

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1150

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC,)	
for a Certificate of Environmental)	
Compatibility and Public Convenience and)	ORDER REQUIRING
Necessity to Construct Approximately 11.5)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Miles of New 230-kV Transmission Line in)	
Johnston County, North Carolina)	

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On October 31, 2017, the Commission conducted the expert witness hearing in this matter. Subsequently, on November 8, 2017, the State Environmental Review Clearinghouse filed its comments. Because the Commission did not have the Clearinghouse's comments prior to the expert witness hearing, the Commission was unable to ask Duke Energy Progress, LLC's (DEP's) witnesses to address issues that were raised in those comments. In addition, during the hearing DEP's witnesses stated that DEP is participating in on-going discussions with impacted landowners in order to address landowner concerns with DEP's proposed transmission line route. The Commission seeks updated information as to the status of those discussions.

Based on the foregoing and the record, the Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to require DEP to file the following information:

1. What is the status of DEP's response to the North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources' August 22, 2017 recommendation that, "prior to the initiation of any ground disturbing activities within the project area, a comprehensive archaeological survey of the preferred route be conducted by an experienced archaeologist"?
2. What is the status of DEP's response to the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission's November 1, 2017 recommendation that DEP conduct an aquatic species survey at the proposed line's Middle Creek crossing location?
3. What is the status of DEP's discussions with impacted landowners who would like changes in DEP's proposed route?

DEP shall provide responses to these questions when it files its proposed order in this matter.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 13th day of November 2017.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Linnetta Threatt".

Linnetta Threatt, Acting Deputy Clerk