BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1073

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In the Matter of: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-69

PETITION TO INTERVENE

PURSUANT TO Commission Rule R1-19, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, through counsel, files this petition to intervene in the above-captioned docket, and provides the following information in support of its petition:

1. N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-133.9(d) authorizes the Commission to approve an annual rider to the rates of an electric public utility to recover all reasonable and prudent costs of new demand-side management ("DSM") and energy efficiency ("EE"), as well as incentives. On March 4, 2015, Duke Energy Carolinas ("DEC") filed an application for approval of its DSM and EE cost recovery and incentive rider for 2015 ("Rider7"). On March 16, 2015, DEC filed an amended application. The proposed Rider 7 consists of components calculated under DEC's "save-a-watt" cost recovery and incentive mechanism approved in Docket No. E-7, Sub 831, as well as under DEC's new cost recovery and incentive mechanism approved in Docket No. E-7, Sub 831, as well as under DEC's new cost recovery and incentive mechanism approved in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1032. Commission Rule R8-69(b) provides that each year, the Commission will conduct a proceeding for each electric utility to establish an annual DSM/EE rider.

2. Southern Alliance for Clean Energy ("SACE") is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote responsible energy choices that create global warming

solutions and ensure clean, safe and healthy communities throughout the Southeast. The principal address of SACE is: P.O. Box 1842, Knoxville, Tennessee 37901. SACE also has offices in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

3. SACE and its members have a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding. SACE has members who are customers of DEC, and therefore subject to the direct impacts of DEC's DSM/EE rider. SACE and its members are interested in promoting greater reliance on DSM and EE resources to meet North Carolina's energy needs.

4. SACE participated actively in and was a party to the stipulations of settlement reached in Docket Nos. E-7, Sub 831 and E-7, Sub 1032, and also participated actively in the past four annual DSM/EE rider proceedings, Docket Nos. E-7, Sub 979, E-7, Sub 1001, E-7, Sub 1031, and E-7, Sub 1050.

5. SACE seeks to intervene in this proceeding in order to ensure that its members' interests in promoting energy savings through cost-effective DSM and EE are represented. SACE is also interested in ensuring that Duke's DSM and EE programs are delivering results, and that the costs and incentives to be recovered via the rider are based on measured and verified energy savings.

6. The attorney for SACE to whom all correspondence and filings in this docket should be addressed are:

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Service by electronic mail pursuant to NCUC Rule R1-39 is acceptable and should be

addressed to gthompson@selcnc.org.

WHEREFORE, SACE requests that it be allowed to intervene in this docket.

Respectfully submitted this 18th day of May, 2015.

<u>s/ Gudrun Thompson</u> N.C. Bar No. 28829 Southern Environmental Law Center 601 West Rosemary Street, Suite 220 Chapel Hill, NC 27516 Telephone: (919) 967-1450 Fax: (919) 929-9421 gthompson@selcnc.org

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VERIFICATION

I, Gudrun Thompson, verify that the contents of the foregoing Petition to Intervene are true to the best of my knowledge, except as to those matters stated on information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to be true. I am authorized to sign this verification on behalf of Southern Alliance for Clean Energy.

Gudrun Thompson Date: Mary 18, 2015

Orange County, North Carolina

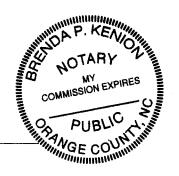
Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by Gudrun Thompson.

This the 18th day of May Bleed Q. Ken _, 2015

Signature

Brenda P. Kenion, Notary Public

My commission expires: 4-19-16



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the persons on the service list have been served with the foregoing Petition to Intervene either by electronic mail or by deposit in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid.

This the 18th day of May, 2015.

s/ Robin G. Dunn Robin G. Dunn