

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1142  
DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1146

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of	)	
Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC,	)	
for Adjustment of Rates and Charges	)	
Applicable to Electric Utility Service in	)	
North Carolina	)	ORDER REQUESTING
	)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1146	)	
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In the Matter of	)	
Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC,	)	
for Adjustment of Rates and Charges	)	
Applicable to Electric Utility Service in	)	
North Carolina	)	

BY THE CHAIRMAN: In response to questions raised by Commissioner James G. Patterson during the hearing in Docket No E-2, Sub 1142, Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP) filed Late-Filed Exhibit No. 6 and the Supplement to Late-Filed Exhibit No. 6 (collectively known as the Late-Filed Exhibits) on January 4, 2018 and January 23, 2018, respectively. These Late-Filed Exhibits provided the Commission with a comprehensive and detailed analysis of the direct benefits to the State of North Carolina of the dollars spent by DEP in compliance with the federal Coal Combustion Rule (CCR) and North Carolina's Coal Ash Management Act (CAMA) and the share and/or amounts of those dollars paid to minority businesses and contractors that assisted DEP in meeting its obligations pursuant to those requirements. The Late-Filed Exhibits also indicated that DEP has a long history of supporting diversity within the Company and with diverse and local suppliers and that its Supplier Engagement and Diversity team is actively engaged at the local and national levels while promoting Corporate Responsibility.

On February 16, 2018, the Commission issued the Order Accepting Stipulations, Deciding Contested Issues and Granting Partial Rate Increase in Docket E-2, Sub 1142.

On April 3, 2018, in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1146, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC) at the request of the Commission, filed a letter indicating that it was filing DEC's Confidential Strategic Projects Sourcing-Ash Basin Sourcing Group Request for Proposal Process Guide (Ash Basin Sourcing Group RFP Process) confidentially and under seal. The letter further indicated that the Ash Basin Sourcing Group RFP Process provides a high level summary of the competitive bidding event from inception to contract closeout in support of

the Coal Combustion Product's organization work activity; that Duke Energy conducts bid evaluations based upon three broad categories: Commercial, Technical, and Corporate Responsibility; and that Corporate Responsibility is a core company value which enhances the communities the Company serves with inclusive business practices and environmental stewardship. Finally, the letter notes that corporate responsibility focuses on local suppliers, diverse suppliers and environmental stewardship and that, effective as of December, 2017, on a company-wide basis, corporate responsibility bid evaluation weight would be doubled from 10 percent to 20 percent. While the April 3, 2018 letter also specifically referenced and discussed the Late-Filed Exhibits in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1142, it did not provide either in its text or as an attachment thereto, any comprehensive and/or detailed analysis of the direct benefits to the State of North Carolina of the dollars spent by DEC in compliance with the federal CCR Rule and North Carolina's CAMA; nor did it provide the share and/or amounts of dollars paid to minority businesses and contractors that assisted DEC in meeting its obligations pursuant to those requirements.

On June 22, 2018, the Commission issued the Order Accepting Stipulation, Deciding Contested Issues and Requiring Revenue Reductions in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1146. Amongst the myriad finding and conclusions included in said Order, the Commission stated that: "The Commission encourages the selection of minority and women-owned businesses, where appropriate, when contracting for future services associated with compliance with CAMA and the CCR Rule." Order Accepting Stipulation, Deciding Contested Issues and Requiring Revenue Reductions, p. 312.

Based on the foregoing and the record proper, the Chairman finds that good cause exists to request that DEP and DEC make a filing with the Commission on or before January 31, 2019 and annually thereafter which provides the Commission with a comprehensive and detailed analysis of the direct benefits to the State of North Carolina of the dollars spent by each company in compliance with the federal Coal Combustion Rule (CCR) and North Carolina's Coal Ash Management Act (CAMA) and the share and/or amounts of dollars paid to minority businesses and contractors that assisted DEP and DEC in meeting their obligations pursuant to those requirements. The aforementioned information is to be submitted in the format provided in the Late-Filed Exhibits.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Janice H. Fulmore", is written over a faint, circular official stamp.

Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk