

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 722
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BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 722)
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In the Matter of)
Consolidated Natural Gas Construction and)
Redelivery Services Agreement Between)
Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc., and)
Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC)
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DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 781)
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In the Matter of)
Application of Piedmont Natural Gas)
Company, Inc., for an Adjustment of Rates,)
Charges, and Tariffs Applicable to Service in)
North Carolina)
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DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 786)
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In the Matter of)
Application of Piedmont Natural Gas)
Company, Inc., for Modification to Existing)
Energy Efficiency Program and Approval of)
New Energy Efficiency Programs)

ORDER GRANTING
EXTENSION

BY THE CHAIR: On September 7, 2021, on behalf of the Public Staff, the Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc. (CUCA), and Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates IV (CIGFUR IV), Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (Piedmont) filed a Stipulation of Partial Settlement (Stipulation) in the above-captioned dockets resolving many of the issues before the Commission. In pertinent part, Paragraph No. III.AA.2.a of the Stipulation states that within ten business days of filing the Stipulation:

Piedmont and the Public Staff will file with the Commission a Mechanism to (1) allow Piedmont to recover all reasonable and prudent costs incurred for adopting, implementing, and operating cost-effective EE measures and programs and (2) establish certain requirements for requests by Piedmont

for approval and continued operation of EE programs consistent with the provisions for the piloting of Piedmont's EE programs . . .

On September 21, 2021, Piedmont filed a motion for extension of time, requesting that the Commission grant a four-business day extension of the time in which it may file an agreed form of EE mechanism with the Commission as contemplated in paragraph III.AA.2.a of the Stipulation. In support of its motion, Piedmont states that Piedmont and the Public Staff are in the process of finalizing such a mechanism to comply with the Stipulation, but have not been able to finalize a mechanism at this time; that Piedmont and the Public Staff commit to filing a mechanism in compliance with Paragraph No. III.AA.2.a of the Stipulation on, or before, Monday, September 27, 2021; that the Public Staff joins Piedmont's motion for an extension of time; and that Piedmont is authorized to represent that CUCA and CIGFUR IV do not object to the motion contingent upon the preservation of their respective reservation of rights contained in the Stipulation with regard to this filing.

Based on the foregoing and the entire record herein, the Chair finds good cause to grant Piedmont's motion.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 22nd day of September, 2021.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Lindsey A. Worley, Acting Deputy Clerk