

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 936

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Request by Duke Energy Progress, LLC,)
for Approval of Modifications to) PUBLIC STAFF RESPONSE TO
Residential Home Energy Improvement) POOL PUMP MEASURE
Program)

NOW COMES THE PUBLIC STAFF – North Carolina Utilities Commission, by and through its Executive Director, Christopher J. Ayers, and respectfully submits the following response to the notice filed on December 16, 2015, by Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP), in the above-captioned docket.

1. On October 2, 2015, DEP filed its Application for approval of modifications to its Residential Home Energy Improvement Program (HEIP). On December 2, 2015, the Public Staff filed Comments on the Application, and on December 14, 2015, DEP filed Reply Comments. The North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association filed a letter of support on December 2, 2015.

2. On December 16, 2015, DEP filed a letter with three exhibits (Notice), notifying the Commission that a new measure would be added to the HEIP. The new measure will pay participating customers a \$300 incentive for installing Energy Efficient Variable Speed Pool Pumps (EE Pool Pump). The EE Pool Pump must qualify as an “Energy Star” pump to receive the incentive.

3. DEP states that the new EE Pool Pump measure does not require an application for Commission approval under the flexibility guidelines adopted in

the Commission's April 30, 2009, Order Approving Program in Docket No. E-2, Sub 936. Rather, DEP is providing advance notice that it intends to add the EE Pool Pump measure to the HEIP effective on January 1, 2016.

4. The Public Staff notes that the EE Pool Pump measure has a projected Total Resource Cost test result of 1.93. Based on the information available in the Notice and in a DEP data response to the Public Staff, the Public Staff believes the EE Pool Pump measure is a reasonable addition to the HEIP.

Respectfully submitted this the 31st day of December, 2015.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing PUBLIC STAFF RESPONSE TO POOL PUMP MEASURE on all parties of record in accordance with Commission Rule R1-39, by United States mail, postage prepaid, first class; by hand delivery; or by means of facsimile or electronic delivery upon agreement of the receiving party.

This the 31st day of December, 2015.

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