STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. G-5, SUB 668

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Public Service Company of North Carolina,)	
Inc.'s Request for a Natural Gas Pipeline)	
Construction and Transportation Service)	ORDER ALLOWING AGREEMENT
Agreement between PSNC and Duke)	TO BECOME EFFECTIVE
Energy Progress, LLC)	

BY THE COMMISSION: On October 16, 2023, Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. (PSNC), filed under seal a Natural Gas Pipeline Construction and Transportation Agreement (Agreement) between PSNC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP), dated September 29, 2023, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-142 and Finding of Fact 14 of the Commission's October 18, 2000 Order on Annual Review of Gas Costs in Docket No. G-5, Sub 414. Under the Agreement, PSNC proposed to construct incremental facilities to provide natural gas transportation and redelivery service to DEP's Person County Electric Generation Facility (Facility) as requested by DEP.

On April 3, 2024, the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, Sierra Club, and Natural Resources Defense Council filed a petition to intervene in the docket. The Commission granted the petition to intervene by order dated June 5, 2024.

On May 30, 2024, PSNC filed a confidential updated document related to the Agreement.

The Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission (Public Staff) has reviewed the Agreement filed with the Commission and engaged in written and verbal discovery with PSNC to investigate the Agreement.

The Public Staff presented this matter at the Commission's Regular Staff Conference on July 29, 2024. The Public Staff stated that it had completed its review of the Agreement, and based on its review, recommended that the Commission approve the Agreement pursuant to N.C.G.S. §§ 62-140 and 62-142 and allow PSNC to construct incremental facilities to provide natural gas transportation and redelivery service to DEP's Facility as requested by DEP subject to the following conditions:

(1) The Commission's approval of the Agreement neither constitutes approval of the amount of any compensation paid thereunder, has no accounting or ratemaking implications, nor prejudices the right of any party to take issue with any provision of the Agreement in a future proceeding; and

(2) A separate Commission approval shall be required for any changes in the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

Based on the foregoing, the Commission concludes pursuant to N.C.G.S. §§ 62-140 and 62-142, the Agreement should be approved, subject to the conditions recommended by the Public Staff, as set forth above.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Agreement between Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc., and Duke Energy Progress, LLC, is hereby approved, subject to the conditions recommended by the Public Staff, as enumerated in the body of this Order.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

This the 31st day of July, 2024.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Taylor C. Berry, Deputy Clerk

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