STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. G-41, SUB 59

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Application of Toccoa Natural Gas for) Annual Review of Gas Costs Pursuant) to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-133.4(c) and) Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6)	ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR PARTIAL SUSPENSION OF HEARING SCHEDULE

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On August 29, 2023, Toccoa Natural Gas (Toccoa) filed testimony and exhibits relating to its 2023 annual review proceeding pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.4(c) and Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6).

On September 8, 2023, the Commission issued its Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Filing of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Public Notice. That order established discovery procedures, required that Public Staff and intervenor testimony be filed by October 17, 2023, and scheduled an evidentiary hearing for November 1, 2023, to receive public and expert witness testimony.

On September 29, 2023, Toccoa filed a Motion for Partial Suspension of Hearing Schedule. In its motion Tocca requests that the Commission suspend further filing deadlines in this matter and continue the expert witness portion of the November 1, 2023 hearing to allow the Public Staff time to conclude its investigation, but to hold the public witness hearing as scheduled. In support of its motion, Toccoa states that it has been working with the Public Staff to "expeditiously address and resolve the outstanding and unresolved issues and both parties believe that this process may take several more weeks to complete." Toccoa further states that the Public Staff supports the motion.

After careful consideration, the Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to grant the motion, suspend the procedural schedule, and continue the expert witness portion of the November 1, 2023 hearing pending further order of the Commission. The hearing will be convened, as scheduled, at 9:30 a.m. on November 1, 2023, to receive testimony from any public witnesses.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 5th day of October, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Tamika D. Conyers, Deputy Clerk