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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. A. Shonta Dunston Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 4325 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

RE: Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Application to Adjust Retail Base Rates and for Performance-Based Regulation, and Request for an Accounting Order Docket No. E-2, Sub 1300

Dear Ms. Campbell:

Enclosed for filing is Duke Energy Progress, LLC's ("DEP" or the "Company") Application to Adjust Retail Base Rates and for Performance-Based Regulation, and Request for an Accounting Order ("Application") pursuant to Sections 62-133, 62.133.16, 62-133.2, 62-134 and 62-135 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Rule R1-17 and R1-17B of the regulations of the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Commission"). In support of the Application, DEP is pre-filing Direct Testimony and Exhibits, as well as Commission Form E-1, Rate Case Information Report - Electric Companies.

While the Application does not contain confidential information, Jiggetts Exhibit 4 and portions of E-1 items 10, 18, 23 and 40 contain commercially sensitive information that should be protected from public disclosure. The information designated by DEP as confidential qualifies as "trade secrets" under N.C.Gen. Stat. § 66-152(3). If this information were to be publicly disclosed, it would allow competitors, vendors, and other market participants to gain an undue advantage, which may ultimately result in harm and higher cost to customers. Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 132-1.2, DEP requests that the information marked "Confidential" be protected from public disclosure. DEP is filing all pages designated as confidential under seal and will make the information available to other parties to this docket pursuant to an appropriate nondisclosure agreement.

Pursuant o N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-300(a)(3), a check is being provided in the amount of \$500.00 for the filing fee in this matter.

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Pursuant to Commission Rule R1-28(e)(l) and upon consulation with your office, the Company plans to deliver 22 paper copies of its application, testimony and exhibits and 12 paper copies of Commission Form E-1, Rate Case Information Report – Electric Companies, to the Commission on or before October 7, 2022.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jack E. Jirak

cc: Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff Lucy Edmondson, Chief Counsel, Public Staff

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Application to Adjust Retail Base Rates and for Performance-Based Regulation, and Request for an Accounting Order, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid, to parties of record.

This the 6th day of October, 2022.

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