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**RE: Duke Energy Progress, LLC Update to Darlington Unit 5 Retirement Date
Docket No. E-100, Sub 147**

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

I write to notify the Commission and all parties of the revised retirement date for the following combustion turbine ("CT") generating unit in connection with the 2017 Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" or the "Company") Integrated Resource Plan Update:

<u>DEP Unit</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Old Retirement Date</u>	<u>New Retirement Date</u>
Darlington CT Unit 5	66 MW (winter rating)	March 2020	May 31, 2018

The Darlington CT Unit 5 has served DEP customers well over its useful life but, based upon the unit's condition and economic evaluations following a fire event on January 2, 2018, the Company determined that this unit will no longer provide economic and reliable commercial service to customers, and the unit will be retired effective May 31, 2018.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Lawrence B. Somers

cc: Parties of Record

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Update to Darlington Unit 5 Retirement Date, in Docket No. E-100, Sub 147, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid to the following parties:

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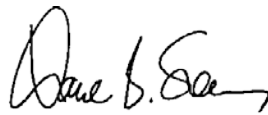
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