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## **VIA Electronic Filing**

Ms. Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission Dobbs Building 430 North Salisbury Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Re: Docket No. M-1, Sub 12PSNC

Dear Ms. Campbell:

Pursuant to the North Carolina Utilities Commission's ("Commission") January 30, 2020 *Order Requiring Electronic Filing of Quarterly Financial and Operational Data* in Docket No. M-100, Sub 157, enclosed is the quarterly surveillance report, on Commission Form G.S.-1 for Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. ("PSNC") for the period ending June 30, 2020.

Due to methodological and timing differences between the data presented in this report and the manner in which PSNC would otherwise calculate pro forma rate base and income for ratemaking purposes for the relevant period, PSNC respectfully submits that the information reflected on the attached report should be used for informational purposes only. The report is not an accurate reflection of the Company's reporting for ratemaking purposes.

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

Very truly yours,

/s/Mary Lynne Grigg

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Enclosures

cc: Gina C. Holt Byron W. Hinson B. Craig Collins

NCUC Form G.S.-1

Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc.

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Due to methodological and timing differences between the data presented in this report and the manner in which PSNC would otherwise calculate pro forma rate base and income for ratemaking purposes for the relevant period, PSNC respectfully submits that the information reflected on the attached report should be used for informational purposes only. The report is not an accurate reflection of the Company's reporting for ratemaking purposes.

NCUC Form G.S.-1 Rate of Return Calculations Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020 NC Rate Base Method Schedule 1 (\$000s)

		13-Mo Avg		13-Mo Avg		Overall	Net
Line		Total	Capitalization	Capital/	Embedded	Cost/	Operating
No.	Item	Capitalization	Ratio	Rate Base	Cost	Rate %	Income
		[a]	[b]	[c]	[d]	[e]	[f]
				Total Comp	any		
1	Long-Term Debt	\$730,187	39.69%	\$730,187	4.91%	1.95%	\$35,827
2	Short-Term Debt	94,021	5.11%	94,021	3.20%	0.16%	3,010
3	Common Equity	1,015,528	55.20%	1,015,528	8.91%	4.92%	90,531
4	Total Capitalization [1]	\$1,839,736	100.00%	\$1,839,736	-	7.03%	\$129,368
				North Carolina	a Retail		
5	Long-Term Debt	\$730,187	44.80%	\$704,050	4.91%	2.20%	\$34,569
6	Short-Term Debt	94,021	5.77%	90,678	3.20%	0.18%	2,903
7	Common Equity	805,704	49.43%	776,812	9.73%	4.81%	75,566
8	Total Capitalization [2]	\$1,629,912	100.00%	\$1,571,540		7.19%	\$113,038
				Residual	[3]		
9	Long-Term Debt	\$0	0.00%	\$26,137	4.91%	0.00%	\$1,258
10	Short-Term Debt	0	0.00%	3,343	3.20%	0.00%	107
11	Common Equity	209,824	100.00%	238,716	6.27%	6.27%	14,965
12	<b>Total Capitalization</b>	\$209,824	100.00%	\$268,196		6.27%	\$16,330

<sup>[1]</sup> Schedule 2, Page 1 of 3

<sup>[2]</sup> Schedule 2, Page 2 of 3

<sup>[3]</sup> Total Company less North Carolina Retail

NCUC Form G.S.-1 Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges Compliance with Financial Covenants (4.59%)

 ${\bf Public\ Service\ Company\ of\ North\ Carolina,\ Inc.}$ 

Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020

Financial Method Schedule 1a (\$000s)

Line No.	ltem	Total Company/ North Carolina	
	<del>-</del>		=
	Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges		
1	Consolidated Net Income	\$89,677	[1]
	Fixed Charges		
2	Interest on Debt	\$39,272	
3	Amortization of debt discount and expense	146	-
4	Fixed Charges (L2+L3)	\$39,418	-
	Taxes		
5	Federal Income Tax	\$15,716	
6	State Income Tax	2,094	
7	Income Tax on Other Income (including subsidiaries)	1,209	
8	Property Taxes	12,121	_
9	Total Taxes	\$31,140	_
10	Earnings Available for Fixed Charges (L1+L4+L9)	\$160,235	=
11	Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges (L4/L10)  No four quarters ending shall be less than 175%	406.50%	=
	No jour quarters enaing snail be less than 175%		

[1] Consolidated net income less after tax earnings of subsidiaries plus cash distributions

NCUC Form G.S.-1 Capital Structure Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020 NC Rate Base Method Schedule 2 Page 1 of 3 (\$000s)

Total	Company	/ Capital	Structure

Line		Long-term	Short-term	Common	Total Capital
No.		Debt [1]	Debt	Equity [2]	[a] + [b] + [c]
		[a]	[b]	[c]	[d]
	Balance at end of:	[α]	[5]	[0]	[ω]
1	Jun-19	699,733	53,361	974,241	1,727,335
2	Jul-19	699,720	77,273	970,863	1,747,856
3	Aug-19	699,708	93,493	968,758	1,761,959
4	Sep-19	699,695	113,046	967,621	1,780,362
5	Oct-19	699,682	125,673	972,367	1,797,722
6	Nov-19	699,490	141,833	985,485	1,826,809
7	Dec-19	699,522	162,913	1,008,195	1,870,630
8	Jan-20	699,512	157,934	1,031,803	1,889,248
9	Feb-20	699,501	150,053	1,052,729	1,902,284
10	Mar-20	798,993	37,956	1,065,088	1,902,038
11	Apr-20	798,985	33,863	1,068,652	1,901,500
12	May-20	798,977	29,676	1,068,469	1,897,121
13	Jun-20	798,920	45,197	1,067,592	1,911,708
14	Total	\$9,492,437	\$1,222,271	\$13,201,863	\$23,916,571
15	13 Month Average (L14/13)	\$730,187	\$94,021	\$1,015,528	\$1,839,736
16	Capitalization Ratio	39.69%	5.11%	55.20%	100%
17	Actual Interest Accrued	\$35,827			
18	Average Embedded Cost (L17/L15)	4.91%			

<sup>[1]</sup> Long Term Debt reflects gross current maturities, less unamortized debt expense and includes operating leases

<sup>[2]</sup> PSNC received a \$70 million equity infusion from Dominion Energy in June 2019

NCUC Form G.S.-1 Capital Structure Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020 NC Rate Base Method Schedule 2 Page 2 of 3 (\$000s)

	NC Retail Capital Structure					
Line		Long-term	Short-term	Common	Total Capital	
No.		Debt	Debt [1]	Equity [2]	[a] + [b] + [c]	
		[a]	[b]	[c]	[d]	
	Balance at end of:					
1	Jun-19	699,733	53,361	764,417	1,517,511	
2	Jul-19	699,720	77,273	761,039	1,538,032	
3	Aug-19	699,708	93,493	758,934	1,552,135	
4	Sep-19	699,695	113,046	757,797	1,570,538	
5	Oct-19	699,682	125,673	762,543	1,587,898	
6	Nov-19	699,490	141,833	775,661	1,616,985	
7	Dec-19	699,522	162,913	798,371	1,660,806	
8	Jan-20	699,512	157,934	821,979	1,679,424	
9	Feb-20	699,501	150,053	842,905	1,692,460	
10	Mar-20	798,993	37,956	855,264	1,692,214	
11	Apr-20	798,985	33,863	858,828	1,691,676	
12	May-20	798,977	29,676	858,645	1,687,297	
13	Jun-20	798,920	45,197	857,768	1,701,884	
14	Total	\$9,492,437	\$1,222,271	\$10,474,151	\$21,188,859	
15	13 Month Average	\$730,187	\$94,021	\$805,704	\$1,629,912	
16	Capitalization Ratio	44.80%	5.77%	49.43%	100%	

<sup>[1]</sup> Short-term debt reflects actual short term debt

<sup>[2]</sup> Schedule 2, Page 3 of 3
Common Equity excludes Acquisition Adjustment

NCUC Form G.S.-1 NC Rate Base Method **Capital Structure** Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020

North Carolina Retail Common Equity

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		Consolidated	Exclude	Net
Line		Common	Acquisition	Common
No.	Month	Equity	Adjustment	Equity [1]
		[a]	[c]	[e]
	Balance at end of:			
1	Jun-19	974,241	(209,824)	764,417
2	Jul-19	970,863	(209,824)	761,039
3	Aug-19	968,758	(209,824)	758,934
4	Sep-19	967,621	(209,824)	757,797
5	Oct-19	972,367	(209,824)	762,543
6	Nov-19	985,485	(209,824)	775,661
7	Dec-19	1,008,195	(209,824)	798,371
8	Jan-20	1,031,803	(209,824)	821,979
9	Feb-20	1,052,729	(209,824)	842,905
10	Mar-20	1,065,088	(209,824)	855,264
11	Apr-20	1,068,652	(209,824)	858,828
12	May-20	1,068,469	(209,824)	858,645
13	Jun-20	1,067,592	(209,824)	857,768
14	Total	\$13,201,863	(\$2,727,712)	\$10,474,151

<sup>15 13</sup> Month Average

\$805,704

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(\$000s)

[1] Net Common Equity does not reflect common equity adjustments from last rate case

NCUC Form G.S.-1 Rate Base Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020 NC Rate Base Method Schedule 3 (\$000s)

			Accumulated		Misc	Lead/	Net	
Line		Plant in	<b>Provision for</b>	Deferred	Working	Lag	Regulatory	Rate Base
No.	Item	Service [1]	Depreciation [1]	Income Taxes [1]	Capital	CWC [2]	Assets	Sum [a] - [f]
		[a]	[b]	[c]	[d]	[e]	[f]	[g]
	Total Company/NC Re	etail						
	Balance at:		-					
1	Jun-19	2,545,481	(786,779)	(337,445)	(21,652)	29,528	77,652	1,506,784
2	Jul-19	2,554,505	(791,557)	(340,494)	(18,875)	29,632	79,303	1,512,515
3	Aug-19	2,560,509	(796,013)	(340,494)	(16,607)	29,702	80,893	1,517,990
4	Sep-19	2,569,571	(800,962)	(344,315)	(15,807)	29,807	82,731	1,521,026
5	Oct-19	2,580,148	(806,003)	(344,315)	(14,137)	29,930	84,467	1,530,089
6	Nov-19	2,591,054	(811,301)	(344,315)	(15,721)	30,056	86,250	1,536,024
7	Dec-19	2,659,086	(813,520)	(339,344)	(19,767)	30,845	88,620	1,605,920
8	Jan-20	2,669,743	(818,942)	(339,343)	(24,571)	30,969	89,406	1,607,262
9	Feb-20	2,674,117	(824,508)	(339,343)	(28,168)	31,020	91,158	1,604,275
10	Mar-20	2,680,443	(830,119)	(341,276)	(29,046)	31,093	92,681	1,603,775
11	Apr-20	2,686,712	(834,264)	(341,276)	(18,404)	31,166	93,523	1,617,457
12	May-20	2,692,829	(839,947)	(341,276)	(17,098)	31,237	94,684	1,620,428
13	Jun-20	2,721,750	(845,901)	(343,108)	(14,509)	31,572	96,674	1,646,478
14	Total	\$34,185,947	(\$10,599,816)	(\$4,436,346)	(\$254,361)	\$396,557	\$1,138,042	\$20,430,023
15	13 Month Average	\$2,629,688	(\$815,370)	(\$341,257)	(\$19,566)	\$30,504	\$87,542	\$1,571,540

<sup>[1]</sup> Rate Base does not reflect adjustments from last rate case

<sup>[2]</sup> Lead/Lag CWC calculated as .0116, determined at 2016 Rate Case times monthly net plant

NCUC Form G.S1	NC Rate Base Method
Income Statement	Schedule 4
Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc.	Page 1 of 2
Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020	(\$000s)

		Total
Line		Company/
No.	Item	North Carolina
		[a]
1	Operating Revenues	
2	Residential Sales	\$312,757
3	Commercial Sales [2]	114,576
4	Industrial Sales [2]	16,317
5	Public Authority Sales	0
6	Sales for Resale	0
7	Other Gas Sales	0
8	Total Sales of Gas (Sum L2 - L7)	\$443,650
9	Other Operating Revenues	
10	Gas Transportation for Others	\$64,544
11	Other Operating Revenues [3]	(\$2,846)
12	Total Gas Operating Revenues (L8 + L10 + L11)	\$505,348
13	Operating Expenses	
14	Purchased Gas	\$171,827
15	Maintenance Expense	15,376
16	Other Operating Expense [1]	92,226
		·
17	Taxes Other Than Income Taxes	17,407
18	Total Operating Expenses (Sum L14 - L17)	\$296,836
19	Depreciation and Amortization	\$72,934
20	Total Expenses and Depreciation	\$369,770
21	Operating Taxes	
22	Federal Income Tax Liability	\$26,540
23	Federal Income Tax - Deferred	(6,453)
24	Investment Tax Credit (ITC) Normalization	0
25	Amortization of ITC	0
26	Total Federal Income Taxes (Sum L22 - L25)	\$20,087
27	State Income Tax Liability	(\$727)
28	State Income Tax - Deferred	3,180
29	Total State Income Taxes	\$2,453
30	Total Operating Taxes (Sum L26 - L28)	\$22,540
31	Total Operating Expenses, Depreciation and Taxes (L30 + L20)	\$392,310
32	Net Operating Income (L12-L31)	\$113,038
	( Net of Interest on Customer Deposits)	
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<sup>[1]</sup> Includes interest on customer deposits of \$542,701 see MFR Page 4.8

<sup>[2]</sup> Revenues are categorized as commercial or industrial based on categories in Rule R6-19.2

<sup>[3]</sup> Other Operating Revenues, includes the \$3,750,000 customer refund provided for in Docket No. G-5, Sub 585

(\$000s)

Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020

Line		Total Company/
No.	ltem	North Carolina
		(a)
31	Other Income	
32	Allow for Equity Funds Used During Construction	\$4,353
33	Equity and Earnings of Subsidiary Companies	2,774
34	Interest and Dividend Income	2,576
35	Miscellaneous Income	8,969
36	Total Other Income (Sum L32 - L35)	\$18,672
37	Other Deductions	
38	Miscellaneous Income Deductions [2]	\$4,283
39	Taxes Applicable to Other Income & Deductions	(2,696)
40	Total Other Income Deductions (L38 + L39)	\$1,587
41	Interest Charges	
42	Interest on Long-term Debt	\$35,682
43	Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense	146
44	Interest on Advances from Affiliated Companies	0
45	Other Interest Expense [1]	5,435
46	Allowance for Borrowed Funds Used During Construction	(1,670)
47	Total Interest Charges (Sum L42 - L46)	\$39,593
48	Net Income Before Extraordinary and Delayed Items	\$90,531
49	Extraordinary & Delayed Items	0
50	Net Income (Loss)	\$90,531

<sup>[1]</sup> Excludes interest on customer deposits of \$542,701 see MFR Page 4.8

<sup>[2]</sup> Includes \$717,201 of charitable contributions as provided for in Docket No. G-5, Sub 585

NCUC Form G.S.-1 Financial Method
Condensed Balance Sheet Schedule 5
Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. (\$000s)
Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020

		Total
Line		Company
No.	Item	Booked
		(a)
1	Assets	
2	Gas Utility Plant in Service (excluding CWIP)	\$2,790,745
3	Less: Accum Depreciation & Amortization	\$849,287
4	Net Plant in Service	\$1,941,458
5	Plus: Materials and Supplies	49,501
6	Net Plant in Service and Materials and Supplies	\$1,990,959
7	CWIP	92,347
8	Other Assets	529,680
9	Total Assets	\$2,612,986
10	Liabilities And Member's Equity	
11	Common Equity	1,066,631
12	Long-term Debt	800,828
13	Total Capitalization (L11+L12)	\$1,867,459
14	Short-term Debt	45,197
15	Advances from Parent or Affiliate	0
16	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes	232,311
17	Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits	468,019
18	Total Liabilities	\$2,612,986

NCUC Form G.S.-1 Comparative Data Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020 NC Rate Base Method Schedule 6 Page 1 of 2 (\$000s)

Total Company,	North/	Carolina
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Test Year 12 Months Ended
December 31, 2015
End of Period After Increase
NCLIC Docket G-5, Sub 565

Actual Operations
Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020

		NCUC Docket G-5, Sub 565		Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020			
Line		Expenses as % of:			Expenses as % of:		
No.	Item	Revenue	Revenue	Expenses	Revenue	Revenue	Expenses
		[a]	[b]	[c]	[d]	[e]	[f]
1	Operating Revenues						
2	Gross Operating Revenues	\$434,446	100.00%		\$505,348	100.00%	
3	Operating Revenue Deductions						
4	Cost of Gas	\$180,388	41.52%	48.18%	\$171,827	34.00%	43.86%
5	Operating and Maintenance Expenses	101,034	23.26%	26.98%	107,059	21.19%	27.33%
6	Depreciation and Amortization	56,055	12.90%	14.97%	72,934	14.43%	18.62%
7	Taxes Other than Income Taxes	15,288	3.52%	4.08%	17,407	3.44%	4.44%
8	Taxes - State Income	2,304	0.53%	0.62%	2,453	0.49%	0.63%
9	Taxes - Federal Income	19,351	4.45%	5.17%	20,087	3.97%	5.13%
10	Total Operating Expenses	\$374,420	86.18%	100.00%	\$391,767	77.52%	100.00%
11	Interest on Customer Deposits	570	0.13%		543	0.11%	
12	Net Operating Income for Return (L2-L10-L11)	\$59,456	13.69%	:	\$113,038	22.37%	

NCUC Form G.S.-1 Comparative Data Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020 NC Rate Base Method Schedule 6 Page 2 of 2 (\$000s)

		Rate Base		
		Test Year 12-Months Ended	13-Month Average	
		December 31, 2015	<b>Actual Operations</b>	
		End of Period After Increase	12-Months Ended	
		NCUC Docket G-5, Sub 565	December 31, 2019	
Line		Total	Total	
No.	Item	Company	Company	
		[a]	[b]	
13	Gas Utility Plant in Service	\$1,839,643	\$2,629,688	
14	Less: Accumulated Provision for Depreciation	(657,141)	(815,370)	
15	Net Plant in Service (Sum of L13 & L14)	1,182,502	1,814,318	
16	Working Capital - Other	(7,817)	(19,566)	
17	Working Capital - Lead Lag [1]	13,714	30,504	
18	Deferred Regulatory Assets	0	87,542	
19	Less: Deferred Income Taxes	(241,677)	(341,257)	
20	Original Cost Rate Base (L15 thru L19)	\$946,722	\$1,571,541	

<sup>[1]</sup> O&M Expenses x 0.1349 in Rate Case

NCUC Form G.S.-1 Long-Term Debt and Interest Charges Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020 NC Rate Base Method/Financial Method Schedule 7 (\$000s)

							Interest	Interest
							<b>Booked for</b>	Annualized
							12 Months	on O/S Long-
Line	Type of Obligation	Issue	Maturity	Face	Amount	Interest	Ended	Term Debt
No.	(Bonds, Debentures, Notes, etc.)	Date	Date	Amount	Outstanding	Rate	This Report	[e] x [d]
		[a]	[b]	[c]	[d]	[e]	[f]	[g]
1	6.99% Due 2026	01/01/96	01/15/26	50,000	50,000	6.99%	3,495	3,495
2	7.45% Due 2026	12/15/96	12/15/26	50,000	50,000	7.45%	3,725	3,725
3	6.54% Due 2020	03/30/10	03/30/20	0	0	6.54%	4,887	-
4	4.59% Due 2021	02/14/11	02/14/21	150,000	150,000	4.59%	6,885	6,885
5	4.13% Due 2046	06/22/16	06/22/46	100,000	100,000	4.13%	4,130	4,130
6	4.18% Due 2047	06/30/17	06/30/47	150,000	150,000	4.18%	6,270	6,270
7	4.33% Due 2028	06/15/18	06/15/28	100,000	100,000	4.33%	4,330	4,330
8	4.05% Due 2030	03/30/20	03/30/30	200,000	200,000	4.05%	2,025	8,100
9	Total Senior Debt			\$800,000	\$800,000		35,747	36,935
10	Operating Leases	Various	Various	0	828			
11	Other LTD	Various	Various				(66)	
12	Unamortized Debt Expense, Discount, &	Premium			(1,908)		146	146
13	Current Portion of Long-Term Debt							
14	Total Long Term Debt			\$800,000	\$798,920		\$35,827	\$37,081

<sup>[1]</sup> Long Term Debt reflects a new issuance on 3/30/20 at 4.05% to replace debt retired at 6.54%

NCUC Form G.S.-1 Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020 Statistical Data Schedule 8

## Total Company/North Carolina

							Informational
					Number of Cu	ıstomers	Only
Line		Operating		Revenue per			Avg DT Usage
No.	Sales Classification	Revenues	DT's Sold	DT Sold	<b>End of Period</b>	Average	per Customer
		[a]	[b]	[c]	[d]	[e]	[f]
1	Residential	\$312,757,236	28,262,643	\$11.07	553,082	544,354	51.92
2	Commercial [1]	108,218,467	14,611,022	7.41	45,493	45,315	322.43
3	Industrial [1]	22,674,627	5,284,319	4.29	266	263	20,079.74
4	Total	\$443,650,330	48,157,984	\$9.21	598,841	589,932	81.63
5	Gas Transported for Others	\$64,543,938	71,712,864	\$0.90	418	418	171,733.06

<sup>[1]</sup> Revenues are categorized as commercial or industrial based on Rate Schedule

NCUC Form G.S.-1

NCUC Form G.S.-1 vs. NCUC Fee

Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc.

Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2020

NC Jurisdictional Revenue
Schedule 9

(\$000s)

Line			
No.	Item	Total Co	
			[a]
1	Total Revenues per Schedule 4		\$505,348
2	Exclude CIAC Gross-Up		(218)
3	Miscellaneous		7,193 [1]
4	Adjust for Recoveries in Excess of Write-Off		309
5	Uncollectibles		(1,195)
6	Revenues Subject to Fee	_	511,436
7	Regulatory Fee Rate		0.13%
8	Regulatory Fee	=	\$665
[1]	exclude refund liability Total	7,193 \$7,193	

### VERIFICATION

NORTH CAROLINA, GASTON COUNTY.

Glory J Creel, being first duly sworn, says that (i) she is Rates & Regulatory Senior Analyst for Public Service Company of North Carolina, Incorporated ("PSNC"), and, as such, she is authorized, and has been designated by PSNC, to make this proof on its behalf; (ii) she has read the foregoing application and the matters and things stated therein are true of her own knowledge, except as to those matters and things stated therein on information and belief, and as to those, she believes them to be true.

Affiant (Glory J Creel)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 2020.

Wendy A. Murphy, Notary Public

My Commission Expires: March 24, 2023

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