STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 558

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Virginia Electric and Power	)	
Company d/b/a Dominion North Carolina Power	)	
Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.2 and Commission	)	JOINT MOTION TO
Rule R8-55 Relating to Fuel and Fuel Related	)	EXCUSE WITNESSES
Charge Adjustments for Electric Utilities	)	

NOW COMES THE PUBLIC STAFF – North Carolina Utilities Commission, by and through its Executive Director, Christopher J. Ayers, and respectfully requests on behalf of Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC or Company), Nucor Steel – Hertford (Nucor), the Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates (CIGFUR) I, and itself (collectively "the Parties") for the Commission to issue an order in the above-captioned docket excusing the witnesses in this proceeding. DENC, Nucor, and CIGFUR have authorized the Public Staff to state that they join with the Public Staff in this motion.

In support of this motion, the Public Staff shows as follows:

1.   On August 30, 2018, DENC filed its application for approval to adjust the fuel component of its electric rates, along with the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of Bruce E. Petrie, Ronnie T. Campbell, Gregory A. Workman, Tom A. Brookmire, and George G. Beasley in support of its Application.

2. On September 7, 2018, the Commission issued an Order scheduling hearing, establishing testimony and discovery guidelines, and requiring public notice.

3. On September 28, 2018, the Public Staff filed a motion requesting changes in the dates for filing petitions to intervene, pre-filed direct testimony and rebuttal testimony, and the date for the expert witness hearings.

4. On October 2, 2018, the Commission issued its *Order Changing Dates for Intervention, Direct and Rebuttal Pre-Filed Testimony, and Expert Witness Hearings*, which modified the procedural schedule and rescheduled the expert witness hearings from Monday, November 5, 2018, to Thursday, November 8, 2018.

5. On October 25, 2018, the Commission granted the motions to intervene of Nucor and CIGFUR.

6. On October 26, 2018, the Public Staff pre-filed the testimony and exhibits of Dustin R. Metz, Darlene P. Peedin, and Michelle M. Boswell; Nucor filed the testimony of Paul J. Wielgus; and CIGFUR filed the testimony of Nicholas Phillips, Jr.

7. On October 5, 2018, DENC filed the rebuttal testimony of Bruce E. Petrie and George G. Beasley.

8. The Parties have agreed to waive cross-examination of the other parties' witnesses. Accordingly, the Parties request that their respective witnesses

be excused from appearing at the hearing scheduled for November 8, 2018, unless the Commission has questions for them.

13.   The Parties further request that the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of the respective witnesses be received into evidence and made part of the record in this matter.

Therefore, the Parties move:

1.   That the Commission excuse the witnesses for the Public Staff, DENC, Nucor, and CIGFUR from appearing at the hearing on November 8, 2018, unless the Commission has questions for any of the witnesses.

2.   That the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of the respective witnesses be received into evidence and made part of the record in this matter.

3.   That the Commission grant such other relief as the Commission deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted, this the 6th day of November, 2018.

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<u>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</u>

I certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing in accordance with Commission Rule R1-39, by United States Mail, first class postage prepaid; by hand delivery; or by means of facsimile or electronic delivery upon agreement of the receiving party.

This the 6th day of November, 2018.

<u>Electronically submitted</u>
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