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Ms. M. Lynn Jarvis, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission Dobb Building 430 North Salisbury Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

2017 Integrated Resource Plan of Virginia Electric and Power Company <u>Docket No. E-100, Sub 147</u>

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

On May 1, 2017, Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (the "Company"), filed its Integrated Resource Plan update ("2017 IRP update") with the North Carolina Utilities Commission (the "Commission") in the above-captioned proceeding.

On October 31, 2017, the Public Staff-North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Public Staff") submitted its report notifying the Commission that the Company's 2017 IRP update report meets the requirement of subsection (h)(2) of the IRP rule.

On November 21, 2017, the Commission issued an order requiring the Company to publish a Notice of Public Hearing ("Notice") for two consecutive weeks in newspapers within its North Carolina service territory. Per the Order, publication was to begin with the week of December 11, 2017, and the Company was subsequently required to file a proof of publication with the Commission no later than the February 5, 2018 public hearing date.

Due to inadvertent oversight, the Notice was not timely published as directed, and the Company is not capable of publishing the Notice in newspapers in the service territory prior to the public hearing. To remedy this deficiency to the best of its ability, Dominion Energy North Carolina has immediately taken two steps. First, the Company has reviewed all consumer statements of position filed in this proceeding since the Company's 2017 IRP Update was filed with the intent of personally contacting any Dominion Energy North Carolina customers who filed such position statements to verbally inform them of the public hearing date. To date, no Dominion Energy North Carolina customers have filed consumer statements of position on the 2017 IRP update. The Company has also prominently posted

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the Notice on its Dominion Energy North Carolina webpage as of this afternoon in order to inform customers of the public hearing. The notice can be accessed from the Dominion Energy North Carolina homepage at the following web link: https://www.dominionenergy.com/.

The Company sincerely apologizes for this administrative oversight, and counsel for the Company will be prepared to provide additional information and answer the Commission's questions at the public hearing.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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