STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 771

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Application of Piedmont Natural Gas)
Company, Inc., for Annual Review of Gas) ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF
Costs Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.4(c) and) TIME TO FILE TESTIMONY
Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6))

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On August 4, 2020, the Commission issued a Scheduling Order in the above-captioned docket regarding an annual review of the gas costs of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.(Piedmont). The Scheduling Order, among other things, requires the Public Staff and other intervenors to file their direct testimony and exhibits (testimony), on or before September 21, 2020, and Piedmont to file its rebuttal testimony, if any, within ten days of the filing of direct testimony.

On September 18, 2020, the Public Staff filed a motion requesting that the date for filing direct testimony be extended to September 24, 2020. In summary, the Public Staff stated that it sent four data requests to Piedmont and that Piedmont has provided most of the requested information, but that Piedmont has indicated that it will not be able to provide complete responses to the Public Staff's last two data requests until the day after the Public Staff's testimony is due to be filed. The Public Staff stated that it would like the opportunity to review all of Piedmont's responses to its data requests before filing its testimony and, therefore, it needs an additional three days to review the Company's responses and file its testimony. Finally, the Public Staff stated that it was authorized to represent that Piedmont does not object to the requested extension of time.

Based on the Public Staff's motion and the record, the Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to extend the due date for the Public Staff and other intervenors to file direct testimony to September 24, 2020.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 18th day of September, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Deputy Clerk

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