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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk
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**RE: Duke Energy Progress, LLC and the Public Staff's Joint Motion to
Excuse Witnesses from Evidentiary Hearing
Docket No. E-2, Sub 1323**

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Enclosed for filing is Duke Energy Progress, LLC and the Public Staff's Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses from Appearance at Hearing, for filing in connection with the above-referenced matter.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ladawn S. Toon".

Ladawn S. Toon

Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record

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**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1323

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)	
)	
Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC)	DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS,
Pursuant to G.S. 62-110.8 and Commission)	LLC AND THE PUBLIC
Rule R8-71 Relating to CPRE Compliance)	STAFF’S JOINT MOTION TO
Report and CPRE Cost Recovery Rider)	EXCUSE WITNESSES FROM
)	APPEARANCE AT HEARING
)	

NOW COME Duke Energy Progress, LLC (“DEP” or “Company”) and Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Public Staff”) and request that the North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Commission”) issue an order excusing witnesses from testifying at the September 19, 2023 Evidentiary Hearing in the above-captioned matter. In support of this motion, DEP and the Public Staff show the following:

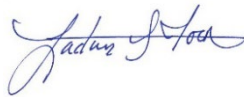
1. On June 13, 2023, DEP pre-filed the testimony and exhibits of witnesses Christy J. Walker and Angela M. Tabor along with the 2022 CPRE Compliance Report in this docket.
2. On June 30, 2023, the Commission issued its *Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Filing of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Public Notice*, setting the date and time for an Evidentiary Hearing in this docket to begin on September 19, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina immediately following the hearings in Docket Nos. E-2, Subs 1320, 1321 and 1322.

3. On August 29, 2023, the Public Staff filed Notice of Affidavit and Affidavit of Darrus K. Cofield, Public Utilities Regulatory Analyst, Accounting Division and Jeff T. Thomas, Engineer, Electric Section – Operations and Planning, Energy Division.

4. Counsel for DEP and the Public Staff have consulted with counsel for all parties to this docket, and all parties agree to waive cross-examination of the Company witnesses Walker and Tabor and the Public Staff witnesses Cofield and Thomas and do not object to the introduction of their testimony, exhibits, and affidavits into the record.

Accordingly, DEP and the Public Staff request that Christy J. Walker, Angela M. Tabor, Darrus K. Cofield, and Jeff T. Thomas be excused from appearing at the September 19, 2023 hearing in this docket and that the testimony, exhibits, and affidavits of the respective witnesses be received into the record.

Respectfully submitted this the 11th day of September, 2023.



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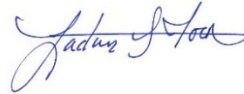
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Progress, LLC and Public Staff's Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses from Appearance at Evidentiary Hearing, in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1323, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid to parties of record.

This the 11th day of September, 2023.



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