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Ms. Antonia Dunston  
Interim Chief Clerk  
North Carolina Utilities Commission  
430 N. Salisbury Street, Dobbs Building  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Re: Docket No. G-9, Sub 791

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Pursuant to N. C. Gen.Stat. § 62-133.4(c) and Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6), enclosed for filing is the *Direct Testimony of Todd Breece*, the *Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Jeffrey Patton*, and the *Direct Testimony and Exhibits of MaryBeth Tomlinson* attesting to the prudence of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.'s ("Piedmont") gas purchasing practices and the accuracy of Piedmont's gas cost accounting for the twelve month period ended May 31, 2021.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions regarding this filing, you may reach me at the number shown above.

Sincerely,

/s/ James H. Jeffries IV

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