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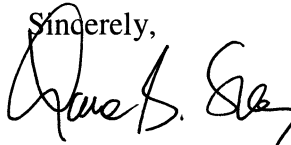
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**RE: Duke Energy Corporation and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.
Notification of Merger Consummation
Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 1095, E-7, Sub 1100 and G-9, Sub 682**

Dear Chief Clerk:

I write on behalf of Duke Energy Corporation and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. pursuant to Ordering Paragraph No. 15 in the North Carolina Utilities Commission's ("Commission") September 29, 2016 *Order Approving Merger Subject to Regulatory Conditions and Code of Conduct* to notify the Commission that the merger of the companies was consummated on October 3, 2016.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Lawrence B. Somers

cc: James H. Jeffries, IV
Parties of Record

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Corporation and Piedmont Natural Gas, Inc.'s Motion to Strike and Motion in Limine as to NC WARN, The Climate Times, and the North Carolina Housing Coalition, in Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 1095, E-7, Sub 1100 and G-9, Sub 682, 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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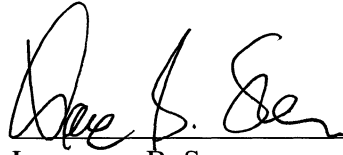
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This the 4th day of October, 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lawrence B. Somers", written over a horizontal line.

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