and testimony relative to its competitive procurement of renewable energy program (CPRE) cost recovery rider on February 23, 2021. According to DEC's initial application, the proposed riders would result in increased charges per kilowatt hour to all customer classes, with the amount of the increase varying for different customer classes. The net effect of DEC's request as filed in its application would increase the monthly bill of a residential customer using 1,000 kWh of electricity by \$0.34 per month.

On March 18, 2021, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Filing of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines and Requiring Public

Notice (CPRE Scheduling Order). The CPRE Scheduling Order, among other things, required DEC to publish a Public Notice of the public hearing and of the proposed changes in monthly CPRE rider rates.

Through supplemental testimony and exhibits filed on May 3, 2021, after the Public Notice of the original proposed CPRE charges had been published by DEC pursuant to the Commission's CPRE Scheduling Order, DEC revised its proposed monthly CPRE rates. The revisions, if approved by the Commission, would result in CPRE rider charges lower than the charges stated in the original Public Notice published by DEC. In the case of the monthly bill of a typical residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt hours per month, DEC's revised application proposes an increase of \$0.17 per month when compared to the currently approved rates. The proposed changes in all customers' monthly CPRE rider rates would be effective for service rendered on and after September 1, 2021.

### **Docket No. E-7, Sub 1246**

DEC filed an application and testimony relative to its REPS cost recovery rider on February 23, 2021. According to DEC's initial application, the proposed riders would result in increased charges per month to the residential and general service customer classes, and a decrease in the monthly charge to the industrial customer class, with the amounts of the monthly changes varying by customer classes. The original proposed increases in monthly charges for the residential and general service customer classes were \$0.32 and \$1.20, respectively, and the original proposed decrease in the monthly charge for the industrial customer class was \$23.60, all including regulatory fee.

On March 18, 2021, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Filing of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines and Requiring Public Notice (REPS Scheduling Order). The REPS Scheduling Order, among other things, required DEC to publish a Public Notice of the public hearing, and of the proposed changes in monthly REPS rider charges.

Through supplemental testimony and exhibits filed on May 4, 2021, after the Public Notice of the original proposed REPS rider charges had been published by DEC pursuant to the Commission's REPS Scheduling Order, DEC revised its proposed monthly REPS charges. The revisions, if approved by the Commission, would result in monthly REPS rider charges that are lower for the residential customer class and higher for the general service and industrial customer classes than the charges stated in the original Public Notice published by DEC. The revised proposed monthly charges by customer class, including regulatory fee, are increases of \$0.16 for residential, \$1.33 for general service, and \$11.46 for industrial. Proposed changes in all customers' monthly REPS rider charges would be effective for service rendered on and after September 1, 2021.

Further information is available to the public by reviewing DEC's applications and supplemental filings on the Commission's website at [www.ncuc.net](http://www.ncuc.net).

The Public Staff is authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Written statements to the Public Staff should include any information that the writers wish to be considered by the Public Staff in its investigation of the matter. Such statements should be addressed to Mr. Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300.

The Attorney General is also authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Statements to the Attorney General should be addressed to The Honorable Josh Stein, Attorney General, c/o Consumer Protection-Utilities, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-9001. Written statements may be emailed to utilityAGO@ncdoj.gov.

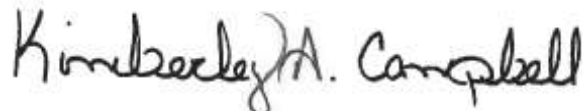
Written statements are not evidence unless persons appear at a public hearing and testify concerning the information contained in their written statements.

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 10, 2021. 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 10, 2021.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 7th day of May, 2021.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk