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Clerk's Office N.C. Utilities Commission

July 11, 2008

Ms. Renee Vance, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission Dobbs Building, Fifth Floor 430 North Salisbury Street Raleigh, NC 27602

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Re:

Docket No. E-7, Sub 856; Duke Energy Application for Approval of A Solar Photovoltaic Distributed Generation Program and Cost Recovery

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Dear Ms. Vance:

We enclose for filing in the above-referenced matter, on behalf of Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc. ("CUCA"), an original and 37 copies of CUCA's Petition to Intervene. Kindly date-stamp and return to us via our courier the seven additional enclosed copies. Please let me know, at your early convenience, if you have any questions concerning this filing.

Very truly yours,

CRISP, PAGE & CURRIN, L.L.P.

Enclosures

cc:

Ms. Sharon Miller All Parties

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BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSEN LED

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 856

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Application of Duke Energy Carolinas,)
L.L.C. for Approval of a Solar Voltaic)
Distributed Generation Program and for)
Approval of the Proposed Method of)
Recovery of Associated Costs)

Petition of Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc. to Intervene

OFFICIAL COPY

Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc. ("CUCA"), by and through its undersigned counsel, files this Petition pursuant to G.S. 62-72 and Rule R1-19 of the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Commission") that CUCA be permitted to intervene and participate in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of this petition, CUCA states as follows:

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 Suite 210, Trawick Professional Center, 1708 Trawick Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27604. The names and addresses of its principal officers are:

Chair: H. Gary Faw

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The Timken Company 1835 Dueber Avenue, SW Canton, Ohio 47706-2798

Executive Director: Sharon C. Miller

Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc. Suite 210, Trawick Professional Center

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2. CUCA's attorney, to whom all communications and pleadings should be addressed is:

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CUCA will accept electronic service of all pleadings and other documents at the above listed email address for its counsel.

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, L.L.C. ("Duke") has been authorized by the Commission to sell electricity at retail.

4. CUCA's member companies use electricity sold by Duke 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. Duke's proposal in this Docket

will increase the rates associated with the Duke's sale of electricity to CUCA members. As a

result, CUCA has a vital interest in the matters at issue in the above-captioned proceeding and

should be permitted to intervene and participate.

WHEREFORE, CUCA respectfully requests that the Commission enter an order allowing

CUCA to intervene and fully participate in the above-captioned proceeding, including the right to

discovery, and to otherwise exercise all statutory rights provided to intervenors under North

Carolina law.

This the 11th day of July, 2008.

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COUNTY OF WAKE

Sharon C. Miller, being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is the Executive Director of Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc., the intervenor herein; that she has read the foregoing Petition of Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc., to Intervene, and knows the contents thereof, and that the same is true of her own knowledge, except as to those matters therein stated upon information and belief, and as to those, she believes them to be true; and that she consents that this verified petition be used as an affidavit.

This the 7th day of July, 2008.

SHARON C. MILLER

SWORN to and subscribed before me, this the Thy day of July, 2008.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: <u>3-33-2011</u>

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned counsel for CUCA, do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Petition to Intervene was served upon all parties of record in this proceeding, or their legal counsel, by hand delivery or by depositing a copy of same in the United States Postal Service, first class postage prepaid, and addressed to them as indicated on the Service List below.

This the 11th day of July, 2008.

Robert F. Page

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