## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1167

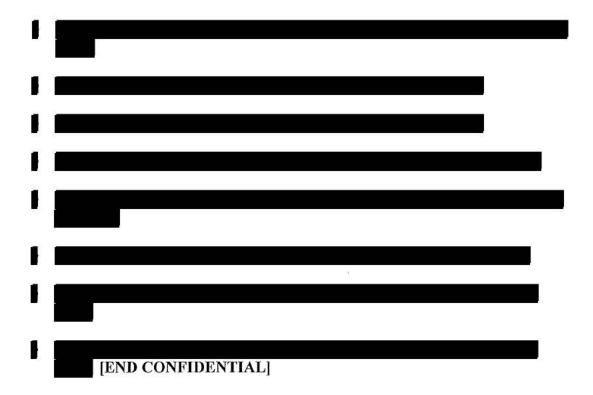
| In the Matter of:   | ) DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS,  |
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| Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC Requesting Approval of Solar Rebate Program Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-155(f) | ) LLC'S MOTION TO EXTEND ) INSTALLATION DEADLINE ) FOR SPECIFIED NON- PROFIT CUSTOMERS ) ) |

NOW COMES Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" or the "Company"), pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-140, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-155(f), and Rule RI-5 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("the Commission"), and hereby makes this motion requesting to extend the installation deadline for eleven nonprofit customers in Buncombe County, North Carolina. In support thereof, the Companies respectfully show the Commission the following.

Pursuant to DEP's Solar Rebate Rider SRR-7, non-profit customers must complete installation no later than 365 days from the date the rebate reservation was obtained or the date of an executed interconnection agreement by the Company, whichever is later. All of these projects have a completion deadline of May 27, 2023. The non-profit customers are as follows: [BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL]



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Seven of these eleven non-profit customers are schools.



Each project has had similar issues that have delayed installation. The Company's understanding is that these issues include delays with stormwater permitting with the county, difficulties importing solar modules, and subsequent redesigns to plan for other utilities being in the area, including underground utility infrastructure. These non-profit customers were not responsible for any of the delays, and all eleven projects are now in the construction phase. Recognizing these projects are now under construction, the Company thinks it is reasonable to extend the deadline for six months to allow the projects to be safely installed. As such, DEP requests a waiver of the 365-day deadline for installation for these eleven projects until November 27, 2023.

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-155(f)(3) set aside 2,500 kilowatts (kW) of annual capacity in the Solar Rebate Program for nonprofit organizations. Consistent with legislative intent and Commission Orders, the Solar Rebate Program has strived to increase nonprofit participation in the program by retaining the incentive amount to nonprofit customers

throughout the program, even as the incentive amount for other classes of customers was reduced, and by increasing marketing to nonprofit customers, including city governments.

The Company shared this motion with the Public Staff, and the Public Staff is supportive of the motion.

WHEREFORE, Duke Energy Progress, LLC respectfully requests the Commission:

(1) grant its request to extend the installation deadline for eleven nonprofit customers in Buncombe County, North Carolina to November 11, 2023

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of May, 2023.

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## **VERIFICATION**

| STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA | ) | DOCKET NOS. E-2, SUB 1167 |
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| COUNTY OF WAKE          | ) |                           |

PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, Catherine Harris, after first being duly sworn, said that she as Products and Services Manager for Duke Energy and as such is authorized to make this verification; that she has read the foregoing DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS, LLC'S MOTION TO EXTEND INSTALLATION DEADLINE FOR NON-PROFIT CUSTOMERS and knows the contents thereof, and that the same are true and correct to the best of her knowledge, information, and belief.

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Catherine Harris

Clean Energy Products and Services

Manager

Duke Energy

worn to and subscribed before this 12 day of May, 2023.

Notary Public

My Commission expires: March 23, 2025

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of Duke Energy Progress, LLC and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's **DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS, LLC'S MOTION TO EXTEND INSTALLATION DEADLINE FOR SPECIFIED NON-PROFIT CUSTOMERS** has been served by electronic mail (e-mail) to parties of record.

This, the  $\frac{154h}{1}$  day of May, 2023.

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