STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 546

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Application by Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina) ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.2 and Commission Rule) R8-55 Regarding Fuel and Fuel-Related Costs Adjustments for Electric Utilities

EXCUSE SOME WITNESSES) FROM ATTENDING HEARING

BY THE CHAIRMAN: The hearing in the above-captioned docket regarding approval of a cost recovery rider for the fuel and fuel-related costs of Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC) is scheduled for November 6, 2017. DENC's application included the testimony and exhibits of witnesses Bruce E. Petrie, James D. Merritt, Ronnie T. Campbell, Tom A. Brookmire, and Gregory A. Workman.

On October 23, 2017, the Public Staff filed the affidavit and exhibit of Sonja R. Johnson and the testimony and exhibit of Dustin R. Metz.

On October 30, 2017, DENC filed the rebuttal testimony of Brandford L. Stanley, John Rosenberg, Julius A. Wright, and Bruce E. Petrie.

On November 2, 2017, DENC and the Public Staff (Movants) filed a joint motion requesting that the Commission excuse the following DENC witnesses from attending the expert witness hearing on November 6, 2017: Brookmire, Campbell, Merritt, and Workman. In addition, the Public Staff requests that affiant Johnson be excused. Movants and the other parties herein, Nucor Steel – Hertford and Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates I, have agreed to waive cross-examination of the foregoing witnesses and to consent to the introduction of their testimony and exhibits into the record.

Based on the foregoing and the record herein, the Chairman finds good cause to excuse the following witnesses from attending the expert witness hearing on November 6, 2017, and to receive their testimony and exhibits into evidence at the hearing: James D. Merritt, Ronnie T. Campbell, Tom A. Brookmire, Gregory A. Workman, and Sonja R. Johnson.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the <u>3rd</u> day of November, 2017.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Paige & morvis Paige J. Morris, Deputy Clerk