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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Ms. M. Lynn Jarvis Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 4325 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

RE: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Motion for Extension of Time Docket No. E-7, Sub 819

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

I enclose Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Motion for Extension of Time to File Responses to Commission Questions, for filing in connection with the referenced matter.

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

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Enclosures

cc: Parties of Record

## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

## DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 819

In the Matter of	)
	) DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS,
Application of Duke Energy	) LLC'S MOTION FOR
Carolinas, LLC for Approval of	) EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
Decision to Incur Nuclear Generation	) RESPONSES TO COMMISSION
Project Development Costs	) QUESTIONS
	)

NOW COMES Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC" or the "Company") pursuant to Commission Rule R1-7 and moves the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Commission") for an extension of time, through and including August 30, 2017, for the Company to file answers to the Commission's questions in its May 15, 2017 *Order Denying Request for Show Cause Order and Requesting Additional Information* (the "May 15 Order"). In support of this motion, DEC shows the following:

- 1. On February 1, 2017, DEC filed a semiannual report in this docket regarding preconstruction costs associated with the development of the Company's William States Lee III Nuclear Station ("Lee Nuclear Station") in Cherokee County, South Carolina.
- 2. In its May 15, 2017 Order, the Commission required DEC to provide a report on the Toshiba financial situation and its potential impacts on DEC's plans for the Lee Nuclear Station, as well as verified responses to questions regarding Lee Nuclear Station expenditures and plans for cost recovery. DEC's responses are due within 60 days of the May 15 Order, which would make the responses due July 14, 2017.

3. The Company is continuing to monitor the Toshiba developments and their impact on the Vogtle and Summer projects. In addition, DEC plans to file its notice of intent to file a general rate case application with this Commission within the next few weeks. Accordingly, DEC respectfully asserts that it would benefit from additional time to provide the Commission with the requested information and that responding to the Commission's questions in the context of the forthcoming rate case filing will further judicial economy.

WHEREFORE, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC respectfully requests that the Commission grant the motion for an extension of time, through and including August 30, 2017, for the Company to file its verified responses to the Commission's questions regarding Lee Nuclear Station, and grant such further relief as the Commission deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted, this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Motion for Extension of Time in Docket No. E-7, Sub 819, 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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This is the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017.

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