## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

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## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Application of Duke Energy Corporation and Piedmont Natural Gas, Inc., to Engage in a Business Combination Transaction and Address Regulatory Conditions and Code of Conduct

ORDER ALLOWING TESTIMONY IN RESPONSE TO ADDITIONAL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

BY THE CHAIRMAN: On January 15, 2016, Duke Energy Corporation (Duke) and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (Piedmont) (collectively, Applicants) filed an application in the above-captioned dockets for authorization to engage in a business combination transaction, and to revise and apply Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's and Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Regulatory Conditions and Code of Conduct to Piedmont.

On June 17, 2016, the Commission issued an Order allowing the parties to file testimony on or before June 27, 2016, addressing two settlement agreements, one between the Applicants and the Public Staff, and one between the Applicants and Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc. (CUCA). In addition, the Order allows the Applicants, the Public Staff and CUCA to file testimony in response to the parties' settlement agreement testimony on or before July 1, 2016.

On June 21, 2016, the Applicants and Environmental Defense Fund (EDF) filed a Settlement Agreement (EDF settlement).

Based on the foregoing and the record, the Chairman finds good cause to allow the parties to file testimony addressing the EDF settlement on or before June 27, 2016, and to allow the Applicants and EDF to file testimony in response to the parties' EDF settlement testimony on or before July 1, 2016.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the  $\underline{23^{rd}}$  day of June, 2016.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk