# BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1167

In the Matter of:  Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC Requesting Approval of Solar Rebate Program Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-155(f)	) DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS, LLC'S MOTION FOR ADDITIONAL EXTENSION OF INSTALLATION DEADLINE FOR SPECIFIED NON-PROFIT CUSTOMERS )
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NOW COMES Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" or the "Company"), pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-140, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-155(f), and Rule Rl-5 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("the Commission"), and hereby makes this motion requesting to an additional extension of the installation deadline for five nonprofit customers in Buncombe County, North Carolina. In support thereof, the Companies respectfully show the Commission the following.

On June 12, 2023, the Commission granted an extension of time to 11 non-profit projects until November 27, 2023, to install their solar photovoltaic electric generating systems. Despite progress, setbacks have occurred for eight of these projects. The eight non-profit projects requiring an additional extension are as follows:

## GROUP A

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For projects in Group A, the Company's understanding is that these projects have been delayed due to stormwater issues and continued delays with local permitting. Although construction has begun on these projects, construction has been paused until the permit issue is resolved. For projects in Group B, construction had to pause until structural redesigns were completed. Projects in Group C are complete, but they will not be operational until DG Interfaces are installed by the Company. Recognizing five of these projects were in construction and three have completed their work, the Company thinks it is reasonable to extend the deadline to allow the projects to be safely installed. As such,

[END CONFIDENTIAL]

DEP requests a further waiver of the 365-day deadline for installation for these eight projects until June 30, 2024.

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-155(f)(3) set aside 2,500 kilowatts (kW) of annual capacity in the Solar Rebate Program for nonprofit organizations. Consistent with legislative intent and Commission Orders, the Solar Rebate Program has strived to increase nonprofit participation in the program by retaining the incentive amount to nonprofit customers throughout the program, even as the incentive amount for other classes of customers was reduced, and by increasing marketing to nonprofit customers, including city governments. A further extension of the deadline for installation for these projects is consistent with the intent to enable nonprofit participation.

The Company shared this motion with the Public Staff, and the Public Staff is supportive of the motion.

WHEREFORE, Duke Energy Progress, LLC respectfully requests the Commission:

(1) grant its request to extend the installation deadline further for eight nonprofit projects in Buncombe County, North Carolina to June 30, 2024.

Respectfully submitted this 27th day of November, 2023.

By:

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## **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	)	DOCKET NOS. E-2, SUB 1167
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PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, Kendall B. McGinley, after first being duly sworn, said that she as Manager Products & Services- Clean Energy for Duke Energy is authorized to make this verification; that she has read the foregoing DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS, LLC'S MOTION FOR ADDITIONAL EXTENSION OF INSTALLATION DEADLINE FOR SPECIFIED NON-PROFIT CUSTOMERS and knows the contents thereof; and that the same are true and correct to the best of her knowledge, information, and belief.

Kendall B. McGinley

Manager Products & Services - Clean Energy

Duke Energy

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of November, 2023.

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My Commission expires: Quant 27 2028

Jacqueline Wilson NOTARY PUBLIC State of South Carolina My Commission Expires August 27, 2028

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of **DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS**, **LLC'S MOTION FOR ADDITIONAL EXTENSION OF INSTALLATION DEADLINE FOR SPECIFIED NON-PROFIT CUSTOMERS** has been served by electronic mail (e-mail) to parties of record.

This, the  $\frac{274h}{}$  day of November, 2023.

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