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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Chief Clerk's Office North Carolina Utilities Commission 4325 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

> RE: Joint Motion for Certain Witnesses to be Excused from Evidentiary Hearing Docket No. E-2, Sub 1206

Dear Chief Clerk:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission is the Joint Motion of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, the Public Staff and the NC Justice Center, NC Housing Coalition and the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy for Certain Witnesses to be Excused from Evidentiary Hearing in the referenced matter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kendrick C. Fentress

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Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record

## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1206

In the Matter of:	)	
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Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC	)	JOINT MOTION FOR CERTAIN
for Approval of Demand-Side Management	)	WITNESSES TO BE EXCUSED
and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider	)	FROM APPEARANCE AT
Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. 62-133.9 and	)	<b>EVIDENTIARY HEARING</b>
Commission Rule R8-69	)	
	)	

NOW COME Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" or the "Company"), the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Public Staff"), and the North Carolina Justice Center, North Carolina Housing Coalition and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy ("NCJC/NCHC/SACE") (collectively, the "Movants"), and jointly request that the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Commission") issue an order excusing the appearance of certain witnesses at the September 9, 2019 Evidentiary Hearing and allowing the introduction of the prefiled testimony and exhibits of the excused witnesses into the record in this matter. In support of this joint motion, the Movants show as follows:

- On June 11, 2019 DEP pre-filed direct testimony and exhibits of Carolyn T.
   Miller and Robert P. Evans in support of the Company's application in this docket.
- 2. On August 19, 2019 the Public Staff filed the testimony and exhibits of Michael C. Maness and the testimony of David Williamson recommending approval of the Company's Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency ("DSM/EE") rates after the Public Staff has the opportunity to review DEP's supplemental testimony. DEP agrees to waive its right to cross-examine the Public Staff's witnesses.

- 3. On August 19, 2019 NCJC/NCHC/SACE filed the testimony and exhibits of Forest Bradley-Wright.
  - 4. On August 28, 2018 DEP filed the rebuttal testimony of witness Evans.
- On September 4, 2019 DEP filed the supplemental testimony of witness
   Miller, which incorporated the Public Staff's adjustments.
- 6. On behalf of the Movants, counsel for DEP has consulted with counsel for all parties to this docket, including the Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates III, the Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc., and the North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association, and all parties agree to waive cross-examination of all witnesses, with the exception of witness Evans for DEP and witness Bradley-Wright for NCJC/NCHC/SACE, and offer no objection to the introduction of the testimony and exhibits of all excused witnesses into the record.

WHEREFORE, DEP, the Public Staff and NCJC/NCHC/SACE respectfully request that all witnesses with the exception of witness Evans for DEP and witness Bradley-Wright for NCJC/NCHC/SACE be excused from appearing at the September 9, 2019 hearing in this docket and that the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of all witnesses be received into evidence and made part of the record in this matter. The Public Staff and NCJC/NCHC/SACE have authorized the undersigned to file this Joint Motion on their behalf.

Respectfully submitted, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of the Joint Motion of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, the Public Staff and the NC Justice Center/NC Housing Coalition/Southern Alliance for Clean Energy for Witnesses to be Excused from Evidentiary Hearing, in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1206, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid to the parties of record.

This is the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019.

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