

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-34, SUB 46

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Application of Appalachian State)
University, d/b/a New River Light and)
Power Company, for an Adjustment of)
Rates and Charges for Electric Service in)
North Carolina)
	PUBLIC STAFF'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

NOW COMES THE PUBLIC STAFF – North Carolina Utilities Commission (Public Staff), by and through its Chief Counsel, David T. Drooz, and moves that the Commission issue an order granting the Public Staff and Appalachian State University, d/b/a New River Light and Power Company (Applicant), additional time to file testimony in the above-captioned docket. In support of this motion, the Public Staff respectfully shows unto the Commission:

1. On July 28, 2017, the Applicant filed an application with the Commission seeking authority to increase its rates for electric utility service.
2. The Applicant subsequently amended the application.
3. On August 28, 2017, the Commission issued its Order Establishing a General Rate Case, Suspending Rates, Scheduling Hearings, and Requiring Customer Notice (Order).
4. No other party has intervened in this case.
5. The Order specified that the Public Staff shall file direct testimony and exhibits on or before December 15, 2017, and also provided that the

Applicant shall file rebuttal testimony and exhibits, if any, on or before January 2, 2018.

6. The Public Staff has been working diligently on this matter, conducting discovery, preparing its testimony and exhibits, and is also participating in ongoing discussions with the Applicant. The Public Staff will not be in a position to file testimony and exhibits by the due date set in the Order.

7. The Public Staff respectfully requests that the Commission extend the due date for the filing of Public Staff testimony in this docket to December 20, 2017, and for the filing of rebuttal testimony to January 5, 2018.

8. The Public Staff is authorized to state that the Applicant does not object to this motion.

THEREFORE, the Public Staff requests that the Commission approve an extension of time to December 20, 2017, for the Public Staff to file testimony, and an extension to January 5, 2018, for the Applicant to file rebuttal testimony.

Respectfully submitted, this the 13th day of December, 2017.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of the foregoing upon each of the parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record by emailing them an electronic copy or by causing a paper copy of the same to be hand-delivered or deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, properly addressed to each.

This the 13th day of December, 2017.

Electronically submitted
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