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Ms. A. Shonta Dunston  
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Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

**RE: Joint Motion for Witnesses to be Excused from Evidentiary Hearing  
Docket No. E-2, Sub 1294**

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission is the Joint Motion of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission, the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, the North Carolina Justice Center, and the North Carolina Housing Coalition for Witnesses to be Excused from Appearance at Evidentiary Hearing in the referenced matter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kendrick C. Fentress

Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1294

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of: )  
)  
Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC )  
for Approval of Demand-Side Management )  
and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider )  
Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. 62-133.9 and )  
Commission Rule R8-69 )

**JOINT MOTION FOR  
WITNESSES TO BE EXCUSED  
FROM APPEARANCE AT  
EVIDENTIARY HEARING**

NOW COME Duke Energy Progress, LLC (“DEP” or the “Company”), the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Public Staff”), the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy (“SACE”), the North Carolina Justice Center (“NCJC”), and the North Carolina Housing Coalition (“NCHC”) (collectively, the “Movants”), and jointly request that the North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Commission”) issue an order excusing the appearance of witnesses at the September 14, 2022 Evidentiary Hearing and allowing the introduction of the prefiled testimony and exhibits of the excused witnesses into the record in this matter. In support of this joint motion, the Movants show as follows:

1. On June 14, 2022, DEP filed direct testimony and exhibits of Shannon R. Listebarger and Karen K. Holbrook in support of the Company’s application in this docket.
2. On August 23, 2022, DEP filed the supplemental testimony and revised exhibit of witness Listebarger.
3. On August 24, 2022, the Public Staff filed the testimony and exhibits of Michelle M. Boswell and David M. Williamson, and SACE, NCJC, and NCHC filed the testimony and exhibits of Forest Bradley-Wright.

4. On September 1, 2022, DEP filed the rebuttal testimony of witnesses Holbrook and Lynda Powers.

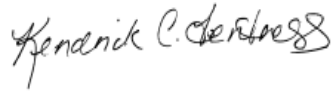
5. On behalf of the Movants, counsel for DEP has consulted with counsel for all parties to this docket, including the Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates II and all parties agree to waive cross-examination of all witnesses, and offer no objection to the introduction of the testimony and exhibits of those excused witnesses into the record. All the parties have made this agreement subject to each party's right to ask questions on any Commission questions of any witness, if the Commission determines that it would like to hear from one or more of the witnesses.

6. Counsel for SACE, NCJC, and NCHC has advised that he will make Witness Bradley-Wright available in person for any Commission questions at the September 14, 2022 evidentiary hearing. Thus, DEP respectfully reserves the right to call witnesses in rebuttal if any Commission question to Witness Bradley-Wright necessitates rebuttal from the Company. No party objected to the DEP's proposed reservation of the right to call a rebuttal witness if necessary to rebut any in-person testimony by Witness Bradley-Wright.

WHEREFORE, DEP, the Public Staff, SACE, NCJC, and NCHC respectfully request that all witnesses, other than SACE, NCJC, and NCHC Witness Bradley-Wright, be excused from appearing at the September 14, 2022 hearing in this docket and that the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of those witnesses be received into evidence and made part of the record in this matter. Witness Bradley-Wright will be available at the September 14, 2022 evidentiary hearing for any Commission questions. The Public

Staff, SACE, NCJC, and NCHC have authorized the undersigned to file this Joint Motion on their behalf.

Respectfully submitted, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.



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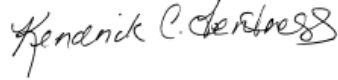
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of the Joint Motion of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, the Public Staff, SACE, NCHC and NCJC for Witnesses to be Excused from Appearance at Evidentiary Hearing, in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1294, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid to parties of record.

This the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.



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