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Ms. A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission **Dobbs Building** 430 North Salisbury Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

> Dominion Energy North Carolina's 2022 Fuel Charge Adjustment Re:

Docket No. E-22, Sub 644

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding on behalf of Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (the "Company") is the Company's Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses and Cancel Evidentiary Hearing.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. Please call me if additional information is required.

Very truly yours,

/s/Mary Lynne Grigg

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Enclosures

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 644

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)	
)	
Application of Virginia Electric and Power)	JOINT MOTION TO EXCUSE
Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North)	WITNESSES AND CANCEL
Carolina, for Authority to Adjust its Electric)	EVIDENTIARY HEARING
Rates and Charges and Revise its Fuel Factor)	
Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. 62-133.2 and)	
NCUC Rule R8-55)	

NOW COME Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina ("DENC" or "Company"), the Public Staff - North Carolina Utilities Commission (the "Public Staff"), and the Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates I ("CIGFUR I") (together with DENC and the Public Staff, "Joint Movants") and, together, respectfully request that the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Commission") issue an order in the above-captioned docket excusing DENC's, the Public Staff's, and CIGFUR I's witnesses from appearing at the evidentiary hearing scheduled in this proceeding for November 9, 2022, and to cancel the evidentiary hearing.

In support of this Motion, Joint Movants show as follows:

1. On August 9, 2022, DENC filed its application for a fuel charge adjustment, along with accompanying testimony and exhibits, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55, relating to fuel and fuel-related charge adjustments for electric utilities ("Application"). The Application was accompanied by the testimony and exhibits of Jeffrey D. Matzen, Ronnie T. Campbell, Dale E. Hinson, Christopher D. Clemens, and Timothy P. Stuller.

- 2. On September 16, 2022, the Commission issued its Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Filing of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Public Notice ("Procedural Order"). Pursuant to the Procedural Order, the Commission established deadlines for the filing of petitions to intervene, intervenor testimony and exhibits, and Company rebuttal testimony and exhibits.
- 3. The intervention and participation of the Public Staff in this docket is recognized pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-15(d) and Commission Rule R1-19(e).
- 4. On August 30, 2022, CIGFUR I filed a Petition to Intervene in this docket.

 The Petition was granted on September 1, 2022.
- 5. On September 16, Nucor Steel-Hertford ("Nucor") filed a Petition to Intervene in this docket. The Petition was granted on September 19, 2022.
 - 6. No other parties have intervened in this proceeding.
- 7. On October 17, 2022, the Company filed in this docket a Petition to Modify Test Period, requesting that the Commission grant the Company authority to include in its request for recovery the deferral balance for the months of July, August, and September, 2022; schedule an additional public hearing following the evidentiary hearing in this matter in order for the Company to comply with the Rule R8-55(g) notice requirements; and approve the Company's revised Public Notice.
- 8. On October 18, 2022, the Company filed the supplemental testimonies and exhibits of Ronnie T. Campbell, Dale E. Hinson, Jeffrey D. Matzen, and Timothy P. Stuller.
- 9. Also on October 18, 2022, the Public Staff filed a Motion to Extend Certain Deadlines for the Public Staff and other intervenors to have until October 24, 2022 to file

testimony and exhibits, and for the Company to have until November 1, 2022 to file rebuttal testimony. The motion was granted on October 19, 2022.

- On October 24, 2022, the Public Staff filed the testimony of Evan D.
 Lawrence and Fenge Zhang.
- 11. Also on October 24, 2022, CIGFUR I filed the testimony and exhibits of Brian C. Collins.
- 12. On November 1, 2022, the Company filed the rebuttal testimony and exhibits of Ronnie T. Campbell and Timothy P. Stuller.
- 13. Joint Movants, together with Nucor, have reached agreement on all issues, which has been memorialized in an agreement and stipulation of settlement ("Stipulation").
- 14. On November 8, 2022, the Company filed the Stipulation and the testimony of Timothy P. Stuller in support of the Stipulation.
- 15. All parties have agree to waive cross-examination of the other parties' respective witnesses, as applicable.
- 16. As such, Joint Movants request that their respective witnesses be excused from appearing at the hearing scheduled for November 9, 2022, pursuant to the Procedural Order, unless the Commission has questions for them, and that the evidentiary hearing be canceled.
- 17. Counsel for Nucor has indicated that it does not object to this motion to excuse.

THEREFORE, Joint Movants respectfully move:

1. That the Commission excuse the witnesses for DENC, the Public Staff, and CIGFUR I from appearing at the hearing on November 9, 2022, unless the Commission

has questions for any of these witnesses, and cancel the evidentiary hearing.

- 2. That the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of the respective witnesses and the Stipulation be received into evidence and made part of the record in this matter; and
- 3. That the Commission grant further relief as the Commission deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted, this the 8th day of November, 2022.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing *Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses and Cancel Evidentiary Hearing* filed in Docket No. E-22, Sub 644 was served electronically or via U.S. mail, first class postage prepaid, upon all parties of record.

This the 8th day of November, 2022.

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