

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-34, SUB 46

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Application of Appalachian State University,)
d/b/a New River Light and Power Company) ORDER GRANTING
for an Adjustment of Rates and Charges for) EXTENSION OF TIME
Electric Service in North Carolina)

BY THE CHAIRMAN: On July 28, 2017, Appalachian State University, d/b/a New River Light and Power Company (NRLP) filed an application with the Commission pursuant to G.S. 62-133 and 62-134, and Commission Rules R1-5, R1-17, and R8-27, seeking authority to increase its rates for electric service in its service area in Watauga County, North Carolina.

On August 28, 2017, the Commission issued an Order establishing this proceeding as a general rate case, suspending the effect of the proposed rates pending the Commission's investigation, scheduling hearings, and requiring NRLP to provide public notice of its pending application. That Order set December 15, 2017, as the deadline for the Public Staff to file its direct testimony and exhibits and January 2, 2018, as the deadline for NRLP to file rebuttal testimony and exhibits, if any.

On December 13, 2017, the Public Staff filed a motion for extension of time, requesting that the Commission extend the December 15 deadline to December 20, and extend the January 2 deadline to January 5. In support of its request, the Public Staff states that it is authorized to state that NRLP does not object to its motion.

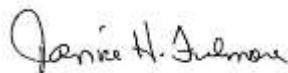
Based upon the foregoing, the Chairman finds that good cause exists to grant the Public Staff's requested extensions.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 13th day of December, 2017.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk