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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

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BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 931

In the Matter of Application by Carolina Power & Light Company, d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc., for Approval of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-69

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1032

In the Matter of Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, for Approval of New Cost Recovery Mechanism and Portfolio of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Programs MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME IN WHICH TO FILE REPLY COMMENTS

NOW COMES THE PUBLIC STAFF - North Carolina Utilities Commission (Public Staff), by and through its Executive Director, Christopher J. Ayers, and respectfully requests that the Commission extend by 30 days the time in which to file reply comments in the review of the demand-side management (DSM) / energy efficiency (EE) cost recovery mechanisms (Mechanisms) of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC), and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP) (together "Duke"), in the above-captioned dockets. In support of this motion, the Public Staff shows as follows:

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1. On 6 February 2019, the Commission issued an order in these dockets requesting comments by June 7, 2019, and reply comments by July 10, 2019, from the Public Staff and intervenors addressing possible changes to the DEP and DEC Mechanisms for recovery of DSM/EE costs and incentives.

2. On May 30, 2019, the North Carolina Attorney General's Office (AGO) filed a motion requesting that the dates for comments and reply comments be extended to July 10, 2019, and August 7, 2019, respectively. The Commission granted this Motion on May 31, 2019.

3. On July 10, 2019, initial comments on the DEC and DEP Mechanisms were filed by the AGO, the Public Staff, and the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), Southern Alliance for Clean Energy (SACE), Sierra Club, and South Carolina Coastal Conservation League (SCCCL), together with the North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association (NCSEA).

4. The Public Staff believes that it would be expeditious for the parties that filed initial comments and Duke to meet prior to filing reply comments to discuss where there may be consensus or potential avenues for resolution. The Public Staff hopes to have an initial meeting of this group within the next two weeks if schedules permit. Therefore, the Public Staff requests a 30-day extension of the time by which reply comments must be filed.

5. The Public Staff has conferred with counsel for the AGO, NRDC, SACE, Sierra Club, and SCCCL, and NCSEA and all indicated their willingness to

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participate in a meeting and their assent to a 30-day extension of the date by which reply comments must be filed.

6. Therefore, the Public Staff respectfully requests that the Commission extend the deadline for the filing of reply comments from August 7, 2019, to September 6, 2019.

Respectfully submitted this the 5th day of August, 2019.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Motion on all parties of

record in accordance with Commission Rule R1-39, by United States mail, postage

prepaid, first class; by hand delivery; or by means of facsimile or electronic delivery

upon agreement of the receiving party.

This the 5th day of August, 2019.

Electronically submitted /s/ Lucy Edmondson