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Ms. M. Lynn Jarvis, Chief Clerk  
North Carolina Utilities Commission  
Dobbs Building  
430 North Salisbury Street  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Re: Docket No. E-22, Sub 546

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Dominion Energy North Carolina, please find its Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses in the above-referenced proceeding.

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

Very truly yours,

/s/Mary Lynne Grigg

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Enclosure

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 546

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of  
Application of Virginia Electric and Power     )  
Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North     )   JOINT MOTION TO  
Carolina Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.2 and     )   EXCUSE WITNESSES  
Commission Rule R8-55 Regarding Fuel and     )  
Fuel-Related Costs Adjustments for Electric     )  
Utilities

Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (“Dominion Energy North Carolina” or “Company”) and the Public Staff of the North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Public Staff”) through counsel, hereby jointly move the Commission for an order (1) excusing the appearance of certain witnesses at the hearing scheduled to begin in this proceeding on November 6, 2017, and (2) allowing the introduction of all prefiled testimony and exhibits into the record at such hearing without the appearance of these witnesses. In support of this request, the Parties respectfully show unto the Commission as follows:

1. On August 23, 2017, the Company filed its Application for change in fuel component of electric rates, along with the testimony and exhibits of Bruce E. Petrie, James D. Merritt, Ronnie T. Campbell, Tom A. Brookmire, and Gregory A. Workman.
2. On August 28, 2017, CIGFUR I filed a petition to intervene, which was granted by the Commission on September 13, 2017.
3. On August 30, 2017, the Commission issued an Order scheduling hearing, requiring filing of testimony, establishing discovery guidelines, and requiring public notice.

4. On August 31, 2017, Nucor Steel – Hertford (“Nucor”) filed a petition to intervene, which was granted by the Commission on September 12, 2017.

5. On October 23, 2017, the Public Staff prefiled the affidavit and exhibit of Sonja R. Johnson and the testimony and exhibit of Dustin R. Metz.

6. On October 25, 2017, the Public Staff prefiled the revised testimony and exhibit of Dustin R. Metz.

7. On October 30, 2017, the Company filed the rebuttal testimonies of Brandford L. Stanley, John Rosenberg, Julius A. Wright, and Bruce E. Petrie.

8. The witnesses whom the Parties request be excused are as follows: Dominion Energy North Carolina witnesses Brookmire, Campbell, Merritt, and Workman; and Public Staff affiant Johnson.

9. Counsel for CIGFUR I and Nucor have advised counsel for the Parties that they do not anticipate any cross examination of the witnesses whom this Joint Motion seeks to be excused.

10. Counsel for all parties have agreed to waive cross-examination of the foregoing witnesses and to consent to the introduction of their testimony and exhibits into the record without the necessity for the appearance of such witnesses.

WHEREFORE, Dominion Energy North Carolina and the Public Staff respectfully request that the Commission enter an order (1) excusing the appearance of Dominion Energy North Carolina witnesses Brookmire, Campbell, Merritt, and Workman and Public Staff affiant Johnson at the hearing scheduled in this docket for November 6, 2017, and (2) accepting the prefiled testimony and exhibits of these witnesses into the record of this proceeding without requiring their appearance.

Respectfully submitted, this the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2017.

Virginia Electric and Power Company,  
d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina

Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities  
Commission

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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. E-22, Sub 546, was served electronically or via U.S. mail, first-class, postage prepaid, upon all parties of record.

This, the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2017.

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