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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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**RE: Duke Energy Progress, LLC and the Public Staff's Joint Motion to
Excuse Witnesses from Evidentiary Hearing
Docket No. E-2, Sub 1176**

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

I enclose Duke Energy Progress, LLC and the Public Staff's Joint Motion for Witnesses to be Excused from Appearance at Hearing, 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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lawrence B. Somers', written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Lawrence B. Somers

Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1176

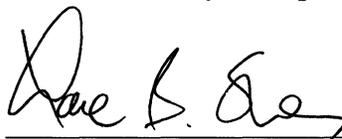
In the Matter of:)	
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Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC)	DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS, LLC
for Approval of Joint Agency Asset Rider)	AND THE PUBLIC STAFF’S JOINT
for Recovery of Costs Related to Facilities)	MOTION FOR WITNESSES TO BE
Purchased from Joint Power Agency)	EXCUSED FROM APPEARANCE
Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §62-133.14 and)	AT HEARING
Rule R8-70)	

NOW COME Duke Energy Progress, LLC (“DEP” 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 September 18, 2018 Evidentiary Hearing in the above-captioned matter. In support of this motion, DEP and the Public Staff show the following:

1. On June 20, 2018, DEP pre-filed the testimony and exhibits of witness LaWanda M. Jiggetts in this docket. DEP filed the supplemental testimony and exhibits of Ms. Jiggetts on August 31, 2018.
2. On September 4, 2018, the Public Staff filed the testimony of Darlene P. Peedin.
3. Counsel for DEP 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, DEP and the Public Staff request that all witnesses be excused from appearing at the September 18, 2018 hearing in this docket and that the testimony and exhibits (pre-filed and supplemental) of the respective witnesses be received into the record.

Respectfully submitted this the 7th day of September, 2018.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Progress, LLC and the Public Staff's Joint Motion for Witnesses to be Excused from Appearance at Hearing, in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1176, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid to the following parties:

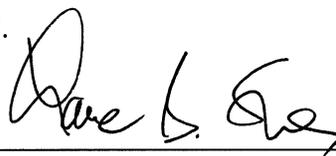
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