STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1204

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC,)	
Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.2 and)	ORDER REQUIRING
Commission Rule R8-55 Regarding Fuel and)	SECOND PUBLIC NOTICE
Fuel-Related Cost Adjustments for)	
Flectric Utilities	,	

BY THE CHAIR: On June 12, 2019, Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP) filed an application for recovery of its fuel and fuel-related costs in the above-captioned docket, pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55.

On June 20, 2019, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Filing of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Public Notice (Scheduling Order). The Scheduling Order, among other things, scheduled a public hearing in this matter for Monday, September 9, 2019, in Raleigh, North Carolina. In addition, pursuant to Commission Rule R8-55, DEP was required to publish notice of the hearing date, time, and the proposed change in fuel rates.

By its application DEP requested a total annual revenue decrease effective December 1, 2019, from the fuel rates currently in effect. The application further stated the specific per kilowatt-hour (kWh) amounts by which the rates of residential and non-residential customers would be decreased. In addition, the specific rate changes were included in a Public Notice published in newspapers by DEP.

On August 15, 2019, DEP filed additional testimony and exhibits in this docket. In its additional testimony, DEP stated that based on an update of its fuel costs through June 30, 2019, DEP requests an increase in the residential and non-residential fuel rates initially included in DEP's application.

On August 23, 2019, DEP filed a request to publish a Second Public Notice in order to inform ratepayers of the change in fuel rates proposed by DEP in its supplemental testimony and exhibits filed on August 15, 2019.

Based on the foregoing and the record herein, the Chair finds good cause to require that DEP publish the Second Public Notice attached hereto as Appendix A providing notice to ratepayers of the revised fuel rates proposed by DEP on August 15, 2019.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That DEP shall publish the Second Public Notice attached hereto as Appendix A in a newspaper or newspapers having general circulation in its service area on two dates prior to the hearing, with the first publication date being as soon after the date of this Order as reasonably practicable, and the second publication date being a few days after the first, if possible.
- 2. That DEP shall file affidavits of publication on or before the date of the hearing.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 26th day of August, 2019.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled a public hearing on an annual fuel and fuel-related charge adjustment proceeding for Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP). The public hearing has been scheduled to begin Monday, September 9, 2019, at 2:00 p.m., in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. The proceeding is being held pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. § 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55 for the purpose of determining whether an increment or decrement rider is required in order to reflect changes in the cost of fuel and fuel-related costs over or under the base fuel rate established for DEP in its last general rate case. Public witness testimony will be received in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g).

Duke Energy Progress filed an application and testimony relative to its proposed change in fuel and fuel-related (fuel) rates on June 12, 2019. As originally proposed by DEP, the change in fuel rates would result in a decrease of the present fuel rates of all customer classes, with the amount of the decrease varying for different customer classes.

Through supplemental testimony and exhibits filed on August 15, 2019, after DEP had published notice of the original proposed fuel rate changes, DEP revised its proposed fuel charges. The revisions, if approved by the Commission, would result in fuel charges higher than the fuel charges stated in the first public notice published by DEP, but would still be a decrease in fuel charges for all customer classes, with the amount of the decrease varying for different customer classes. In the case of the monthly bill of a residential customer using 1,000 kWh of electricity, DEP's revised rates would result in a decrease of \$1.48 in the customer's bill, excluding the regulatory fee. The proposed changes in all customer class fuel rates would be effective for service rendered on and after December 1, 2019.

Further information may be obtained from the Office of the Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina, where a copy of DEP's application is available for review by the public. Also, documents may be viewed on the Commission's website at www.ncuc.net.

The Public Staff is authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Correspondence concerning this proceeding should be directed to the Public Staff. Written statements to the Public Staff should include any information that the writers wish to be considered by the Public Staff in its investigation of the matter. Such statements should be addressed to Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff, 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4326.

The Attorney General is also authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Statements to the Attorney General should be addressed to The Honorable Josh Stein, Attorney General, 9001 Mail Service Center, c/o Consumer Protection – Utilities, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-9001.

Written statements are not evidence unless the writers appear at a public hearing and testify concerning the information contained in their written statements.

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