STAFF CONFERENCE AGENDA

December 18, 2023

Commission Hearing Room 2115, 10:00 a.m.

ELECTRIC

ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS

Dominion Energy North Carolina

- 1. <u>Docket No. E-22, Sub 569</u> Closure of the Residential Appliance Recycling Program (*T. Williamson/Feeman*)
- 2. <u>Docket No. E-22, Sub 572</u> Closure of the Non-Residential Office Program (*T. Williamson/Freeman*)
- 3. <u>Docket No. E-22, Sub 573</u> Closure of the Non-Residential Lighting Systems and Controls Program *(T. Williamson/Freeman)*

AFFILIATE AGREEMENTS

Dominion Energy North Carolina

- 4. <u>Docket No. E-22, Sub 476</u> Application for Approval of Revised Affiliate Services Agreement with Dominion Energy Services, Inc. (*Brown/Zhang/Freeman*)
- 5. <u>Docket No. E-22, Sub 477</u> Application for Approval of Revised Affiliate Services Agreement with Dominion Energy Technical Solutions, Inc. (*Brown/Zhang/Freeman*)

NATURAL GAS

BUSINESS COMBINATION TRANSACTION

Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc.

6. <u>Docket No. G-5, Sub 667</u> – Joint Application of Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. and Enbridge Parrot Holdings, LLC to Engage in a Business Combination Transaction (*Johnson/Boswell/Culpepper*)

TAX RIDER BALANCE

Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc.

7. <u>Docket No. G-5, Sub 669</u> – Application for Authorization to Transfer the Tax Rider Balance to the All Customers' Gas Deferred Account *(Johnson/Holt)*

The Public Staff recommends approval of the preceding agenda items as described above and reflected in proposed orders provided to the Commission Staff.

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 569

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application by Virginia Electric and Power)	
Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North)	ORDER CLOSING PROGRAM
Carolina, for Closure of the Residential)	
Appliance Recycling Program)	

BY THE COMMISSION: On November 13, 2023, Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC or the Company), filed an application (Application) seeking approval to close its Residential Appliance Recycling Program (Program) and requesting that the Program be closed to participation as of January 1, 2024, and to withdraw its rate schedule RAR as of the closure date of the Program. This Phase VII Program was originally approved as an energy efficiency program on November 13, 2019, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-68. The Program as originally approved provides qualifying residential customers incentives to reduce their energy consumption by recycling less efficient freezers and refrigerators and reduces participants total energy bills as well as the amount of energy required throughout the year.

In support of its motion, the Company explains that, on August 4, 2023, the Virginia State Corporation Commission issued an order approving the Company's petition to close the Program in Virginia. DENC states that the Company did not receive any viable market interest in response to requests for proposals seeking cost-effective bids for collecting refrigerators and freezers for the Program, either as part of a bundled offering or as a stand-alone program.

The Company further stated that it is not seeking approval of the Program on a North Carolina-only basis due to the lack of participation and similar challenges in seeking cost-effective vendor bids.

The Public Staff presented this matter to the Commission at its regular Staff Conference of December 18, 2023. The Public Staff stated that it had reviewed the Company's request and agreed with the Company's conclusion that a North Carolina-only version of the Program would likely not be cost-effective. The Public Staff recommends that the Commission issue its proposed order approving the Company's Application.

Based on the foregoing, the Commission is of the opinion that the Company's request to close the Residential Appliance Recycling Program is reasonable and should be approved as filed.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

- 1. That DENC is hereby authorized to close the Residential Appliance Recycling Program effective December 31, 2023; and
- 2. That DENC's rate schedule RAR may be withdrawn as of the effective date of the Program closure.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the ____ day of December, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 572

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application by Virginia Electric and Power)	
Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North)	ORDER CLOSING PROGRAM
Carolina, for Closure of the Non-Residential)	
Office Program)	

BY THE COMMISSION: On November 13, 2023, Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC or the Company), filed an application (Application) seeking approval to close its Non-Residential Office Program (Program) and requesting that the Program be closed to participation as of January 1, 2024, and to withdraw its rate schedule NROP as of the closure date of the Program. The Program was originally approved as an energy efficiency program on November 13, 2019, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-68. The Program as originally approved provides qualifying non-residential customers incentives to install energy efficiency improvements consisting of recommissioning measures at smaller office facilities and reduces participants total energy bills as well as the amount of energy required throughout the year.

In support of its motion, DENC states that the Virginia Clean Economy Act changed certain automatic exemptions to an opt-out process and changed the demand threshold from 500 kilowatts to 1 megawatt. Based on these changes, the Company proposed to streamline this Program with the approved Phase IX Non-Residential Building Optimization Program since the measure offerings are substantially the same.

On August 4, 2023, the Virginia State Corporation Commission issued its order approving the Company's petition to close the Program in Virginia.

The Public Staff presented this matter to the Commission at its regular Staff Conference of December 18, 2023. The Public Staff stated that it had reviewed the Company's request and agrees with the Company's proposal to streamline the Program with existing Phase IX Non-Residential Building Optimization Program. The Public Staff recommends that the Commission issue its proposed order approving the Company's Application.

Based on the foregoing, the Commission is of the opinion that the Company's request to close the Non-Residential Office Program is reasonable and should be approved as filed.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

- 1. That DENC is hereby authorized to close the Non-Residential Office Program effective December 31, 2023; and
- 2. That DENC's rate schedule NROP may be withdrawn as of the effective date of the Program closure.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the _____ day of December, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 573

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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BY THE COMMISSION: On November 13, 2023, Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC or the Company), filed an application (Application) seeking approval to close its Phase VII Non-Residential Lighting Systems and Controls Program (Program) and requesting that the Program be closed to participation as of June 1, 2023, and to withdraw its rate schedule NRLSC2 as of the closure date of the Program. The Program was originally approved as a demand response program on November 13, 2019, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-68. The Program as originally approved provides qualifying non-residential customers incentives to implement more efficient lighting technologies that can provide verifiable savings and reduces participants' total energy bills as well as the amount of energy required throughout the year. The Program also provides capacity savings during the Company's peak demand periods.

In support of its motion, DENC explains that the Program has been replaced by the Phase X Non-Residential Lighting Systems and Controls Program, which DENC began offering on June 1, 2023. The Company further states that the Phase X program offers a seamless continuation of the Phase VII program consisting of the same program measures.

On August 10, 2022, the Virginia State Corporation Commission issued its order approving the Company's petition to close the Program in Virginia.

The Company requested the program close effective June 1, 2023 – that is, prior to the filing of this matter. The Company confirmed to the Public Staff that no new customers signed up for the Program on or after June 1, 2023. The Public Staff is not opposed to the Company's request under these circumstances.

The Public Staff presented this matter to the Commission at its regular Staff Conference of December 18, 2023. The Public Staff stated that it had reviewed the Company's request and agrees with the Company's proposal to replace the Program with the existing Phase X Non-Residential Lighting Systems and Controls Program. The Public Staff recommends that the Commission issue its proposed order approving the Company's Application.

Based on the foregoing, the Commission is of the opinion that the Company's request to close the Phase VII Non-Residential Lighting Systems and Controls Program is reasonable and should be approved as filed.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

- 1. That DENC is hereby authorized to close the Phase VII Non-Residential Lighting Systems and Controls Program effective June 1, 2023; and
- 2. That DENC's rate schedule NRLSC2 may be withdrawn as of the effective date of the Program closure.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the ____ day of December, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 476

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

)	ORDER APPROVING
)	AFFILIATE AGREEMENT FOR
)	FILING AND ALLOWING
)	PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION
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BY THE COMMISSION: On October 20, 2023, Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC or the Company), filed a petition pursuant to North Carolina General Statute § 62-153(b) and Condition (3) of the North Carolina Utilities Commission's (Commission) January 26, 2021 Order Accepting Affiliate Agreements for Filing and Allowing Payment of Compensation issued in the above-captioned proceeding requesting approval of an amended revised service agreement for a three year term effective January 1, 2024. DENC requested that the Commission approve the Revised Services Agreement (Revised DES Services Agreement) under which Dominion Energy Services, Inc. (DES) would continue to provide accounting, legal, human resources, information technology, management, and other centralized services to DENC. Further, DENC requested services previously provided by Dominion Energy Fuel Services, Inc. (DE Fuels), to DENC under the DE Fuels affiliate agreement to be provided by DES going forward as part of the Revised DES Services Agreement.

DENC and DE Fuels have an existing, expiring affiliate agreement approved by the Commission in Docket No. E-22, Sub 477. In this filing, DENC stated that Dominion Energy Inc. has been consolidating all its fuel procurement functions into DES and requested the existing DE Fuels service to be moved to service provided by DES.

The Public Staff's review of the Revised DES Services Agreement included a review of DENC's petitions, DENC's Regulatory Conditions and Code of Conduct approved by the Commission in Docket No. E-22, Sub 551, and discussions with the Company. Further, the Public Staff notes that the Revised DES Services Agreement was approved by the VSCC by order issued October 30, 2023. The Public Staff presented this item at the Commission's Regular Staff Conference on December 18, 2023. The Public Staff stated it had completed its review and recommends the Commission approve the Revised DES Services Agreement subject to the following conditions:

1) That the Revised DES Services Agreement be accepted for filing and payment thereunder for a term of three years, from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2026.

- 2) If the Company wishes to extend the Revised DES Services Agreement beyond the three-year period, separate Commission approval will be required.
- 3) No changes may be made to any of the Revised DES Services Agreement without prior filing with the Commission, including changes in the terms and conditions, allocation methodologies, service category descriptions, and successors or assigns. DENC is required to file any proposed amendments prior to the execution of an amended agreement and prior to any payment for services pursuant to an amended agreement.
- 4) The Commission's acceptance of the Revised DES Services Agreement and approval of payment thereunder shall have no accounting or ratemaking implications.
- 5) The Commission's acceptance of the Revised DES Services Agreement and approval of payment thereunder shall be limited to the specific services identified in the Revised DES Service Agreement. Should DENC wish to obtain additional services from affiliates other than those specifically identified in the revised services agreement, separate Commission approval shall be required.
- 6) DENC shall be required to provide written notice to the Commission within 15 days of any election, by either DENC or DES, of new services not currently selected in the Revised DES Services Agreement that it intends to take pursuant to such agreement, regardless of the cost of such services. If new services are selected, DENC shall include that information in its Annual Report of Affiliated Transactions (ARAT) filed in Docket No. E-22, Sub 551A.
- 7) All terms of the Revised DES Services Agreement and the activities conducted pursuant thereto shall remain subject to DENC's compliance with its Regulatory Conditions and Code of Conduct approved by the Commission in the Dominion/SCANA Merger Order.
- 8) All services provided by DES pursuant to the Revised DES Services Agreement shall be at the lower of cost or market. Supporting documentation for such transactions shall be made available for Public Staff and Commission review upon request, including the periodically conducted market price studies required by Regulatory Condition No. 4.2.
- 9) DENC shall have the burden of proving that any and all goods and services procured from DES have been procured on the most favorable terms and conditions reasonably available in the relevant market, which shall include a showing that such goods and services could not have been procured at a lower price from qualified non-affiliate sources, or that DENC could not have provided the services or goods for itself on the same basis at a lower cost, as required by Regulatory Condition No. 4.2(a). Records of such investigations and comparisons shall be made available for Public Staff and Commission review upon request.

- 10) DES shall only charge DENC direct or allocated costs for fuel procurement and environmental commodities services, provided by DE Fuels to DENC under the Revised DES Services Agreement. Any other services performed by DE Fuels and not for the benefit of DENC's ratepayers shall not be directly charged or allocated to DENC.
- 11) The Commission's acceptance of the Revised DES Services Agreement and authorization of payment thereunder shall not be deemed in connection with any future proceeding before the Commission to determine and establish DENC's retail rates or for any other purpose, or to constitute Commission approval of any level of charges directly charged, assigned, or allocated to DENC under the agreement, or guarantee of recovery of any costs associated with the agreement, and the authority granted is without prejudice to the right of any party to take issue with any provision of the agreements in a future proceeding.
- 12) All terms of the Revised DES Services Agreement and the activities conducted pursuant thereto remain subject to ongoing review as to their appropriateness and reasonableness and to modification by the Commission upon its own motion, or upon a motion by the Public Staff or another party.
- 13) All goods and services rendered pursuant to the Revised DES Services Agreement and the costs and benefits directly charged, assigned, and/or allocated in connection with such services, and the determination or calculation of the bases and factors utilized to assign or allocate such costs and benefits, remain subject to ongoing review as to their appropriateness and reasonableness and to further action by the Commission upon its own motion or upon the motion of any party.
- 14) DENC shall include all transactions under the Revised DES Services Agreement in its ARAT filed with the Commission. The report of the transactions should include the docket number in which the Revised DES Services Agreement was approved, the name and type of activity performed by each direct and indirect affiliate/future affiliate to the agreements, and a schedule in Excel electronic spreadsheet format, with formulas intact, listing the prior year's transactions by month, type of service, FERC account, and the dollar amount (as the transaction is recorded on the Company's books).
- 15) DENC shall continue to involve the Public Staff in the ongoing work the VSCC required DENC to engage in regarding the verification and auditing of DES charges.
- 16) DENC shall continue to include a Status Report in its ARAT describing DENC's progress toward implementing the DENC-prepared Detailed Report's measures/recommendations set forth in Attachment D to DENC's application for approval of the current DES services agreement filed in Docket No. E-22, Sub 476 on October 30, 2018. DENC shall be required to maintain records that shall be made available to the Public Staff and Commission upon request to support any statement or claims made in the Detailed Report and the Status Report.

- 17) The Commission reserves the right to examine the books and records of DENC and any affiliate in connection with the Revised DES Services Agreement, whether or not such affiliate is regulated by this Commission.
- 18) Commission approval is required for DES or another services company to provide centralized services to DENC under the Revised DES Services Agreement by the engagement of affiliated third parties.
- 19) DENC shall file with the Commission a signed and executed copy of the Revised DES Services Agreement within 30 days of the date of this order.
- 20) The Commission's acceptance of the amended revised services agreement and the authorization of DENC to make payments pursuant to the agreements does not constitute approval of the amount of fees or compensation paid by DENC under the agreements for ratemaking purposes.

DENC has agreed to the conditions recommended by the Public Staff. The Public Staff requests that the Commission issue an order consistent with its recommendations.

Based upon the foregoing and the record, the Commission concludes that pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-153(b) the Revised DES Services Agreement should be accepted for filing and that DENC should be authorized to make payments for its receipt of services in accordance with the terms of the affiliate agreement, subject to the conditions recommended by the Public Staff, as set forth above.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1) That the Revised DES Services Agreement is accepted for filing;
- 2) That DENC is authorized to make payments under the Revised DES Services Agreement in accordance with their terms; and
- 3) That the Commission's acceptance for filing and authorization of DENC to make payments under the Revised DES Services Agreement shall be subject to the conditions recommended by the Public Staff, as enumerated in the body of this order.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the ____ day of December, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 477

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application by Virginia Electric and Power)	PROPOSED ORDER
Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North)	GRANTING INTERIM
Carolina, for Approval of Revised Affiliate)	AUTHORITY TO OPERATE
Services Agreement)	UNDER REVISED AFFILIATE
-)	AGREEMENT

BY THE COMMISSION: On October 20, 2023, Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC or the Company), filed an application in the above-captioned docket for approval of a revised affiliate agreement (Revised Agreement) pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-153(b) and Condition (3) of the North Carolina Utilities Commission's January 26, 2021 Order Accepting Affiliate Agreements for Filing and Allowing Payment of Compensation issued in the above-captioned proceeding (Commission 2021 Order) governing the provision by Dominion Energy Technical Solutions, Inc. (DTECH) of needed services to DENC at DENC's election (Application). The Company also requested continuation of previously granted exemptions allowing future affiliates, not identified in the Application, that would annually bill to DENC less than \$500,000 for any one service and less than \$2 million in total services to provide limited services to the Company subject to these caps, if such future affiliates execute the Revised Form Affiliate Services Agreement also submitted with the Application.

The currently effective agreement between DENC and DTECH was approved by the Commission in this docket on January 26, 2021, in its Order Accepting Affiliate Agreements for Filing and Allowing payment of Compensation.

The Revised Agreement will terminate at the end of its currently approved term on December 31, 2023. The Company requested Commission approval of the Revised Agreement on or before December 22, 2023, so that the Revised Agreement would be effective on January 1, 2024. In the alternative, the Company requested interim authority to operate under the Revised Agreement beginning on January 1, 2024, until such time as the Commission has had an opportunity to act upon the Application.

The Public Staff presented this matter on December 18, 2023, at the Commission Regular Staff Conference. The Public Staff stated that it is diligently working on its evaluation of the Revised Agreement but needs more time to complete its review, and that it does not oppose the Commission granting DENC interim authority to operate under the Revised Agreement, subject to the same conditions as originally approved in the Commission's 2021 Order, until the Public Staff can complete its review. The Public Staff further stated that, once its review is complete, it will present its final recommendations to the Commission through a filing or by presenting the matter at a future Commission Regular Staff Conference.

Based upon the foregoing and the record, the Commission finds good cause to grant the Company's request for interim authority to operate under the Revised Agreement, subject to the same conditions set forth in the Commission's 2021 Order.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That the Company is authorized to operate under the Revised Agreement, subject to the same conditions set forth in the Commission's 2021 Order, on an interim basis after the termination of the currently approved affiliate agreement on December 31, 2023, pending issuance by the Commission of a further order regarding the proposed Revised Agreement.
- 2. That for ratemaking purposes, this action does not constitute approval of the amount of compensation paid pursuant to this interim authority, and the interim authority granted herein is without prejudice to the right of any party to take issue with any provision of the Revised Agreement in an appropriate future proceeding.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the ___ day of December, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk

DOCKET NO. G-5, SUB 667

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Joint Application of Public Service Company of)	ORDER SCHEDULING
North Carolina, Inc. and Enbridge Parrot)	HEARINGS, ESTABLISHING
Holdings, LLC to Engage in a Business)	DISCOVERY GUIDELINES,
Combination Transaction)	AND REQUIRING CUSTOMER
)	NOTICE

BY THE COMMISSION: On October 20, 2023, Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc., d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (PSNC) and Enbridge Parrot Holdings, LLC (EP Holdings) (together, Joint Applicants) filed a joint application pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-111(a) and Commission Rule R1-5 for authorization to engage in a business combination transaction (the Transaction). Attached to the joint application were the following: the Purchase and Sale Agreement (the Agreement) entered into by Dominion Energy, Inc. (Dominion Energy) and EP Holdings; a Cost-Benefit Analysis; and a Market Power Analysis.

On November 15, 2023, EP Holdings filed the Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Michele Harradence, James Sanders, and Christopher Johnston, and the expert Direct Testimony and Exhibits of John Reed of Concentric Energy Advisors. On November 15, 2023, PSNC filed the Direct Testimony of D. Russell Harris. The joint application and testimony are hereinafter collectively referred to as the Joint Application.

The Joint Applicants request that the Commission authorize the sale by Dominion Energy of all of the membership interests of Fall North Carolina Holdco LLC (NC Holdco) to EP Holdings, a holding company and direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Enbridge Genoa U.S. Holdings, LLC (Genoa Holdings). Subject to and following the Commission's approval of the Transaction and pursuant to the Agreement, EP Holdings will become the indirect parent of PSNC. PSNC will become an indirect subsidiary of Genoa Holdings, will no longer be an indirect subsidiary of Dominion Energy, and will operate under the tradename "Enbridge Gas North Carolina".

The Commission's Order Requiring Filing of Analyses issued November 2, 2000, in Docket No. M-100, Sub 129 (Sub 129 Order), requires that merger applications be accompanied by a market power analysis and a cost-benefit analysis. The Joint

¹ On November 20, 2023, the Commission issued its Order Approving Corporate Reorganization authorizing the reorganization of PSNC's relationship with its corporate parents whereby PSNC will become a wholly-owned direct subsidiary of NC Holdco and will own all the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock in PSNC. NC Holdco is a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Dominion Energy.

Applicants submit that the Cost-Benefit Analysis and Market Power Analysis attached to the Joint Application comply with this requirement.

The Public Staff presented this matter at the Commission's Regular Staff Conference on December 18, 2023, and recommends that an order be issued setting the Joint Application for hearing, establishing deadlines for petitions to intervene and the filing of testimony, establishing appropriate discovery rules, and requiring public notice. The Public Staff further recommends that the procedural order state that the Joint Application satisfies the requirements of the Sub 129 Order.

Based upon a review of the Joint Application and the recommendations of the Public Staff, the Commission finds good cause to set the Joint Application for hearing, establish deadlines for petitions to intervene and the filing of testimony, establish appropriate discovery rules, and require public notice. Further, the Commission finds and concludes that the Joint Application satisfies the requirements of the Sub 129 Order.

The guidelines regarding discovery in this docket, subject to modification for good cause shown, are as follows:

- 1. Any deposition shall be taken before the deadline for the filing of the Public Staff and other intervenor testimony. Notice of deposition shall be served on all parties at least seven calendar days prior to the taking of the deposition. Notice of deposition and all other discovery notices, requests and motions shall be served on the appropriate parties by hand delivery or facsimile, or by electronic delivery if the receiving party has agreed to receipt by electronic delivery.
- 2. Any motion for subpoena of a witness to appear at the expert witness hearing shall be filed with the Commission before the deadline for the filing of the Public Staff and intervenor testimony, shall be served on the person sought to be subpoenaed at or before the time of filing with the Commission, and shall make a reasonable showing that the evidence of such person will be material and relevant to an issue in the proceeding. See N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-62. Unless an objection is filed, the Chief Clerk shall issue the requested subpoena within two business days after such a motion is filed.
- 3. Formal discovery requests related to the Joint Application and Joint Applicants' prefiled direct testimony shall be served on the Joint Applicants no later than ____ business days prior to the filing of the Public Staff and other intervenor testimony. The party served shall have up to ____ business days to file with the Commission objections to the discovery requests on an item-by-item basis, but in no event shall objections be filed later than ____ business days prior to the deadline for the filing of Public Staff and other intervenor testimony.
- 4. Formal discovery requests related to the prefiled testimony of the Public Staff or intervenors shall be served no later than ____ business days after the filing of that party's testimony. The party served shall have up to ____ business days to file with the Commission objections to the discovery requests on an item-by-item basis, but in no

event shall objections be filed later than ____ business days after the filing of that party's testimony.

- 5. Formal discovery requests related to prefiled rebuttal testimony shall be served no later than ____ business days after such testimony is filed. The party served shall have up to ____ business days to file with the Commission objections to the discovery requests on an item-by-item basis, but in no event shall objections be filed later than ____ business days after rebuttal testimony was filed. Discovery related to rebuttal testimony shall be limited to new material introduced in such rebuttal testimony and will be carefully scrutinized upon objection that such discovery should have been sought during the initial period of discovery.
- 6. Discovery requests need not be filed with the Commission when served; however, any party filing objections shall attach a copy of the relevant discovery request to the objections. Each discovery request, or part thereof, to which no objection is filed shall be answered by the time objections are due, subject to other agreement of the affected parties or other order of the Commission. Upon the filing of an objection, the party seeking discovery shall have ____ business days to file with the Commission a motion to compel, and the party objecting to discovery shall have ____ business days thereafter to file a response. All objections, motions to compel, and responses shall be served on the other affected party at or before the time of filing with the Commission.
- 7. A party shall not be granted an extension of time to pursue discovery due to that party's late intervention or other delay in initiating discovery.
- 8. Where any action specified herein is required to be taken within a specified number of days, the time within which the action must be taken shall be computed in accordance with Commission Rule R1-27.

The Commission urges all parties to work in a cooperative manner and to try to accommodate discovery within the time available. The Commission recognizes that in the past most discovery has been conducted in an informal manner without the need for Commission involvement or enforcement, and that such has been generally successful. The above guidelines are without prejudice to the parties conducting informal discovery or exchanging information by agreement at any time with the understanding that such will not be enforceable by the Commission if outside these guidelines.

Further, the Commission finds good cause to require PSNC, EP Holdings, and all other parties who file exhibits and workpapers that include tables of numbers and calculations to provide the Commission Staff, Public Staff, and any other party upon request, an electronic version of all such exhibits and workpapers, with formulas intact.

Finally, the Commission finds good cause to require the Joint Applicants to consult with all of the parties and file, no later than [INSERT DATE], a list of witnesses to be called at the expert witness hearing, the order of witnesses, and each party's estimated time for cross-examination of each witness. If the parties cannot agree, the remaining parties shall, no

later than [INSERT DATE], make a filing indicating their points of disagreement with the Joint Applicants' filing.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That the Joint Application satisfies the requirements of the Sub 129 Order.
- 2. That a hearing for the purpose of receiving public witness testimony on the Joint Application shall be, and is hereby, scheduled to begin at [INSERT TIME] on [INSERT DATE] via Webex. This hearing will be held remotely to facilitate participation from the public. A link to view the hearing will be available at www.ncuc.gov. Members of the public that would like to testify must register in advance of the hearing, no later than 5:00 p.m. on [INSERT DATE].
- 3. That the public witness hearing will be conducted solely for the purpose of receiving the testimony of customers in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g). The Commission reserves the right to limit testimony at the public witness hearing pursuant to Commission Rule R1-21(g)(5).
- 4. That a hearing for the purpose of receiving expert witness testimony on the Joint Application is scheduled to begin at [INSERT TIME] on [INSERT DATE] and continue as necessary until conclusion. The hearing will be held in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina.
- 5. That the parties shall comply with the discovery guidelines established herein and shall work in a cooperative manner as to discovery.
- 6. That the Public Staff and intervenors, if any, shall file their testimony on or before [INSERT DATE], and the Joint Applicants shall file their rebuttal testimony, if any, on or before [INSERT DATE].
- 7. That on or before [INSERT DATE], any persons having an interest in this matter may file petitions to intervene in this proceeding pursuant to Commission Rules R1-5, R1-7, and R1-19.
- 8. That the Joint Applicants shall consult with all other parties and file, no later than [INSERT DATE], a list of witnesses to be called at the expert witness hearing, the order of witnesses, and each party's estimated time for cross-examination. If the parties cannot agree, the remaining parties shall, no later than [INSERT DATE], make a filing indicating their points of disagreement with the Joint Applicants' filing.
- 9. That an officer or representative of PSNC and EP Holdings are required to appear before the Commission at the time and place of the expert witness hearing to testify concerning any of the information contained in the Joint Application.
 - 10. That all parties filing supporting exhibits in Excel format shall provide the

Commission Staff electronic versions of the exhibits filed in native Excel format, including all of the supporting tabs and formulas, within three days of the filing of such exhibits; and that, the Joint Applicants, and all other parties filing exhibits and workpapers that include tables of numbers and calculations, shall provide the Public Staff and any other party upon request an electronic version of all such exhibits and workpapers, with formulas intact.

- 11. That all parties filing supporting exhibits in PDF format shall provide to the Commission Staff electronic versions of the exhibits filed in native Excel format via email at NCUCexhibits@ncuc.net, where applicable, including all of the supporting tabs and formulas, within three days of the filing of such exhibits; and that the Joint Applicants, and all other parties filing exhibits and workpapers that include tables of numbers and calculations, shall provide the Public Staff and any other party upon request an electronic version of all such exhibits and workpapers, with formulas intact.
- 12. That PSNC shall mail the attached notice to its customers, as a bill insert or by separate mail, in conjunction with its next billing cycles and shall file a certificate of service prior to the scheduled public witness hearing.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the ____ day of December, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. G-5, SUB 667

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Joint Application of Public Service Company of)
North Carolina, Inc. and Enbridge Parrot)
Holdings, LLC to Engage in a Business)
Combination Transaction)
NOTICE OF HEARING ON
JOINT APPLICATION TO
ENTER INTO BUSINESS
COMBINATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 20, 2023, Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc., d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (PSNC) and Enbridge Parrot Holdings, LLC (EP Holdings) (together, Joint Applicants) filed a joint application pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-111(a) and Commission Rule R1-5 for authorization to engage in a business combination transaction (the Transaction). The Joint Applicants request that the Commission authorize the sale by Dominion Energy of all of the membership interests of Fall North Carolina Holdco LLC (NC Holdco) to EP Holdings, a holding company and direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Enbridge Genoa U.S. Holdings, LLC (Genoa Holdings).² Subject to and following the Commission's approval of the Transaction and pursuant to the Agreement, EP Holdings will become the indirect parent of PSNC. PSNC will become an indirect subsidiary of Genoa Holdings, will no longer be an indirect subsidiary of Dominion Energy, and will operate under the tradename "Enbridge Gas North Carolina". On November 15, 2023, the Joint Applicants filed testimony in support of the joint application. The joint application and testimony are hereinafter collectively referred to as the Joint Application.

HEARING PROCEDURES:

The Commission has scheduled the following hearings on the Joint Application:

Public witness hearing. That the public witness hearing on the Joint Application shall be, and is hereby, scheduled to begin at [INSERT TIME] on [INSERT DATE], to be held remotely via Webex. This hearing will be held remotely to facilitate participation from the public. The public witness hearing will be conducted solely for the purpose of receiving the testimony of customers in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g).

The Commission reserves the right to limit testimony at the public witness hearing pursuant to Commission Rule R1-21(g)(5). The public witness hearing will begin at [INSERT TIME] and end at the earlier conclusion of the last witness' testimony or [INSERT TIME] p.m. A link to view the hearing will be available at www.ncuc.gov.

² On November 20, 2023, the Commission issued its Order Approving Corporate Reorganization authorizing the reorganization of PSNC's relationship with its corporate parents whereby PSNC will become a wholly-owned direct subsidiary of NC Holdco and will own all the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock in PSNC. NC Holdco is a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Dominion Energy.

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To register, please complete the electronic Remote Public Witness Registration form located on the Commission's website at www.ncuc.gov/hearings/remotepublicregister.html. A confirmation email will be sent to the email provided after the registration form is submitted.

Further instructions, including the call-in number, will be provided to you by email approximately one week before the hearing. Witnesses calling from a different number than provided at registration may experience delays or other difficulties in providing their testimony. If assistance is needed, please contact 919-733-0837.

Only individuals registered by 5:00 p.m. on [INSERT DATE], will be allowed to testify at the public witness hearing; this hearing will be canceled if no one registers to testify by 5:00 p.m. on [INSERT DATE].

Expert witness hearing beginning at [INSERT TIME] on [INSERT DATE] and continuing as necessary until conclusion. The hearing will be held in the Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. The hearing scheduled for [INSERT DATE], shall be conducted solely for the purpose of receiving testimony of the Applicants, the Public Staff, and any other parties of record.

Consumer statements may be submitted to the Commission via the web form at https://www.ncuc.gov/contactus.html. Consumer statements are not evidence unless those persons appear at a public witness hearing and testify concerning the information contained in their consumer statements.

The Public Staff is authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Consumer statements to the Public Staff should include the customer's name, contact information, and any information that the writer wishes to be considered by the Public Staff in its investigation of the matter, and such statements should be addressed to Mr. Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff, 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4326. Consumer statements may also be faxed to (919) 715-6704.

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

Persons desiring to intervene in this matter as formal parties of record should file a petition pursuant to North Carolina Utilities Commission Rules R1-5, R1-7, and R1-19, on or before [INSERT DATE]. Any such petition should be filed with the North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699- 4300.

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Information regarding this proceeding can also be accessed from the Commission's website at www.ncuc.gov under Docket Number "G-5 Sub 667."

This the [INSERT DATE].

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk

DOCKET NO. G-5, SUB 669

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Petition of Public Service Company of North)	
Carolina, Inc., for Authorization to Transfer the)	ORDER AUTHORIZING
Tax Rider Balance to the All Customers' Gas)	BALANCE TRANSFER
Deferred Account	

BY THE COMMISSION: On October 18, 2023, Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. (PSNC or Company), filed a petition in the present docket requesting authorization to transfer the balance in the Company's State Excess Deferred Income Taxes Rider (State EDIT Rider) deferred account to the Company's All Customers' Gas Deferred Account. The State EDIT Rider was originally approved by the North Carolina Utilities Commission (Commission) in its Order Approving Stipulation, Granting Rate Increase, and Requiring Customer Notice (Rate Case Order) on January 21, 2022, in Docket No. G-5, Subs 632 and 634. Ordering Paragraph No. 12 of the Rate Case Order states that PSNC's excess State EDIT income taxes, which have been recorded in a deferred tax regulatory liability account pursuant to Docket No. M-100, Sub 138 (May 13, 2014), shall be returned to PSNC's customers through the State EDIT Rider over a two-year period, beginning on the effective date of the rates approved in the Rate Case Order, which was November 1, 2021.

PSNC stated that as of September 30, 2023, a total of \$238,338 remained to be returned to PSNC's customers through the State EDIT Rider. PSNC stated that based on anticipated customer usage through October 31, 2023, it projected that approximately \$164,931 will remain in the account and that the account would likely be over-refunded if the State EDIT Rider were extended beyond the October 31, 2023, termination date.

The Public Staff presented this matter to the Commission at its December 18, 2023, Regular Staff Conference. The Public Staff stated it had reviewed the application and the Company's responses to the Public Staff's data request, and recommends approval as filed, subject to the Company's informational filing regarding the transfer to the All Customers' Deferred Account from the State EDIT Rider deferred account.

Based upon PSNC's petition and the recommendation of the Public Staff, the Commission finds good cause to grant authorization for PSNC to transfer the remaining balance in the Tax deferred account to the All Customers' Gas Deferred Account.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the ____ day of December, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk