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

> Re: **Docket No. E-100, Sub 175**

> > Biennial Determination of Avoided Cost Rates for Electric Utility

Purchases from Qualifying Facilities – 2021

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Pursuant to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Regulation 18 C.F.R. § 292.302(b)(1)-(3) (2020), which requires electric utilities to file certain avoided cost information with their respective state commissions on a biennial basis, Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (the "Company"), herein submits the information required by this regulation.

Portions of this filing contain confidential information. Information designated by the Company as confidential qualifies as "trade secrets" under N.C. Gen. Stat. § 66-1 52(3). Public disclosure of this information would allow access by external vendors to the projected or actual costs for services that will be or have been competitively bid, which may provide commercial value to such external vendors and may ultimately result in harm to ratepayers. Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 132-1.2, the Company has redacted this confidential information from the public version of this filing and is contemporaneously filing these confidential pages under seal. The Company will make this information available to other interested parties pursuant to an appropriate nondisclosure agreement.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

/s/Andrea R. Kells

ARK:sig Enclosures

Avoided Cost Information as Required by 18 C.F.R. § 292.302(b) Dominion Energy North Carolina Docket No. E-100, Sub 167 November 1, 2021

292.302(b)(1) REQUIREMENT:

The estimated avoided cost on the electric utility's system, solely with respect to the energy component, for various levels of purchases from qualifying facilities. Such levels of purchases shall be stated in blocks of not more than 100 megawatts for systems with peak demand of 1,000 megawatts of more, and in blocks equivalent to not more than 10 percent of the system peak demand for systems of less than 1,000 megawatts. The avoided costs shall be stated on a cents per kilowatt-hour basis, during daily and seasonal peak and off-peak periods, by year, for the current calendar year and each of the next five years.

RESPONSE:

Adjusted for LMP Impact and Avoided Hedge Benefit (¢/kWh)

	Sub1	Sub2	Sub3	Sub4	Sub5	Sub6	Sub7	Sub8	Sub9
2022	4.791	3.601	2.473	5.850	5.121	5.112	3.871	3.483	2.459
2023	4.143	3.069	2.201	4.687	3.961	3.953	3.190	2.732	2.056
2024	3.969	2.945	2.342	4.056	3.398	3.398	2.825	2.268	1.998
2025	3.845	2.860	2.308	3.474	2.905	2.905	2.395	2.046	1.842
2026	3.848	2.867	2.321	3.536	2.955	2.941	2.479	2.063	1.853
2027	3.560	2.659	2.169	3.498	2.910	2.893	2.455	1.960	1.757

Subperiod	Name	Abr.	Months	Weekday Hours	Weekend Hours
Sub1	Summer Premium Peak	(S-PP)	Jun-Sep	15-18	
Sub2	Summer On-Peak	(S-On)	Jun-Sep	11-14,19-22	
Sub3	Summer Off-Peak	(S-Off)	Jun-Sep	1-10,23-24	1-24
Sub4	Winter Premium Peak	(W-PP)	Dec-Feb	7-8,18-19	
Sub5	Winter On-Peak(am)	(W-On-AM)	Dec-Feb	9-12	
Sub6	Winter On-Peak(pm)	(W-On-PM)	Dec-Feb	20-22	
Sub7	Winter Off-Peak	(W-Off)	Dec-Feb	1-6,23-24	1-24
Sub8	Shoulder On-Peak	(Sh-On)	Shoulder	7-22	
Sub9	Shoulder Off-Peak	(Sh-Off)	Shoulder	1-6,23-24	1-24

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292.302(b)(2) REQUIREMENT:

The electric utility's plan for the addition of capacity by amount and type, for purchases of firm energy and capacity, and for capacity retirements for each year during the succeeding 10 years.

RESPONSE:

The Company's 2021 IRP includes the following planned capacity additions and retirements:

Capacity Additions

Unit Name	<u>Type</u>	Planned COD	Summer MW
CE-1 Solar	Solar	2022-2023	82
CE-2 Solar	Solar	2024	746
Future CE Solar	Solar	2025-2035	7,566
Solar DG	Solar	2022-2035	764
Commercial Off-Shore Wind	Off-Shore Wind Project	2026-2033	5,174
Battery	Battery Storage	2022-2036	1,840

Retiring Units

Per the Company's 2021 IRP the generators listed below are likely units for retirement. The Company's final decision regarding any unit retirement will be made at a future date. For the purpose of this filing, the assumptions regarding generation unit retirements are as follows:

Yorktown 3 retiring 6/1/2023 Chesterfield 5 and 6 retiring 6/1/2023 Clover 1 and 2 retiring 6/1/2025 Rosemary retiring 6/1/2027 Altavista, Hopewell and Southampton units retiring 6/1/2029

292.302(b)(3) REQUIREMENT:

The estimated capacity cost at completion of the planned capacity additions and planned capacity firm purchases, on the basis of dollars per kilowatt, and the associated energy cost of each unit, expressed in cents per kilowatt-hour. These costs shall be expressed terms of individual generating units and of individual planned firm purchases.

RESPONSE:

ESTIMATED CAPITAL AND ENERGY COSTS FOR PLANNED CAPACITY ADDITIONS

The Virginia "CE Solar" solar additions shown above are a combination of Company-built utility scale solar resources and PPA contracts. The company-built solar projects are estimated to have overnight installed costs ranging from [BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL] [END CONFIDENTIAL] depending upon the year of commercial operation. The first-year fuel cost is 0 cents/kWh. For the PPA projects, the price for year 1 is expected to be [BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL] END

CONFIDENTIAL]/MWh for contracts beginning in 2024 and [BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL] CONFIDENTIAL]/MWh for contracts after 2024 and beyond.



The Company's 764 MW of smaller scale distributed solar energy resources are estimated to have overnight installed costs of [BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL] [END CONFIDENTIAL] /kW and a first-year fuel cost of 0 cents/kWh. generation

The commercial offshore wind project is estimated to have overnight capital costs of roughly [BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL] [END CONFIDENTIAL]/kW and first-year fuel cost of 0 cents/kWh.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing <u>Information Regarding Avoided Costs</u> as <u>Required by 18 C.F.R. § 292.302(b)(1)-(3)</u>, filed in Docket No. E-100, Sub 175, were served electronically or via U.S. mail, first-class postage prepaid, upon all parties of record.

This the 1st day of November, 2021.

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