

August 2, 2023

**VIA Electronic Filing**

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

Re: *Annual Review of Gas Costs*  
*Docket No. G-5, Sub 661*

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Enclosed for filing with the North Carolina Utilities Commission in the above-referenced proceeding on behalf of Public Service Company, Inc., d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina, and the Public Staff—North Carolina Utilities Commission, please find the *Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses*.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kristin M. Athens

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Enclosure

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

**DOCKET NO. G-5, SUB 661**

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of:	)	
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In the Matter of Application of Public	)	
Service Company of North Carolina,	)	<b>JOINT MOTION TO EXCUSE</b>
Inc. for Annual Review of Gas Costs	)	<b>WITNESSES</b>
Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-	)	
133.4(c) and Commission Rule R1-	)	
17(k)(6)	)	

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NOW COMES Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (“PSNC” or “Company”) and the Public Staff — North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Public Staff”), (collectively, the “Joint Movants”) by and through counsel and pursuant to Rule R1-7 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Commission”), and hereby move the Commission to issue an order in the above-captioned docket excusing the Company’s and the Public Staff’s witnesses from appearing at the evidentiary hearing scheduled in this proceeding..

In support of this Motion, Joint Movants show the following:

1. On June 1, 2023, PSNC filed the Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Glory J. Creel and Rose M. Jackson.
2. By Order dated June 6, 2023, the Commission scheduled an in person evidentiary hearing for the purpose of conducting the annual review of PSNC’s gas costs, to review witness testimony and evidence presented by the Company, the Public Staff, and other intervenors, in Raleigh on Tuesday, August 8, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in Commission Hearing Room 2115.

3. On June 16, 2023, PSNC filed the Supplemental Direct Testimony of Rose M. Jackson.

4. On July 7, 2023, PSNC filed Jackson Revised Direct Exhibit 2.

5. On July 24, 2023 Public Staff filed a Motion for Extension of Time to file direct testimony and exhibits.

6. Also on July 24, 2023, PSNC filed the Second Supplemental Direct Testimony of Rose M. Jackson.

7. On July 25, 2023, the Commission issued an Order Granting Extension of Time to File Direct Testimony.

8. Also on July 25, 2023, the Public Staff filed the Testimony of Kuei Fen Sun and the Testimony of Blaise C. Michna.

9. On July 31, 2023, PSNC filed its Affidavit of Publication.

10. Based upon its review of the Public Staff's testimony, there are no matters in dispute between PSNC and the Public Staff in this proceeding, and the Joint Movants have no cross-examination questions for each other's witnesses.

11. No other parties have intervened in this proceeding.

12. Joint Movants therefore request that PSNC witnesses Glory J. Creel and Rose M. Jackson, and Public Staff witnesses Kuei Fen Sun and Blaise C. Michna be excused from appearing at the evidentiary hearing, unless the Commission has questions for these witnesses.

13. Joint Movants further request that the pre-filed testimonies and exhibits of PSNC's witnesses and the Public Staff's witnesses be received into evidence and made part of the record in this matter.

WHEREFORE, PSNC and the Public Staff respectfully move the Commission to:  
(1) excuse PSNC witnesses Glory J. Creel and Rose M. Jackson, and Public Staff witnesses Kuei Fen Sun and Blaise C. Michna from appearing at the evidentiary hearing, unless the Commission has questions for any of these witnesses; (2) receive into evidence the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of the aforementioned witnesses; and (3) grant such other and further relief as the Commission deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted this 2nd day of August, 2023.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing *Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses*, as filed in Docket No. G-5, Sub 661, was served electronically or via U.S. mail, first-class, postage prepaid, upon all parties of record.

This, the 2nd day of August, 2023.

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