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

Re: Docket No. M-1, Sub 12PNG

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Pursuant to the North Carolina Utilities Commission's ("Commission") January 30, 2020, *Order Requiring Electronic Filing of Quarterly Financial and Operational Data* in Docket No. M-100, Sub 157, enclosed is the quarterly surveillance report, on Commission Form G.S.-1, for Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Piedmont") for the period ending December 31, 2023.

Due to methodological and timing differences between the data presented in this report and the manner in which Piedmont would otherwise calculate pro forma rate base and income for ratemaking purposes for the relevant period, Piedmont respectfully submits that the information reflected on the attached report should be used for informational purposes only and not for jurisdictional ratemaking purposes.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions about this filing, you may reach me at the number shown above.

Sincerely,

/s/ Brian L. Franklin
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GS-1 Quarterly Surveillance Report
Period Ending December 31, 2023

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**Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.
Quarterly Earnings Surveillance Report for the NCUC¹**

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NCUC Form G.S.-1
Rate of Return Calculations
Piedmont Natural Gas
Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023

N.C. Rate Base Method
Schedule 1
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Line No.	Item	Total Company					
		Capital ² (a)	Capital Ratio ² (b)	Rate Base ² (c)	Embedded Cost ² (d)	Overall Cost Rate % ² (e)	Net Operating Income (f)
1	Long-term Debt ¹	\$ 3,536,511	45.45%	\$ 3,324,685	4.28%	1.95%	\$ 142,297
2	Short-term Debt	356,854	4.59%	335,480	4.67%	0.21%	15,667
3	Preferred Stock	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	0.00%	-
4	Members' Equity	3,888,274	49.97%	3,655,379	8.82%	4.41%	322,372
5	Total Capitalization	<u>\$ 7,781,639</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 7,315,544</u>		<u>6.57%</u>	<u>\$ 480,335</u>
North Carolina							
6	Long-term Debt ¹	\$ 3,536,511	45.45%	\$ 2,586,594	4.28%	1.95%	\$ 110,706
7	Short-term Debt	356,854	4.59%	261,002	4.67%	0.21%	12,189
8	Preferred Stock	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	0.00%	-
9	Members' Equity	3,888,274	49.97%	2,843,872	8.50%	4.25%	241,737
10	Total Capitalization	<u>\$ 7,781,639</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 5,691,468</u>		<u>6.41%</u>	<u>\$ 364,632</u>
South Carolina							
11	Long-term Debt ¹	\$ 3,536,511	45.45%	\$ 242,878	4.28%	1.95%	\$ 10,395
12	Short-term Debt	356,854	4.59%	24,508	4.67%	0.21%	1,145
13	Preferred Stock	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	0.00%	-
14	Members' Equity	3,888,274	49.97%	267,036	10.18%	5.09%	27,188
15	Total Capitalization	<u>\$ 7,781,639</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 534,421</u>		<u>7.25%</u>	<u>\$ 38,727</u>
Other Company Operations							
16	Long-term Debt ¹	\$ 3,536,511	45.45%	\$ 495,214	4.28%	1.95%	\$ 21,195
17	Short-term Debt	356,854	4.59%	49,970	4.67%	0.21%	2,334
18	Preferred Stock	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	0.00%	-
19	Members' Equity	3,888,274	49.97%	544,471	9.82%	4.90%	53,447
20	Total Capitalization	<u>\$ 7,781,639</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 1,089,655</u>		<u>7.06%</u>	<u>\$ 76,976</u>

¹ Amounts reflect par value of current and non-current maturities of long-term debt, less unamortized debt discount and expense.

² Capital, Rate Base and Cost Rates represented above reflect 13-month average amounts.

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Rate of Return Calculations
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges - SEC Method
Piedmont Natural Gas
Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023

Financial Method
Schedule 1a
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Line No.	Item	Total Company Booked (a)	NC Jurisdiction (b)	SC Jurisdiction (c)	Other Company Operations (d)
<u>Rate of Return on Investment</u>					
1	Net Operating Income	\$ 480,335	\$ 364,632	\$ 38,727	\$ 76,975
2	Net Investment Including Materials and Supplies	8,595,057	6,574,699	643,457	1,376,901
3	Rate of Return on Investment (L1/L2)	5.59%	5.55%	6.02%	5.59%
<u>Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges (SEC)</u>					
4	Net Income	308,936	238,751	19,749	50,435
5	Add Back:				
6	Federal Income Tax Including Investment Tax Credits	75,301	59,502	4,347	11,451
7	State Income Tax	12,830	7,265	375	5,190
8	Total Net Income Plus Income Taxes	\$ 397,067	\$ 305,518	\$ 24,470	\$ 67,076
<u>Fixed Charges</u>					
9	Interest Expense	171,399	125,881	18,979	26,540
10	1/3 Rentals Included in Fixed Charges	-	-	-	-
11	Total Fixed Charges (L9 + L10)	\$ 171,399	\$ 125,881	\$ 18,979	\$ 26,540
12	Earnings as Adjusted (L8+L11)	\$ 568,466	\$ 431,399	\$ 43,449	\$ 93,616
13	Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges (L12/L11)	3.32	3.43	2.29	3.53
14	Common Stock Dividends Paid/Declared ¹	\$ -			
<u>Number of Shares Outstanding: (Rounded to thousands) ¹</u>					
15	End of Period	-			
16	Yearly Average	-			

¹ Common Stock is not maintained at the jurisdictional level.

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Capital
Piedmont Natural Gas
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N.C. Rate Base Method
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Line No.	Item	Long-term Debt ¹ (a)	Short-term Debt (b)	Preferred Stock (c)	Total Members' Equity (d)	Total Capital (col. a+b+c+d) (e)
1	<u>Total Company</u>					
	Balance at end of:					
2	Dec-22	3,358,438	513,624	-	3,672,027	7,544,089
3	Jan-23	3,358,643	513,853	-	3,797,898	7,670,395
4	Feb-23	3,358,863	377,287	-	3,846,356	7,582,507
5	Mar-23	3,358,590	343,493	-	3,897,127	7,599,210
6	Apr-23	3,358,812	327,206	-	3,908,938	7,594,956
7	May-23	3,359,035	335,093	-	3,906,017	7,600,145
8	Jun-23	3,707,586	103,639	-	3,903,548	7,714,772
9	Jul-23	3,707,788	164,453	-	3,898,484	7,770,724
10	Aug-23	3,708,009	230,724	-	3,892,251	7,830,983
11	Sep-23	3,708,172	297,432	-	3,894,730	7,900,333
12	Oct-23	3,663,379	406,539	-	3,911,541	7,981,459
13	Nov-23	3,663,647	487,382	-	3,967,341	8,118,371
14	Dec-23	3,663,686	538,374	-	4,051,302	8,253,361
15	Total (Sum of Lines 2 thru 14)	\$ 45,974,646	\$ 4,639,099	\$ -	\$ 50,547,560	\$ 101,161,305
16	13 Month Average (L15/13)	\$ 3,536,511	\$ 356,854	\$ -	\$ 3,888,274	\$ 7,781,639
17	13 Month Average Ratio	45.45%	4.59%	0.00%	49.97%	100.00%
18	Net Proceeds			\$ -		
19	Actual Interest Accrued for the Period	\$ 151,345	\$ 16,678			
20	13 Month Average Embedded Cost	4.28%	4.67%			

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Line No.	Item	Plant in Service (a)	CWIP Allowed (b)	Accumulated Provision for Depreciation (c)	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes (d)	Operating Reserves (e)	Working Capital Allowance (f)	Rate Base (a+b-c-d-e+f) (g)	Total Company Booked CWIP (h)
1	<u>Total Company Jurisdictional Data</u>								
	Balance at end of:								
2	Dec-22	10,585,420	-	2,662,292	1,300,652	-	422,990	7,045,465	477,194
3	Jan-23	10,660,600	-	2,684,275	1,300,600	-	400,060	7,075,785	473,802
4	Feb-23	10,701,202	-	2,704,938	1,296,176	-	385,541	7,085,629	509,401
5	Mar-23	10,886,328	-	2,719,561	1,314,849	-	368,391	7,220,309	407,233
6	Apr-23	10,919,891	-	2,737,277	1,313,239	-	359,401	7,228,776	446,707
7	May-23	10,979,960	-	2,758,056	1,311,450	-	362,925	7,273,378	474,613
8	Jun-23	11,035,612	-	2,771,955	1,333,483	-	365,734	7,295,908	495,063
9	Jul-23	11,050,319		2,781,704	1,331,448	-	372,300	7,309,467	559,442
10	Aug-23	11,162,205		2,793,933	1,329,530	-	382,822	7,421,563	528,098
11	Sep-23	11,232,117		2,797,415	1,351,796	-	389,912	7,472,818	541,186
12	Oct-23	11,302,462		2,807,039	1,349,955	-	381,724	7,527,193	586,124
13	Nov-23	11,346,134		2,824,531	1,357,979	-	380,216	7,543,839	646,045
14	Dec-23	11,392,178		2,815,980	1,337,179	-	362,920	7,601,939	689,526
15	Total (Sum of Lines 2 thru 14)	\$ 143,254,427	\$ -	\$ 35,858,957	\$ 17,228,337	\$ -	\$ 4,934,936	\$ 95,102,070	\$ 6,834,432
16	13 Month Average (L15/13)	\$ 11,019,571	\$ -	\$ 2,758,381	\$ 1,325,257	\$ -	\$ 379,610	\$ 7,315,544	\$ 525,726

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1	<u>Total NC Jurisdictional Data</u>								
	Balance at end of:								
2	Dec-22	7,920,772	-	1,853,811	970,869	-	374,001	5,470,092	388,294
3	Jan-23	7,983,851	-	1,870,254	970,869	-	356,371	5,499,099	380,462
4	Feb-23	8,014,156	-	1,886,575	966,885	-	345,294	5,505,990	407,034
5	Mar-23	8,184,090	-	1,897,267	991,681	-	327,549	5,622,692	299,768
6	Apr-23	8,210,381	-	1,910,824	990,364	-	326,310	5,635,504	321,239
7	May-23	8,248,972	-	1,925,409	988,875	-	329,384	5,664,071	345,263
8	Jun-23	8,292,797	-	1,935,627	1,009,479	-	331,568	5,679,259	354,477
9	Jul-23	8,299,515	-	1,942,674	1,007,749	-	339,351	5,688,443	404,468
10	Aug-23	8,398,403	-	1,951,076	1,006,139	-	349,200	5,790,388	356,287
11	Sep-23	8,452,086	-	1,953,609	1,020,471	-	355,745	5,833,751	359,569
12	Oct-23	8,464,432	-	1,960,198	1,018,942	-	359,040	5,844,332	436,331
13	Nov-23	8,493,080	-	1,972,412	1,023,911	-	357,575	5,854,332	488,458
14	Dec-23	8,523,353	-	1,965,512	1,003,994	-	347,286	5,901,132	531,031
15	Total (Sum of Lines 2 thru 14)	\$ 107,485,887	\$ -	\$ 25,025,247	\$ 12,970,229	\$ -	\$ 4,498,674	\$ 73,989,085	\$ 5,072,682
16	13 Month Average (L15/13)	\$ 8,268,145	\$ -	\$ 1,925,019	\$ 997,710	\$ -	\$ 346,052	\$ 5,691,468	\$ 390,206

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1	<u>Total SC Jurisdictional Data</u>								
	Balance at end of:								
2	Dec-22	890,176	-	290,318	95,921	-	21,116	525,053	31,178
3	Jan-23	896,260	-	291,961	95,921	-	19,514	527,892	31,280
4	Feb-23	899,179	-	293,515	95,746	-	19,514	529,432	34,206
5	Mar-23	901,404	-	295,012	96,886	-	19,514	529,020	37,835
6	Apr-23	904,506	-	296,625	96,798	-	15,794	526,877	41,965
7	May-23	909,230	-	298,168	96,710	-	15,794	530,146	44,432
8	Jun-23	912,576	-	299,617	97,526	-	15,794	531,226	49,289
9	Jul-23	913,739	-	300,267	97,438	-	13,820	529,853	53,507
10	Aug-23	917,461	-	301,409	97,350	-	13,820	532,521	60,697
11	Sep-23	925,291	-	302,094	97,889	-	13,820	539,127	62,832
12	Oct-23	935,765	-	303,301	97,802	-	8,261	542,924	62,798
13	Nov-23	942,221	-	305,263	97,402	-	8,261	547,817	65,143
14	Dec-23	948,274	-	304,973	95,979	-	8,261	555,583	71,435
15	Total (Sum of Lines 2 thru 14)	\$ 11,896,081	\$ -	\$ 3,882,520	\$ 1,259,371	\$ -	\$ 193,281	\$ 6,947,471	\$ 646,597
16	13 Month Average (L15/13)	\$ 915,083	\$ -	\$ 298,655	\$ 96,875	\$ -	\$ 14,868	\$ 534,421	\$ 49,738

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1	<u>Total Other Company Operations Data</u>								
	Balance at end of:								
2	Dec-22	1,774,472	-	518,163	233,862	-	27,873	1,050,320	57,722
3	Jan-23	1,780,488	-	522,061	233,810	-	24,176	1,048,793	62,060
4	Feb-23	1,787,867	-	524,848	233,546	-	20,734	1,050,208	68,161
5	Mar-23	1,800,834	-	527,283	226,282	-	21,329	1,068,598	69,629
6	Apr-23	1,805,004	-	529,828	226,077	-	17,297	1,066,396	83,502
7	May-23	1,821,758	-	534,480	225,864	-	17,747	1,079,161	84,917
8	Jun-23	1,830,240	-	536,712	226,478	-	18,372	1,085,422	91,298
9	Jul-23	1,837,066	-	538,763	226,260	-	19,129	1,091,171	101,467
10	Aug-23	1,846,341	-	541,448	226,040	-	19,802	1,098,655	111,113
11	Sep-23	1,854,740	-	541,712	233,436	-	20,347	1,099,939	118,785
12	Oct-23	1,902,266	-	543,540	233,211	-	14,423	1,139,937	86,995
13	Nov-23	1,910,833	-	546,856	236,666	-	14,379	1,141,691	92,444
14	Dec-23	1,920,552	-	545,495	237,205	-	7,373	1,145,224	87,060
15	Total (Sum of Lines 2 thru 14)	\$ 23,872,459	\$ -	\$ 6,951,189	\$ 2,998,737	\$ -	\$ 242,981	\$ 14,165,515	\$ 1,115,153
16	13 Month Average (L15/13)	\$ 1,836,343	\$ -	\$ 534,707	\$ 230,672	\$ -	\$ 18,691	\$ 1,089,655	\$ 85,781

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Income Statement
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Line No.	Item	Total Company Booked (a)	NC Jurisdiction (b)	SC Jurisdiction (c)	Other Company Operations (d)
1	<u>OPERATING REVENUES BY REVENUE CLASS</u>				
2	Residential	\$ 860,403	\$ 607,991	\$ 93,607	158,805
3	Commercial	465,597	324,703	47,409	93,485
4	Industrial	49,076	32,592	14,189	2,295
5	Power Generation - Sales	45	45	-	-
6	Sales to Public Authorities	1,114	695	419	-
7	Sales for Resale	293	293	-	-
8	Provision for Rate Refund	-	-	-	-
9	Total Sales of Gas	\$ 1,376,528	\$ 966,319	\$ 155,624	\$ 254,585
10	Secondary market sales	\$ 2,513	\$ 1,811	\$ 192	\$ 510
11	Gas transportation for others	65,675	42,531	8,836	14,308
12	Transportation for resale	5,814	5,814	-	-
13	Power generation - transportation	114,896	106,661	8,235	-
14	Other operating revenues	8,078	6,228	574	1,276
15	Total Gas Operating Revenues	\$ 1,573,504	\$ 1,129,364	\$ 173,461	\$ 270,679
16	<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>				
17	Purchased Gas	422,146	282,241	61,085	\$ 78,820
18	Other Operating & Maintenance Expense ¹	303,504	217,179	36,878	49,447
19	Total O&M and Cost of Gas	\$ 725,650	\$ 499,420	\$ 97,963	\$ 128,267
20	Depreciation and Amortization	239,847	183,945	19,430	36,472
21	Total O&M, Cost of Gas & Depreciation	\$ 965,497	\$ 683,365	\$ 117,393	\$ 164,739
22	<u>OPERATING TAXES</u>				
23	Federal Income Tax Liability	31,287	\$ 24,917	4,047	\$ 2,323
24	Federal Income Tax - Deferred	44,022	34,582	303	9,137
25	Investment Tax Credit (ITC) Normalization	-	-	-	-
26	Amortization of Investment Tax Credits (ITC)	(8)	3	(3)	(8)
27	Total Federal Taxes - Operating	\$ 75,301	\$ 59,502	\$ 4,347	\$ 11,452
28	State Income Taxes	745	(5,202)	267	5,679
29	State Income Taxes - Deferred	12,086	12,466	107	(488)
30	Other Operating Taxes (General)	59,097	32,512	13,510	13,075
31	Utility Federal EDIT Amortization	(19,556)	(17,912)	(890)	(754)
32	Utility State EDIT Amortization	-	-	-	-
33	Total Operating Taxes	\$ 127,672	\$ 81,367	\$ 17,341	\$ 28,964
34	Total Operating Expenses & Cost of Gas	\$ 1,093,169	\$ 764,732	\$ 134,734	\$ 193,703
35	Net Utility Operating Income (L15-L32)	\$ 480,335	\$ 364,632	\$ 38,727	\$ 76,976

¹ Other Operating & Maintenance Expense including interest on customer deposits

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Line No.	Item	Total Company Booked (a)	NC Jurisdiction (b)	SC Jurisdiction (c)	Other Company Operations (d)
36	<u>OTHER INCOME</u>				
37	Interest charged to construction	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
38	Dividends and other interest income	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
39	Miscellaneous Income	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
40	Total Other Income	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
41	<u>OTHER DEDUCTIONS</u>				
42	Miscellaneous Income Deductions	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
43	Taxes Applicable to Other Income & Deductions	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
44	Total Other Deductions	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
45	<u>INTEREST CHARGES</u>				
46	Interest on Long-term Debt	\$ 148,588	\$ 106,344	\$ 16,360	\$ 25,884
47	Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense	2,757	1,973	304	480
48	Amortization of Premium on Debt (Cr.)	-	-	-	-
49	Interest on Advances from Affiliated Companies	-	-	-	-
50	GreenEdge Program Interest Expense	(73)	(73)	0	0
51	Other Interest Expense	20,127	17,636	2,316	175
52	Total Interest Charges	\$ 171,399	\$ 125,881	\$ 18,979	\$ 26,540
53	Net Income Before Extraordinary and Delayed Items	\$ 308,936	\$ 238,751	\$ 19,749	\$ 50,436
54	Extraordinary & Delayed Items	-	-	-	-
55	Net Income	\$ 308,936	\$ 238,751	\$ 19,749	\$ 50,436
56	Less Preferred Dividends	-	-	-	-
57	Net Income Available for Members' (Common) Equity	\$ 308,936	\$ 238,751	\$ 19,749	\$ 50,436
58	Members' Equity Capital - Year End	\$ 4,051,302	4,051,302	4,051,302	4,051,302
59	Members' Equity Capital - Simple Average	\$ 3,861,665	3,861,665	3,861,665	3,861,665
60	Rate of Return on Members' Equity - Year End	7.63%	5.89%	0.49%	1.24%
61	Rate of Return on Members' (Common) Equity - Simple Average	8.00%	6.18%	0.51%	1.31%

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Line No.	Item	Total Company Booked (a)	NC Jurisdiction (b)	SC Jurisdiction (c)	Other Company Operations (d)
1	<u>ASSETS</u>				
2	Gross Plant in Service	\$ 11,392,178	\$ 8,523,353	\$ 948,274	\$ 1,920,552
3	Plant held for future use	6,730	6,730	-	-
4	Less: Accumulated Depreciation & Amortization	2,815,980	1,965,512	304,973	545,495
5	Net Plant in Service	\$ 8,582,927	\$ 6,564,570	\$ 643,301	\$ 1,375,056
6	Plus: Materials and Supplies	12,130	10,129	156	1,845
7	Net Plant in Service and Materials & Supplies	\$ 8,595,057	\$ 6,574,699	\$ 643,457	\$ 1,376,902
8	CWIP	689,526	531,031	71,435	87,060
9	Regulatory Asset for GreenEdge Program	1,916	1,574	151	191
10	Other Assets	1,642,954	1,255,217	116,650	271,087
11	Total Assets	<u>\$ 10,929,453</u>	<u>\$ 8,362,521</u>	<u>\$ 831,692</u>	<u>\$ 1,735,240</u>
12	<u>LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY</u> ¹				
13	Common Stock	859,847	n/a	n/a	n/a
14	Retained Earnings	2,417,417	n/a	n/a	n/a
15	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	(956)	n/a	n/a	n/a
16	Capital Contribution From Parent	774,994	n/a	n/a	n/a
17	Total Members' Equity	4,051,302	n/a	n/a	n/a
18	Total Long-term Debt (LTD)	3,663,686	n/a	n/a	n/a
19	Total Members' Equity and LTD	<u>\$ 7,714,987</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>
20	Short-term Obligations	538,374	n/a	n/a	n/a
21	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes (Net)	1,337,179	n/a	n/a	n/a
22	Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits	1,338,913	n/a	n/a	n/a
23	Total Liabilities and Members' Equity	<u>\$ 10,929,453</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>

¹ Total Liabilities and Members' Equity are not maintained at the jurisdictional level.

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N.C. Jurisdiction Revenues and Expenses

Line No.	Item	Last General Rate Case As Approved In NCUC Docket No. G-9, Sub 781			Actual Operations for Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023		
		Revenue (a)	Expenses as a % of		Revenue (d)	Expenses as a % of	
			Revenue (b)	Expenses (c)		Revenue (e)	Expenses (f)
1	<u>OPERATING REVENUES</u>						
2	Gross Operating Revenues	\$ 1,189,973			\$ 1,129,364		
3	<u>OPERATING REVENUE DEDUCTIONS</u>						
4	Cost of Gas	\$ 370,633	31.15%	42.97%	\$ 282,241	24.99%	36.95%
5	Operating and Maintenance Expenses	214,073	17.99%	24.82%	216,325	19.15%	28.32%
6	Depreciation and Amortization	174,275	14.65%	20.21%	183,945	16.29%	24.08%
7	Taxes Other Than Income Taxes	36,999	3.11%	4.29%	32,512	2.88%	4.26%
8	Taxes - State Income	7,544	0.63%	0.87%	7,265	0.64%	0.95%
9	Taxes - Federal Income	57,721	4.85%	6.69%	59,499	5.27%	7.79%
10	Utility EDIT Amortization	1,265	0.11%	0.15%	(17,912)	-1.59%	-2.34%
11	Utility SEDIT Amortization	-	0.00%	0.00%	-	0.00%	0.00%
12	Amortization of Investment Tax Credits (ITC)	(28)	0.00%	0.00%	3	0.00%	0.00%
13	Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 862,482</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 763,879</u>		<u>100.00%</u>
14	Interest on Customer Deposits	895	0.08%		853	0.08%	
15	Net Operating Income for Return	<u>\$ 326,596</u>	27.45%		<u>\$ 364,632</u>	32.29%	

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		N.C. Jurisdiction Rate Base	
		Last General Rate Case As Approved In NCUC Docket No. G-9, Sub 781	Actual Operations As Of December 31, 2023
Line No.	Item	North Carolina Jurisdiction (a)	North Carolina Jurisdiction (b)
16	Gas Utility Plant in Service	\$ 7,081,638	\$ 8,523,353
17	Accumulated Depreciation	(1,680,866)	(1,965,512)
18	Net Plant in Service	5,400,772	6,557,840
19	Materials and Supplies	9,605	10,941
20	Gas in Storage	38,986	72,071
21	Customer Deposits	(11,307)	(10,646)
22	Cash Working Capital	66,716	67,418
23	Other Working Capital	136,533	207,502
24	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes	(910,160)	(1,003,994)
25	Original Cost Rate Base (L16 thru L23)	<u>\$ 4,731,144</u>	<u>\$ 5,901,132</u>

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Line No.	Type Obligation (Bonds, Debentures, Notes, etc.)	Issue Date (a)	Maturity Date (b)	Face Amount (c)	Amount Outstanding (d)	Interest Rate (e)	Interest Booked for 12 Months Ended This Report (f)	Interest Annualized On Outstanding Long-Term Debt Col. (e)*(d) (g)
1	3.47 % Series	7/16/2012	7/16/2027	100,000	100,000	3.470	3,470	3,470
2	3.57 % Series	7/16/2012	7/16/2027	200,000	200,000	3.570	7,140	7,140
3	4.65 % Series	8/1/2013	8/1/2043	300,000	300,000	4.650	13,950	13,950
4	4.10 % Series	9/18/2014	9/18/2034	250,000	250,000	4.100	10,250	10,250
5	3.60 % Series	9/14/2015	9/1/2025	150,000	150,000	3.600	5,400	5,400
6	3.64 % Series	7/28/2016	11/1/2046	300,000	300,000	3.640	10,920	10,920
7	3.50% Series	5/24/2019	6/1/2029	600,000	600,000	3.500	21,000	21,000
8	3.35% Series	5/21/2020	6/1/2050	400,000	400,000	3.350	13,400	13,400
9	2.50% Series	3/11/2021	3/15/2031	350,000	350,000	2.500	8,750	8,750
10	5.05% Series	5/13/2022	5/15/2052	400,000	400,000	5.050	20,200	20,200
11	5.40% Series	6/8/2023	6/15/2033	350,000	350,000	5.400	10,658	18,900
12	Total Senior Debt			\$ 3,400,000	\$ 3,400,000		\$ 125,138	\$ 133,380
13	7.40 % Series	10/03/1995	10/31/2025	55,000	55,000	7.400	4,070	4,070
14	7.50 % Series	10/09/1996	10/09/2026	40,000	40,000	7.500	3,000	3,000
15	7.95 % Series	9/14/1999	09/14/2029	60,000	60,000	7.950	4,770	4,770
16	6.00 % Series	12/19/2003	12/19/2033	100,000	100,000	6.000	6,000	6,000
17	Total Medium-Term Debt			\$ 255,000	\$ 255,000		\$ 17,840	\$ 17,840
18	Capital Leases			-	-		-	-
19	Other Long-Term Debt			-	-		-	-
20	Unamortized Debt Expense, Discount and Premium			-	31,305		2,757	-
21	Return on Prepaid Interest			-	-		-	-
22	Current Portion of Long-Term Debt			-	39,991		5,742	2,422
23	Long-Term Interest Allocated to Non-Utility Activities			-	-		(131)	-
24	Total Long-Term Debt			\$ 3,655,000	\$ 3,663,686		\$ 151,345	\$ 153,642

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Line No.	Item	Total Company Booked (a)	NC Jurisdiction (b)	SC Jurisdiction (c)	Other Company Operations (d)
1	<u>OPERATING REVENUES BY REVENUE CLASS</u> ¹				
2	Residential	\$ 860,403	\$ 607,991	\$ 93,607	\$ 158,805
3	Commercial	465,597	324,703	47,409	93,485
4	Industrial	49,076	32,592	14,189	2,295
5	Power Generation - Sales	45	45	-	-
6	Sales to Public Authorities	1,114	695	419	-
7	Sales for Resale	293	293	-	-
8	Total Revenue from Sales of Gas	<u>\$ 1,376,528</u>	<u>\$ 966,319</u>	<u>\$ 155,624</u>	<u>\$ 254,585</u>
9	Gas transported for others	\$ 65,675	\$ 42,531	\$ 8,836	\$ 14,308
10	Gas transported for power generation	114,896	106,661	8,235	-
11	Gas transported for resale	5,814	5,814	-	-
12	<u>DT of Gas Sold</u>				
13	Residential	51,500	33,858	7,025	10,617
14	Commercial	42,348	29,534	5,005	7,809
15	Industrial	7,981	5,246	2,457	278
16	Power Generation - Sales	16	16	-	-
17	Sales to Public Authorities	69	38	31	-
18	Sales for Resale	-	-	-	-
19	Total DT of Gas Sales	<u>101,914</u>	<u>68,691</u>	<u>14,518</u>	<u>18,704</u>
20	Gas transported for others	91,962	71,333	9,622	11,007
21	Gas transported for power generation	371,993	328,711	43,282	-
22	Gas transported for resale	3,885	3,885	-	-
23	<u>Revenue Per DT</u> ¹				
24	Residential	\$ 16.71	\$ 17.96	\$ 13.32	\$ 14.96
25	Commercial	\$ 10.99	\$ 10.99	\$ 9.47	\$ 11.97
26	Industrial	\$ 6.15	\$ 6.21	\$ 5.77	\$ 8.26
27	Power Generation - Sales	\$ 2.83	\$ 2.83	\$ -	\$ -
28	Sales to Public Authorities	\$ 16.08	\$ 18.36	\$ 13.33	\$ -
29	Sales for Resale	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
30	Total Revenue per DT of Gas Sold	<u>\$ 13.51</u>	<u>\$ 14.07</u>	<u>\$ 10.72</u>	<u>\$ 13.61</u>
31	Gas transported for others	\$ 0.71	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.92	\$ 1.30
32	Gas transported for power generation	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.19	\$ -
33	Gas transported for resale	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.50	\$ -	\$ -

¹ Does not include revenues related to the provision for rate refund.

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Line No.	Item	Total Company Booked (a)	NC Jurisdiction (b)	SC Jurisdiction (c)	Other Company Operations (d)
1	<u>Period End Number of Customers By Revenue Class</u>				
2	Residential	1,062,969	731,791	148,055	183,123
3	Commercial	106,581	73,093	14,903	18,585
4	Industrial	1,460	1,079	359	22
5	Power generation - sales	2	2	-	-
6	Sales to public authorities	2,869	1,521	1,348	-
7	Sales for resale	2	2	-	-
8	Total Customers - Period End	<u>1,173,883</u>	<u>807,488</u>	<u>164,665</u>	<u>201,730</u>
9	Gas transported for others	700	499	85	116
10	Gas transported for power generation	26	23	3	-
11	Gas transported for resale	6	6	-	-
12	<u>Average Number of Customers By Revenue Class</u>				
13	Residential	1,053,602	725,889	146,072	181,642
14	Commercial	105,984	72,699	14,829	18,456
15	Industrial	1,471	1,090	360	21
16	Power generation - sales	2	2	-	-
17	Sales to public authorities	2,885	1,533	1,352	-
18	Sales for resale	1	1	-	0
19	Total Customers-Average	<u>1,163,945</u>	<u>801,214</u>	<u>162,612</u>	<u>200,120</u>
20	Gas transported for others	714	508	87	119
21	Gas transported for power generation	26	23	3	-
22	Gas transported for resale	6	6	-	-
23	<u>INFORMATIONAL ONLY</u>				
24	<u>Average DT Usage per Customer</u>				
25	Residential	49			
26	Commercial	400			
27	Industrial	5,425			
28	Power generation - sales	7,962			
29	Sales to public authorities	24			
30	Sales for resale	-			
31	Total DT Usage per Customer - Average	88			
32	Gas transported for others	128,723			
33	Gas transported for power generation	14,307,432			
34	Gas transported for resale	656,537			

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NC Jurisdictional Revenue
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Line No.	Item	NCUC Fee Quarter Ended December 31, 2023
1	<u>Revenue from Dts Sales Subject to NCUC Fee:</u>	
2	Operating Revenues	
3	Residential Sales	\$ 206,505,026
4	Commercial Sales	103,487,210
5	Industrial Sales	7,706,291
6	Power generation Sales	10,454
7	Sales to public authorities	-
8	Sales for Resale	1,529,428
9	<u>Total Revenue from Sales of Gas</u>	<u>\$ 319,238,410</u>
10	<u>Other Revenue Subject to NCUC Fee:</u>	
11	Secondary market sales	\$ 508,030
12	Gas transportation for others	\$ 12,623,802
13	Transportation for resale	\$ -
14	Power generation - transportation	\$ 26,531,602
15	Other operating revenues	\$ 2,126,557
16	<u>Subtotal - Other Piedmont Natural Gas Revenue</u>	<u>\$ 41,789,990</u>
17	<u>Total Piedmont Natural Gas Revenues</u>	<u>\$ 361,028,400</u>
18	Less: Uncollectible Revenues	\$ 132,700
19	<u>Total Revenues subject to Regulatory Fee</u>	<u>\$ 360,895,700</u>

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NC GreenEdge Program
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Line No.	Description	Collections	Cost	Interest	Balance
1	Prior Year Twelve Month Ending Balance				730,656
2	Jan-23	(6,300)	(34,640)	3,821	
3	Feb-23	(7,965)	27,180	3,783	
4	Mar-23	(12,078)	172,375	4,286	
5	Apr-23	(9,753)	181,049	5,201	
6	May-23	(13,167)	83,464	5,879	
7	Jun-23	(14,745)	81,818	6,280	
8	Jul-23	(12,636)	20,756	6,616	
9	Aug-23	(17,415)	74,658	6,728	
10	Sep-23	(14,085)	61,376	7,045	
11	Oct-23	(16,323)	61,174	7,331	
12	Nov-23	(18,162)	75,183	7,644	
13	Dec-23	(16,425)	125,147	8,131	
14	Twelve Months Ending Balance	(159,054)	929,541	72,746	1,573,888

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing is being served this date upon all parties to this docket electronically or by depositing a copy of the same in the United States Mail, First Class Postage Prepaid, at the addresses contained in the official service list in this proceeding.

This, the 29th day of February, 2024.

/s/ Brooke M. Szymanski
Brooke M. Szymanski