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               Tuesday, August 18, 2020
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                    G-5, Sub 622
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    BEFORE:
               Hearing Examiner Heather Fennell, Presiding
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                        IN THE MATTER OF:
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        Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc.,
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          for Annual Review of Gas Costs Pursuant to
     N.C.G.S. $ 62-133.4(c) and Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6)
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PROCEEDINGS

HEARING EXAMINER FENNELL: Good morning.

Let's come on the record. I'm Heather Fennell,

Hearing Examiner, and Staff Attorney at the North

Carolina Utilities Commission.

I now call for hearing Docket Number G-5, Sub 622, which is the Application by Public Service Company of North Carolina, hereafter PSNC, for its Annual Review proceeding pursuant to North Carolina General Statute § 62-133.4(c) and Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6).

On June 1st, 2020, PSNC filed testimony of Rose Jackson and Byron Hinson in the above-captioned docket relating to the annual review proceeding pursuant to North Carolina General Statute \$ 62-133.4(c) and Commission Rule 1-17(k)(6).

On June 3rd, the Commission issued an Order scheduling this docket for a public witness and expert witness hearing at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 18th, 2020.

On June 19th, 2020, the Commission issued an Order Granting the Petition to Intervene of Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc.

On July 31st, the Public Staff filed

testimony of Neha Patel and Sonja Johnson.

On August 4th, the Commission issued an Order confirming that the public witness hearing would be held in person at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 18th, 2020, as previously scheduled. In addition, the Commission rescheduled the expert witness hearing to be held remotely via Webex at 11:00 a.m. on this day, Tuesday, August 18th, 2020.

On August 11th, 2020, PSNC filed a Motion requesting that the Commission excuse all witnesses from attending the expert witness hearing and that the Commission receive the witnesses' testimony and exhibits into the record. PSNC stated that it consulted with the Public Staff and CUCA. Further, PSNC stated that because there were no issues in dispute among the parties, all parties have agreed to waive the cross examination of all witnesses and have no objection to the witnesses' prefiled testimony and exhibits being received into the record.

On August 14th, 2020, the Commission granted the Motion and accepted all of the prefiled testimony into the record and canceled the hearing originally scheduled for 11:00 a.m. this morning for the purpose of receiving expert witness testimony.

In compliance with the State Ethics Act, I 1 2 will remind all members of the Commission of their 3 duty to avoid conflicts of interest, and to inquire at 4 this time as to whether any member has a known 5 conflict of interest with respect to this matter 6 before us. 7 (No response) Let the record reflect that no such 8 conflicts were identified. 9 10 I will now call upon the parties to announce 11 their appearances starting with the Applicant. 12 MS. GRIGG: Good morning, Ms. Fennell. 13 Mary Lynne Grigg with the Law Firm of McGuireWoods 14 appearing on behalf of PSNC. 15 HEARING EXAMINER FENNELL: Good morning, 16 Ms. Grigg. 17 Let the record reflect I don't see anyone in 18 the room, any public witnesses. Let the record 19 reflect there are no members of the public in the 20 room. 21 This concludes the hearing. 22 (The proceedings were adjourned) 23 24

CERTIFICATE I, KIM T. MITCHELL, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the Proceedings in the above-captioned matter were taken before me, that I did report in stenographic shorthand the Proceedings set forth herein, and the foregoing pages are a true and correct transcription to the best of my ability. Kim T. Mitchell Kim T. Mitchell Court Reporter