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#### VIA Electronic Filing

Ms. A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission **Dobbs Building** 430 North Salisbury Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

> Re: Supplemental Direct Testimony and Exhibit of Glory J. Creel

Docket No. G-5. Sub 642

Dear Ms. Dunston:

In response to the North Carolina Utilities Commission Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Filing of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines and Requiring Public Notice issued on June 8, 2022, Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc., d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina, hereby files in the above-referenced docket the Supplemental Direct Testimony and Exhibit of Glory J. Creel.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions regarding this filing, you may reach me at the number shown above.

> Sincerely, /s/Mary Lynne Grigg

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**Enclosures** 

### **BEFORE THE**

### NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

## PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NORTH CAROLINA, INCORPORATED DOCKET NO. G-5, SUB 642

SUPPLEMENTAL DIRECT TESTIMONY

**OF** 

**GLORY J. CREEL** 

June 17, 2022

- 1 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, BUSINESS ADDRESS, BY WHOM YOU
- 2 ARE EMPLOYED AND IN WHAT CAPACITY.
- 3 A. My name is Glory J. Creel. My business address is 800 Gaston Road, Gastonia,
- North Carolina. I am employed by Dominion Energy Services, Inc. as Rates 4
- 5 and Regulatory Affairs Analyst III for Public Service Company of North
- 6 Carolina, Incorporated, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina ("the
- Company"). 7
- 8 HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY FILED TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING? Q.
- 9 Yes, I pre-filed direct testimony in this proceeding on June 1, 2022. A.
- 10 WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR SUPPLEMENTAL DIRECT Q.
- 11 **TESTIMONY?**
- 12 The purpose of my supplemental direct testimony is to provide additional A.
- 13 information that will enable the Commission and Public Staff to review the
- 14 interest rate presently being applied to the Company's deferred accounts and to
- 15 determine whether a change is warranted, as required by the Commission's
- 16 Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Filing of Testimony, Establishing
- 17 Discovery Guidelines and Requiring Public Notice issued in this docket on
- June 8, 2022. 18
- 19 Q. WHAT IS THE INTEREST RATE PRESENTLY BEING APPLIED TO THE
- 20 COMPANY'S DEFERRED ACCOUNTS?
- 21 A. In the Company's last general rate case, Docket No. G-5, Sub 632, the
- 22 Commission approved in Finding of Fact No. 33 of its Order dated January 21,

- 1 2022, the Company's use of "a net of tax interest rate of 6.57% for all deferred
- 2 accounts, adjusted as appropriate for income taxes."
- 3 Q. DID THE COMPANY REVIEW THE DEFERRED ACCOUNT INTEREST
- 4 RATE AS PART OF THIS PROCEEDING?
- 5 A. Yes. The Company reviewed the 6.57% annual interest rate approved in Docket
- No. G-5, Sub 632, and determined that no adjustment is necessary at this time.
- 7 Creel Supplemental Direct Exhibit 1 attached hereto sets forth the calculation
- 8 of the 6.57% annual interest rate at Schedule 1. This rate was applicable to
- 9 deferred account interest starting in January 2022 when approved by the
- 10 Commission in the Company's general rate case. As provided in the applicable
- riders of the Company's tariff, the Company will continue to review the interest
- rate calculation annually and make adjustments as necessary.
- 13 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR SUPPLEMENTAL TESTIMONY?
- 14 A. Yes, it does.

# Public Service Company of North Carolina, Incorporated Docket No. G-5, Sub 642 Creel Supplemental Direct Exhibit 1 2022 Deferred Account Interest Rate Schedule 1

|                         | Capital   |       | Overall | Pre-tax | Net of Tax |
|-------------------------|-----------|-------|---------|---------|------------|
| Item                    | Structure | Cost  | Return  | Return  | Return     |
| Long Term Debt          | 47.06%    | 4.48% | 2.110%  | 2.110%  |            |
| Short Term Debt         | 1.34%     | 0.25% | 0.000%  | 0.000%  |            |
| Common Equity           | 51.60%    | 9.60% | 4.950%  | 6.427%  |            |
| Total                   | 100.00%   | _     | 7.060%  | 8.537%  | _          |
|                         |           | =     |         |         | =          |
| State Income Tax Rate   | 2.50%     |       |         |         |            |
| Federal Income Tax Rate | 21.00%    |       |         |         |            |
| Composite               | 22.98%    |       |         |         |            |
|                         |           |       |         |         |            |
| Net of Tax Factor       | 77.02%    |       |         |         | 6.575% [1] |
|                         |           |       |         |         |            |
| Monthly Interest Rate   |           |       |         |         | 0.548%     |
|                         |           |       |         |         |            |

<sup>[1]</sup> Finding of Fact No. 33, Docket No. G-5, Sub 632, Final Order dated 1/21/2022

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing <u>Supplemental Direct Testimony and Exhibit of Glory J. Creel</u>, as filed in Docket No. G-5, Sub 642, were served electronically or via U.S. mail, first-class, postage prepaid, upon all parties of record.

This, the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022.

/s/Mary Lynne Grigg

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