

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. G-5, SUB 495

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Public Service Company of)	ORDER GRANTING
North Carolina, Inc., for a General Increase)	MOTION TO EXCUSE
in its Rates and Charges)	WITNESSES

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On August 20, 2008, Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. (PSNC), filed a letter stating that the Attorney General (AG), the Public Staff, the Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc. (CUCA), and Texican Horizon Energy Marketing, Inc. (Texican), (collectively referred to as the Parties) have agreed to the entry of the testimony and exhibits of PSNC witnesses D. Russell Harris, Sharon D. Boone, and Dr. Donald R. Murry into the record in the above-mentioned docket without objection and to waive the right of cross-examination. PSNC requests that Mr. Harris, Ms. Boone, and Dr. Murry be excused from the hearing, which begins on Tuesday, August 26, 2008, and that their testimony and exhibits be stipulated into the record.

On August 20, 2008, the Attorney General filed a letter stating that the Parties have agreed to the admission into evidence of the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of witness Roger D. Colton. The Attorney General requests that Mr. Colton be excused from the hearing and that his testimony and exhibits be stipulated into the record.

The Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to excuse PSNC witnesses D. Russell Harris, Sharon D. Boone, and Dr. Donald R. Murry, and AG witness Roger D. Colton from attending the hearing and to allow their prefiled testimony to be copied into the record by stipulation of the parties.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER.

This the 22nd day of August, 2008.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Patricia Swenson, Deputy Clerk