STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1250

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC,)	ORDER EXCUSING WITNESSES
Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.2 and)	ACCEPTING TESTIMONY,
Commission Rule R8-55 Relating to Fuel and)	CANCELING EXPERT WITNESS
Fuel-Related Charge Adjustments for Electric)	HEARING, AND REQUIRING
Utilities)	PROPOSED ORDERS

BY THE COMMISSION: On June 29, 2020, the Commission issued a Scheduling Order in the above-captioned docket that, among other things, scheduled a public hearing to be held on September 15, 2020. On August 7, 2020, the Commission issued a revised Scheduling Order confirming that the public witness hearing will be held in person on September 15, 2020, at 10:00 a.m., and rescheduling the expert witness hearing to be held remotely on Webex at 1:00 p.m. on September 15, 2020.

On September 11, 2020, Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP), the Public Staff, and the Sierra Club (Movants), filed a motion requesting that the Commission excuse all expert witnesses from testifying at the September 15, 2020 expert witness hearing and accept the expert witnesses' testimony and exhibits into the record. Movants stated that they have consulted with all parties to this docket, that all parties have agreed to waive cross-examination of DEP's and the Public Staff's witnesses, and that none of the parties object to the introduction of their testimony and exhibits into the record.

Based on Movant's motion and the record, the Commission finds good cause to excuse all DEP and Public Staff witnesses from testifying at the expert witness hearing and to receive the witnesses' prefiled testimony, exhibits and affidavits into the record.

Further, the Commission finds good cause to cancel the expert witness hearing and to require that the parties file proposed orders, or a joint proposed order, on or before October 16, 2020, and briefs by the same date, if they desire to file briefs.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 11th day of September, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Joann R. Snyder, Deputy Clerk