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## RE: Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Letter in Lieu of Reply Comments Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 1219 and E-2, Sub 1280

Dear Ms. Dunston:

Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" or the "Company") submits this letter in lieu of reply comments in response to the North Carolina Utilities Commission's ("Commission") October 12, 2021 Order Requesting Comments on Proposed Rate Designs ("Order") in the above-referenced matter. The Order allowed parties to file initial comments addressing the Company's September 30, 2021 application in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1280 requesting approval of two proposed time-of-use rate designs to be effective for service provided on and after March 1, 2022.

On November 2, 2021 the Public Staff filed comments in support for the application as filed. On November 17, 2021 the North Carolina Justice Center ("NCJC"), North Carolina Housing Coalition, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, and Natural Resources Defense Council ("NCJC et al.") jointly filed comments in support of the application as filed. NCJC et al. also reiterated their requests that the Company (1) take steps to make these new rate offerings more accessible to low-income households; (2) continue to avoid residential demand charges in its residential rate offerings; and (3) work with stakeholders to provide additional rate offerings that will work for customers to incent Electric Vehicle charging at off peak times. The Company is addressing the NCJC et al. comments through the Comprehensive Rate Design Collaborative and the Low Income Affordability Collaborative.

In light of the fact that no adverse comments have been submitted, the Companies are submitting this letter in lieu of reply comments. If you have any questions, please do

not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Jack E. Jirak

cc: Parties of Record

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Letter in Lieu of Reply Comments, in Docket Nos. E-2, Sub 1219 and E-2, Sub 1280, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery, or by depositing a copy in the United States Mail, 1<sup>st</sup> Class Postage Prepaid, properly addressed to parties of record.

This the 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021.

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