

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 643

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application by Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina, for Approval of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard Cost Recovery Rider Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-133.8 and Commission Rule R8-67)
ORDER EXCUSING WITNESSES, ACCEPTING TESTIMONY, CANCELING EXPERT WITNESS HEARING, AND REQUIRING PROPOSED ORDERS)

BY THE COMMISSION: On August 9, 2022, Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC), filed its 2022 Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard (REPS) Compliance Report and application for approval of REPS cost recovery pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-133.8 and Commission Rule R8-67.

On September 16, 2022, the Commission issued a Scheduling Order in the above-captioned docket that, among other things, scheduled a public hearing to be held on Wednesday, November 9, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

Expert witness testimony was filed in this docket by DENC and the Public Staff. Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates I (CIGFUR I) was the sole intervenor in this docket and did not file testimony or exhibits.

On November 1, 2022, DENC and the Public Staff (Movants) filed a joint motion requesting that the Commission excuse the witnesses for DENC and the Public Staff from appearing at the November 9 hearing; receive into evidence and make a part of the record the prefiled testimony, exhibits, and affidavits of the respective witnesses; and cancel the expert witness hearing. Movants state that they are in agreement regarding DENC's REPS compliance and related costs, have reached agreement on all issues for purposes of this proceeding, and agree to waive cross-examination of the other party's witnesses. Movants note that counsel for CIGFUR I has agreed to waive cross-examination of DENC's and the Public Staff's witnesses and does not object to the motion.

Based on Movants' motion and the record, the Commission finds good cause to excuse all DENC and Public Staff witnesses from testifying at the expert witness hearing and to receive the witnesses' prefiled testimony, exhibits, and affidavits into the record. Further, the Commission finds good cause to cancel the expert witness hearing and to

require that the parties file proposed orders, or a joint proposed order, on or before December 8, 2022, and briefs by the same date, if they desire to file briefs.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 4th day of November, 2022.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Erica N. Green". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "E".

Erica N. Green, Deputy Clerk