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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. M-100, SUB 164

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Consideration of the Federal Funding Available Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act)	ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE REPLY COMMENTS

BY THE CHAIR: On February 14, 2022, the Commission issued its Order Allowing Comments Regarding Federal Funding for Utility Service in North Carolina in the above-captioned docket. Among other things, the order made Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP); Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC); Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC); Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (Piedmont); Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. (PSNC); AQUA North Carolina, Inc. (Aqua); and Carolina Water Service, Inc. of North Carolina (CWSNC) parties of record in this proceeding and established March 15, 2022, as the deadline for parties to file comments as directed by the order, and April 14, 2022, as the deadline for parties to file reply comments.

In addition to the entities that were made parties by the terms of the February 14, 2022 order, a number of party intervenors filed initial comments on or before March 15, 2022: the North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association (NCSEA), Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc. (CUCA), Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates, I, II, and III (collectively, CIGFUR), ChargePoint, Inc. (ChargePoint), the Carolinas Clean Energy Business Association (CCBA), and EVgo Services LLC (EVgo).

On April 14, 2022, reply comments were filed by NCSEA, DEC and DEP, EVgo, CUCA, and Piedmont. Dominion and PSNC jointly filed a letter in lieu of reply comments.

Also on April 14, 2022, the Public Staff filed Motion of the Public Staff for Extension of Time. The Public Staff stated that due to the press of business, it was unable to complete its reply comments by the deadline and sought a two-week extension of time for all parties to file reply comments, to and including April 28, 2022. Due to the lateness of the motion, the Public Staff was unable to contact the other parties and determine their positions on the motion. On April 18, the Public Staff notified the Commission by letter that it has contacted the other parties, and no party objected to the requested objection.

The Chair is of the opinion that good cause exists to allow the extension of time.