STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1297

In the Matter of		
Application of Duke Energy Carolinas,)	
LLC for a Certificate of Public)	
Convenience and Necessity to)	
Construct an 850 MW Natural Gas-)	CUCA'S PETITION TO INTERVENE
Fired Combustion Turbine Electric)	
Generating Facility in Catawba County,)	
North Carolina)	

Pursuant to North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Commission") R1-19, Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc. ("Petitioner" or "CUCA"), by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby respectfully petitions to intervene in the above-captioned dockets. In support of the petition, Petitioner provides the following information:

- 1. CUCA is a corporation duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the State of North Carolina, with its principal office located at 8386 Six Forks Road, Suite 103, Raleigh, NC 27615.
 - 2. The name and address of its principal officer are:

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3. CUCA's attorneys, to whom all communications and pleadings should be addressed, are shown below.

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- 4. CUCA is an organization of industrial utility customers whose member companies maintain numerous industrial manufacturing facilities and employ thousands of workers throughout the State of North Carolina, including the territory in which Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC") has been authorized by the Commission to sell electricity at retail.
- 5. CUCA's member companies use electricity sold by DEC in the operation of their manufacturing plants. The availability of an adequate supply of electricity at a reasonable price is critical to the economic viability of CUCA's member companies.
- 6. The issues raised in the above-captioned docket will affect the rates and availability of electricity to CUCA members. As ratepayers and purchasers of electric power from DEC, CUCA has a vital interest in the matters at issue in the above-captioned proceedings and should be permitted to intervene and participate.
- 7. No other party is capable of adequately representing CUCA's interests in these proceedings.
- 8. Pursuant to Commission Rule R1-39, CUCA agrees to accept electronic service of all filings in these proceedings.

WHEREFORE, CUCA respectfully requests that the Commission enter an order allowing CUCA to intervene and fully participate in the above-captioned proceedings,

including the right to discovery, and to otherwise exercise all statutory rights provided to Intervenors under North Carolina law.

Respectfully submitted, this 17th day of April, 2024.

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VERIFICATION

Kevin N. Martin, first being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Executive Director of Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc.; that he has read the foregoing Petition to Intervene and that the same is true of his personal knowledge, expect as to any matters and thing therein stated on information and belief, and as to those, he believes them to be true; and that he is authorized to sign this verification on behalf of Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc..

This the $\sqrt{2}$ day of $\sqrt{2}$, 2024.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

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Notary Public
Commission Expires: 16 Merch 2019

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing *Petition to Intervene* has been served this day upon the parties of record in these proceedings by electronic mail.

This the 17th day of April, 2024.

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/s/ Christopher B. Dodd