

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

MINUTES OF REGULAR COMMISSION STAFF CONFERENCE

March 14, 2022

The Regular Commission Staff Conference of the North Carolina Utilities Commission was held on Monday, March 14, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., with Chair Mitchell presiding.

The following were present:

COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Brown-Bland
Commissioner Gray
Commissioner Clodfelter
Commissioner Duffley
Commissioner Hughes
Commissioner McKissick

COMMISSION STAFF: Mr. Watson, Mr. Green, Mr. Mertz, Ms. Hicks, Ms. Hilburn, Ms. Zhang, Mr. Barber, Ms. Jayasheela, Mr. McCoy

PUBLIC STAFF: Mr. Ayers, Ms. Downey, Ms. Holt, Mr. Creech, Ms. Edmondson, Mr. Josey, Ms. Heironimus, Mr. McLawhorn, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Thomas

ATTORNEY GENERAL:

COURT REPORTER: Ms. Vines

ELECTRIC

TARIFF REVISIONS (Floyd/Thomas; Edmondson/Josey)

Dominion Energy North Carolina

1. Docket No. E-22, Sub 543_– Motion to Close Non-Residential Prescriptive Program to New Participants and Withdraw Schedule NRP

On February 15, 2022, Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC) filed a request seeking approval to close the Non-Residential Prescriptive Program (Program) to new participants and withdraw the accompanying tariff (Schedule NRP).

The Public Staff stated that it reviewed DENC's request and agrees that it is appropriate to close the Program to new participants. Because DENC has a pending request for approval of a replacement program before the Commission, it did not evaluate the Program to see if it could be cost-effectively offered on a North Carolina-only basis.

The Public Staff recommended that the Commission issue the proposed order closing the Non-Residential Prescriptive Program to new participants and withdrawing Schedule NRP effective the day the Order is entered.

It was moved and passed that the Public Staff's recommendation be adopted.

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, and Duke Energy Progress, LLC

2. Docket Nos. E-7, Sub 1169 and E-2, Sub 1170 – Motion to Modify the Green Source Advantage Program

On February 11, 2022, Duke Energy Progress, LLP, and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (collectively Duke) filed a motion (Motion) to modify the GSA Program tariffs to implement the changes to the GSA Program effected by Session Law 2021-180 (S.L. 2021-180). Specifically, Duke requests the GSA Program tariffs be modified to reflect that (1) any unsubscribed amount of the 350 MW of the Reserved Capacity be made available to an "eligible customer"; (2) any Reserved Capacity remaining unsubscribed by August 5, 2022, be solely reserved for an "eligible customer" through January 1, 2028; and (3) such "eligible customer" be entitled to subscribe to a capacity amount sufficient to produce all of the eligible customer's actual annual electricity usage or reasonably projected annual electricity usage over the immediately subsequent annual period, up to the total Reserve Capacity available at the time of subscription and not to exceed 350 MW.

The Public Staff stated that it had reviewed Duke's Motion and recommended it be granted and that the proposed modifications to the GSA Program tariffs be approved.

The Public Staff recommended that the Commission issue the proposed order granting Duke's Motion to modify the GSA Program tariffs to reflect the requirements of S.L. 2021-180.

It was moved and passed that the Public Staff's recommendation be adopted.

Minutes of the Regular Commission Staff Conference of February 28, 2022 were approved.

Dianna Downey introduced Jessica Heironimus, the new paralegal for the Public Staff - North Carolina Utilities Commission.

Minutes prepared by Le Anne Ackerman.