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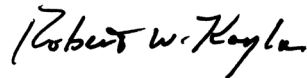
**Re: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and the Public Staff's Joint Motion to
Excuse Witnesses from Evidentiary Hearing
Docket No. E-7, Sub 1306**

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Enclosed for filing is Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and the Public Staff's Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses from Appearance at Hearing, for filing in connection with the above-referenced matter.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Robert W. Kaylor, P.A.

Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record

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**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1306

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)	
)	
Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC)	DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS,
for Approval of Renewable Energy and)	LLC AND THE PUBLIC STAFF’S
Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard)	JOINT MOTION TO EXCUSE
Compliance Report and Cost Recovery Rider)	WITNESSES FROM
Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. 62-133.8 and)	APPEARANCE AT HEARING
Commission Rule R8-67)	

NOW COME Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (“DEC” or “Company”) and the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Public Staff”) and request that the North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Commission”) issue an order excusing all witnesses from testifying at the June 10, 2024 Evidentiary Hearing in the above-captioned matter. In support of this motion, DEC and the Public Staff show the following:

1. On February 27, 2024, DEC pre-filed the testimony and exhibits of witnesses Kimberly A. Presson and Veronica I. Williams along with the 2023 Clean Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard (“CEPS”) Compliance Report in this docket.
2. On March 15, 2024, the Commission issued its *Order Scheduling Hearing, Establishing Procedural and Filing Requirements, and Requiring Public Notice*, setting the date and time for an Evidentiary Hearing in this docket to begin on June 10, 2024, at the conclusion of the hearings scheduled in Docket No. E-7, Subs 1304 and 1305.

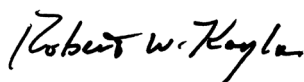
3. On May 20, 2024, the Public Staff filed the affidavits of Tommy Williamson, Jr., and Vevian Fang recommending approval of the CEPS Compliance Report and the Company's proposed rates and riders.

4. On May 29, 2024, DEC filed a Letter in Lieu of Rebuttal.

5. Counsel for DEC and the Public Staff have consulted with counsel for all parties to this docket, and all parties agree to waive cross-examination of the Company's and Public Staff's witnesses and do not object to the introduction of their testimony and exhibits into the record.

Accordingly, DEC and the Public Staff request that all witnesses be excused from appearing at the June 10, 2024 hearing in this docket and that the testimony and exhibits of the respective witnesses be received into the record.

Respectfully submitted this the 30th day of May, 2024.



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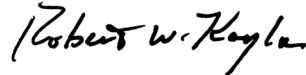
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and the Public Staff's Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses from Appearance at the Evidentiary Hearing, in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1306, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid, properly addressed to parties of record.

This the 30th day of May, 2023.



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