STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-100, SUB 179 DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1297 DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1268

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. E-100, SUB 179)
In the Matter of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, 2022 Biennial Integrated Resource Plans and Carbon))))
Plan DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1297 DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1268	ORDER OPENING SEPARATE DOCKETS AND ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL DEADLINES
In the Matter of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, 2022 Solar Procurement Pursuant to Session Law 2021-165, Section 2(c))))))

BY THE CHAIR: Session Law 2021-165 (S.L. 2021-165) directs the Commission to develop a Carbon Plan that takes reasonable steps to reduce carbon dioxide emissions in this State from electric generating facilities owned or operated by Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP), and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC, together with DEP, Duke) by 70% from 2005 levels by 2030 and to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050.

On November 19, 2022, the Commission opened Docket No. E-100, Sub 179 (Sub 179) for the purpose of developing the Carbon Plan.

Section 2(c) of Session Law 2021-165 further authorizes the Commission to

direct the procurement of solar energy facilities in 2022 by the electric public utilities if, after stakeholder participation and review of preliminary analysis developed in preparation of the initial Carbon Plan, the Commission finds that such solar energy facilities will be needed in accordance with the criteria and requirements set forth in Section 1 of this act to achieve the authorized carbon reduction goals.

On March 8, 2022, Duke made a filing in Sub 179 stating its intent to file its 2022 Solar Procurement Plan with the Commission on or about March 14, 2022.

The Commission finds good cause to open separate dockets for the purpose of considering DEP's and DEC's anticipated 2022 Solar Procurement Plan and has reserved Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 1297 and E-7, Sub 1268 for this purpose. Finally, due to the expedited nature of Duke's anticipated request, the Commission finds good cause to establish a schedule for allowing interventions and receiving the comments of interested parties.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That Duke's 2022 Solar Procurement Plan and responsive comments shall be filed solely in Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 1297 and E-7, Sub 1268;
- 2. That any person having an interest in Duke's 2022 Solar Procurement Plan may file a petition to intervene in Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 1297 and E-7, Sub 1268 stating such interest on or before Monday, March 28, 2022;
- 3. That the Public Staff and intervenors may file comments responsive to Duke's 2022 Solar Procurement Plan on or before Monday, March 28, 2022;
 - 4. That Duke may file reply comments on Monday, April 4, 2022.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 11th day of March, 2022.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Erica N. Green, Deputy Clerk