## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

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## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Petition of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, Requesting Approval of Green Source Advantage Program and Rider GSA to Implement N.C.G.S. § 62-159.2

ORDER PARTIALLY SUSPENDING PROGRAM OPENING

BY THE COMMISSION: On June 5, 2019, in the above-captioned proceeding, the Commission issued an Order Approving Compliance Filing. The Order Approving Compliance Filing directed Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (together, Duke), to open the Green Source Advantage Program (GSA Program) that was established pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-159.2 on or before October 4, 2019 (60 days from the date of the Order Approving Compliance Filing).

On September 10, 2019, the North Carolina Clean Energy Business Alliance (NCCEBA) and the North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association (NCSEA) filed a motion for clarification, requesting that the Commission issue an order clarifying that the fixed bill credit option available under the Commission-approved GSA Program does not include the solar integration services charge proposed in the 2018 biennial avoided cost proceeding (Docket No. E-100, Sub 158) and that the fixed bill credit is based on the avoided cost methodology and rates approved in the 2016 biennial avoided cost proceeding (Docket No. E-100, Sub 158).<sup>1</sup>

On September 20, 2019, Duke filed comments in response to NCCEBA and NCSEA's motion for clarification. In summary, Duke states that it has agreed with the Public Staff and with NCCEBA and NCSEA to not apply the solar integration services charge or the rates proposed in Docket No. E-100, Sub 158, to the fixed bill credit option available in the GSA Program until the Commission issues an order in that proceeding that resolves these issues.

The Commission finds good cause to suspend the availability of the fixed bill credit option under the GSA Program to facilitate the issuance of a notice of decision or final order in Docket No. E-100, Sub 158. The Commission notes that the issues raised by NCCEBA and NCSEA do not impact the "hourly marginal avoided cost bill credit" option available under the Commission-approved GSA Program, and, therefore, further finds

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The proposed solar integration services charge and Duke's proposed avoided cost rates are pending before the Commission in the 2018 biennial avoided cost proceeding (Docket No. E-100, Sub 158).

good cause to direct Duke to make this bill credit option available on October 4, 2019, consistent with the Order Approving Compliance Filing. After issuing a notice of decision or final order in Docket No. E-100, Sub 158, the Commission will proceed as appropriate to resolve the issues raised in NCCEBA and NCSEA's motion for clarification.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2019.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk