

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 675

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 Authority to Adjust its Electric Rates and Charges and Revise its Fuel Factor Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55 ) ORDER EXCUSING WITNESSES, ) ACCEPTING TESTIMONY, ) CANCELING EXPERT WITNESS ) HEARING, AND SETTING DATE FOR ) BRIEFS AND PROPOSED ORDERS )

BY THE COMMISSION: On September 7, 2023, the Commission issued an Order scheduling the above-captioned matter for a hearing on November 28, 2023. Testimony and exhibits have been filed herein for Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC) by witnesses Jeffrey D. Matzen, James Holloway, Alan J. Moore, Dale E. Hinson, Christopher D. Clemens, and Timothy P. Stuller; for the Public Staff by witness Evan Lawrence and Darrell Brown; and for the Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates I (CIGFUR) by witness Brian C. Collins. In addition to the aforementioned parties, the Commission has granted the intervention of the Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc. (CUCA), and Nucor Steel-Hertford (Nucor). Neither CUCA nor Nucor filed testimony in response to DENC's application.

On November 21, 2023, DENC, the Public Staff, and CIGFUR (Movants) filed a joint motion requesting that the Commission excuse their witnesses from attending the hearing, accept their respective witness testimony and exhibits into evidence, and cancel the expert witness portion of the hearing. Movants stated, among other things, that there are no conflicting positions between the Public Staff, DENC, and CIGFUR, and these parties agree on the DENC's Rider A, Rider B, and Rider B-1 rates, as set forth in Witness Stuller's rebuttal testimony. Further, Movants stated that they agree to waive cross-examination of each other's witnesses, and Nucor and CUCA have also agreed to waive cross-examination of Movants' witnesses and have indicated that they do not object to this motion.

Based on the foregoing and the whole record, the Commission finds good cause to excuse all of Movants' witnesses from testifying at the expert witness hearing on November 28, 2023, to receive the witnesses' testimony and exhibits into evidence, and to cancel the expert witness portion of the hearing.

The public witness hearing scheduled for November 28, 2023, will be held as scheduled, and the record will be held open pending the public witness hearing.

Finally, the Commission finds good cause to require that DENC and the Public Staff file proposed orders, or a joint proposed order, on or before December 28, 2023. CIGFUR, Nucor, and CUCA may file briefs and proposed orders by the same date if they desire to do so.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That the DENC, the Public Staff, and CIGFUR's expert witnesses are excused from appearing and testifying at the hearing on November 28, 2023; their testimony and exhibits are hereby accepted into evidence; and the expert witness hearing is canceled;

2. That the public witness hearing scheduled for November 28, 2023, shall be held as scheduled, and the record shall be held open pending said public witness hearing; and

3. That the parties shall file proposed orders and post-hearing briefs as is further specified above by no later than December 28, 2023.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 27th day of November, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tamika D. Conyers". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name of the signatory.

Tamika D. Conyers, Deputy Clerk