



**NORTH CAROLINA
PUBLIC STAFF
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

December 16, 2020

Ms. Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
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Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

Re: Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 1167 and E-7, Sub 1166 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) – Compliance Tariffs

Dear Ms. Campbell:

On December 11, 2020, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, and Duke Energy Progress, LLC, (jointly, “Duke”) filed compliance tariffs to reflect the modifications approved by the Commission in its November 6, 2020 *Order Modifying Fourth Year of Solar Rebate Program and Requiring Additional Comments* and its November 25, 2020 *Order Allowing October 6 and October 7, 2020 Installations to Apply to Solar Rebate Program Beginning on January 6, 2021* in the above-referenced dockets.

The Public Staff reviewed the filing, finds that the modifications comply with the Commission's orders, and recommends that the Commission accept Duke's compliance filings. The Public Staff notes that the change from a single annual enrollment period to two enrollment periods each year starting in July 2021 results in an alignment issue between the timeframe when a residential customer who has obtained a rebate reservation must complete installation of the system and the timeframe by which applications on the “wait list” established for each application period are cancelled. The Public Staff discussed this issue with Duke and recommends that Duke increase its outreach to applicants with rebate reservations prior to the time by which applications on the wait list are cancelled at the end of each enrollment period in order to maximize the number of customers able to utilize the available capacity prior to any unused capacity rolling forward into a subsequent application period. The Public Staff also plans to continue to discuss this issue with Duke and other interested parties.

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Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions

Sincerely,

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