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

*Re: Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses
Docket Nos. G-5, Sub 642*

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceedings is the Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses on behalf of Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina and the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission, Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc.

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

Sincerely,

/s/Mary Lynne Grigg

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Enclosure

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. G-5, SUB 642

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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| In the Matter of |) | |
| Application of Public Service Company of |) | |
| North Carolina, Inc., for Annual Review of |) | JOINT MOTION TO EXCUSE |
| Gas Costs Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.4(c) |) | WITNESSES |
| and Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6) |) | |
| |) | |

NOW COME Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc., d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (“PSNC” or the “Company”), and the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission (the “Public Staff”), (collectively, the “Joint Movants”) by and through counsel and pursuant to Rule R1-7 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the North Carolina Utilities Commission (“Commission”), and hereby move the Commission to issue an order in the above-captioned dockets excusing the Company’s and the Public Staff’s witnesses from appearing at the evidentiary hearing scheduled in this proceeding.

In support this Motion, Joint Movants show the following:

1. By Order of March 22, 2022, the Commission directed PSNC to work with the Public Staff in PSNC’s 2022 annual review of gas costs to address whether PSNC should consider and possibly implement the same design day demand methodology refinements and to file testimony with its application describing its discussions with the Public Staff and its proposed changes in design day demand methodology and Design Winter Load Durations Cure calculations, if any.
2. On June 1, 2022, PSNC filed testimony and exhibits of Rose M. Jackson and Glory J. Creel.

3. By Order dated June 8, 2022, the Commission scheduled an in person evidentiary hearing for the purpose of conducting the annual review of PSNC's gas costs, to review witness testimony and evidence presented by the Company, the Public Staff, and other intervenors, in Raleigh on Tuesday, August 9, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in Commission Hearing Room 2115.

4. On June 17, 2022, PSNC filed supplemental testimony and exhibits of Glory J. Creel.

5. On July 8, 2022, Haw River Assembly filed a petition to intervene, which petition was granted by the Commission on July 15, 2022.

6. On July 25, 2022, the Public Staff filed the testimony of Dustin R. Metz, Shawn L. Dorgan, Sonja R. Johnson, and Jordan A. Nader.

7. Based upon its review of the Public Staff's testimony, there are no matters in dispute between PSNC and the Public Staff in this proceeding, and the Joint Movants have no cross-examination questions for each other's witnesses.

8. No other parties have intervened in this proceeding.

9. Joint Movants therefore request that PSNC's witnesses Rose M. Jackson and Glory J. Creel, and the Public Staff's witnesses Dustin R. Metz, Shawn L. Dorgan, Sonja R. Johnson, and Jordan A. Nader be excused from appearing at the evidentiary hearing, unless the Commission has questions for these witnesses.

10. Joint Movants further request that the pre-filed testimonies and exhibits of PSNC's witnesses and the Public Staff's witnesses be received into evidence and made part of the record in this matter.

11. Counsel for Joint Movants have consulted counsel for the Haw River Assembly and have been authorized to state that the Haw River Assembly does not object to this Motion.

WHEREFORE, Public Service Company of North Carolina Inc., d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina, and the Public Staff respectfully move the Commission to: (1) excuse PSNC's witnesses Rose M. Jackson and Glory J. Creel, and the Public Staff's witnesses Dustin R. Metz, Shawn L. Dorgan, Sonja R. Johnson, and Jordan A. Nader from appearing at the evidentiary hearing, unless the Commission has questions for any of these witnesses; (2) receive into evidence the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of the aforementioned witnesses; and (3) grant such other and further relief as the Commission deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted, this the 3rd day of August, 2022.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing *Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses*, as filed in Docket Nos. G-5, Sub 642, were served electronically or via U.S. mail, first-class, postage prepaid, upon all parties of record.

This, the 3rd day of August, 2022.

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