

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 931
DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1032
DOCKET NO. E-100, SUB 179

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 931)

In the Matter of)
Application by Carolina Power & Light)
Company, d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas,)
Inc., for Approval of Demand-Side)
Management and Energy Efficiency Cost)
Recovery Rider Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.9 and)
Commission Rule R8-69)

ORDER GIVING NOTICE
REGARDING PRESENTATION
AT TECHNICAL CONFERENCE

DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1032)

In the Matter of)
Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, for)
Approval of New Cost Recovery Mechanism)
and Portfolio of Demand-Side Management)
and Energy Efficiency Programs)

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On October 20, 2020, in Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 931, and E-7, Sub 1032, the Commission issued the Order Approving Revisions to Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Mechanisms (2020 Order Approving Mechanisms), which approved the current versions of the demand-side management (DSM) and energy efficiency (EE) cost recovery and incentive mechanisms of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (together, Duke or the Companies), (Mechanism(s)). The Commission directed the Public Staff to initiate a comprehensive review of the Mechanisms not later than May 1, 2024, unless requested to do so earlier by the Commission, DEC or DEP, or another interested party. 2020 Order Approving Mechanisms at 14.

After receiving testimony regarding proposed DSM/EE mechanisms during the Carbon Plan expert witness hearing, the Commission stated in its Order Adopting Initial Carbon Plan and Providing Direction for Future Planning issued on December 30, 2022, in Docket No. E-100 Sub 179 (Initial Carbon Plan Order) that it was “persuaded by the Public Staff’s assertion that ‘any modifications to individual components of the

Mechanisms must take place in the context of a full, formal review of the entire Mechanisms, so that any impacts of other components of the Mechanisms can be analyzed at the same time.” Initial Carbon Plan Order at 109-10. The Commission ordered that “Duke shall initiate a docket to review the DEC and DEP DSM/EE cost recovery mechanisms to consider the enablers Duke proposes.” Initial Carbon Plan Order at 134.

On April 27, 2023, Duke filed a letter in the above-captioned dockets initiating the Commission-directed review of the Mechanisms.

On June 29, 2023, Duke hosted the first stakeholder meeting concerning the review of the Mechanisms.

On September 7, 2023, in advance of the second planned stakeholder meeting, the Public Staff filed a Motion for Procedural Relief. Among other things, the Motion for Procedural Relief sought an order directing the parties to file comments addressing a specified list of topics. Duke and Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates II (CIGFUR II) and the Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates III (CIGFUR III) filed responses to the Motion for Procedural Relief.

On October 30, 2023, the Commission issued its Order Granting Public Staff’s Motion for Procedural Relief and Scheduling Technical Conference (Order). The Commission found that “a technical conference will assist the Commission and the parties to examine the Mechanisms thoroughly and efficiently” and scheduled a technical conference on the following topics:

- a. The existing Mechanisms; and
- b. A summary of the work of the DSM/EE Mechanism Review stakeholder process.

Order at 6, 8.

The Presiding Commissioner finds that a presentation on different cost recovery and incentive approaches for DSM and EE programs utilized in other jurisdictions will further the goals of the technical conference.

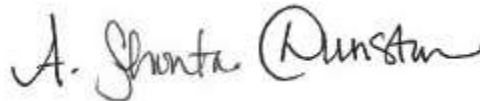
The Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and the Regulatory Assistance Project (RAP), through a Department of Energy Funded program to support Utility Commissions, have agreed to make available Shawn Enterline, a senior associate with RAP, in order to make a presentation and answer Commissioner questions. Mr. Enterline's presentation will follow the parties' presentation on the existing Mechanisms.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

This the 6th day of December, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Shonta Dunston". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk