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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
4325 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

**RE: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC Request for Waiver of Annual Cost of Service Studies Filing Requirement
Docket No. E-7, Sub 1214**

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Pursuant to the Commission's March 31, 2021 *Order Accepting Stipulations, Granting Partial Rate Increase, and Requiring Customer Notice* in the above-referenced docket, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC") is required to file annual per-book cost of service studies based on the Summer Coincident Peak and Summer-Winter Peak and Average methodologies. To comply with this requirement, DEC must file its cost of service studies by May 31, 2023. However, DEC filed a general rate case application to adjust its rates and charges on January 19, 2023 in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1276, and that application contained updated cost of service studies.

Rather than file cost of service studies in January 2023 and then again in May 2023, DEC requests a waiver of the requirement to file the annual cost of service studies in 2023. The studies submitted with the general rate case application will serve as the annual cost of service studies required by the March 31, 2021 Order. Granting this waiver request will enable DEC to avoid the unnecessary costs and expense of two studies within a short period of time. DEC has discussed this with the Public Staff, and the Public Staff supports granting of the requested waiver. Accordingly, DEC submits that good cause exists for granting the relief requested herein.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Jack E. Jirak

cc: Parties of Record

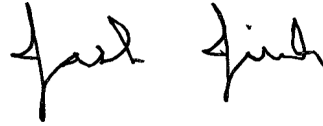
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Request for Waiver of Annual Cost of Service Studies Filing Requirement, in Docket No. E-7 Sub 1214, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid to parties of record.

This the 22nd day of February, 2023.



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