

April 1, 2024

Ms. A. Shonta Dunston
Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission
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Raleigh, NC 27699-4300

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Re: In the Matter of Application by Carolina Power & Light Company, d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc., for Approval of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-69; Docket No. E-2, Sub 931

In the Matter of Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, for Approval of New Cost Recovery Mechanism and Portfolio of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Programs; Docket No. E-7, Sub 1032

In the Matter of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, 2022 Biennial Integrated Resource Plans and Carbon Plan; Docket No. E-100, Sub 179

Dear Ms. Dunston:


Walmart Inc. ("Walmart") provides this Letter in Lieu of Reply Comments in response to Initial Comments filed by parties on January 26, 2024, in the above-referenced matters.

As the Companies note in their Reply Comments filed earlier today, stakeholder discussions continued after Initial Comments were filed by the parties. Through those discussions, the parties further narrow and refined the scope of contested issues such that only two issues remain in dispute. Walmart appreciates the Companies' and the parties' continued efforts to engage on this issue.

Walmart has reviewed the changes to the Mechanism that are set forth as Exhibits A and B to the Companies' Reply Comments, and Walmart supports these proposed changes. Walmart appreciates the Commission's consideration of Walmart's perspective on this issue.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

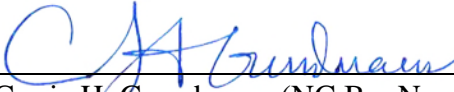

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I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Letter in Lieu of Reply Comments of Walmart Inc. has been served this day upon the parties of record in this proceeding by electronic mail.



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Dated: April 1, 2024