## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1174

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## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, for Approval of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-69

- ORDER SCHEDULING
- ) ADDITIONAL PUBLIC
- ) HEARING AND REQUIRING
- ) PUBLIC NOTICE

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On June 20, 2018, Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP) filed its application in the above-captioned docket for recovery of costs incurred by DEP in providing demand-side management (DSM) and energy efficiency (EE) measures pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-133.9. This statute provides for an annual DSM/EE rider for each electric public utility to recover all reasonable and prudent costs incurred for adoption and implementation of new DSM and new EE measures and appropriate incentives. The DSM/EE rider proposed by DEP in this proceeding would be effective for service rendered on and after January 1, 2019.

On July 2, 2018, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Filing of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Public Notice (Scheduling Order). The Scheduling Order, among other things, scheduled a public hearing in this matter for Tuesday, September 18, 2018, in Raleigh, North Carolina. In addition, pursuant to Commission Rule R8-70(f) DEP was required to publish notice of the hearing date, time and the proposed change in DSM/EE rates.

In its application and required public notice, DEP stated specific per kilowatt-hour (kWh) or kilowatt (kW) amounts, as applicable, for its proposed DSM/EE rates. On September 10, 2018, DEP filed additional testimony and exhibits in this docket. In its additional testimony, DEP states that based on the Public Staff's audit of DEP's proposed rates and additional necessary adjustments, DEP requests a decrease in the residential rates initially included in DEP's application, and an increase in the general service rates initially included in DEP's application.

Also on September 10, 2018, 2018, DEP filed a Motion for Additional Public Hearing and Public Notice of Revised Proposed Rates. In summary, DEP requests that the Commission schedule an additional public hearing in this docket concerning the change in rates proposed by DEP, and that the Commission require DEP to publish notice of the date and time of the hearing and DEP's modified DSM/EE rates. Based on the foregoing and the record herein, the Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to schedule an additional public hearing in this docket. Further, the Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to require that DEP publish the Public Notice attached hereto as Attachment A providing notice of the additional public hearing.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That an additional public hearing in this docket shall be, and is hereby, scheduled to be held immediately following the public hearing in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1176, which is scheduled at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, October 8, 2018, in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina, for the purpose of considering the annual DSM/EE cost recovery proceeding for DEP.

2. That DEP shall publish the Public Notice attached hereto as Appendix A in a newspaper or newspapers having general circulation in its service area once a week for two successive weeks, the first publication of which shall occur at least 15 days prior to the hearing.

3. That DEP shall file affidavits of publication on or before the date of the hearing.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled an additional public hearing in the above-captioned docket on an application filed by Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP) for the recovery of costs incurred by DEP in providing demand-side management (DSM) and energy efficiency (EE) measures pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-133.9. This statute provides for an annual DSM/EE rider for each electric public utility to recover all reasonable and prudent costs incurred for adoption and implementation of new DSM and new EE measures and appropriate incentives. The public hearing has been scheduled to begin immediately following the public hearing in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1176, which is scheduled at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, October 8, 2018, in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. Public witness testimony will be received in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g).

On June 20, 2018, DEP filed its application to revise its DSM/EE rates. On July 2, 2018, the Commission issued a Scheduling Order that, among other things, scheduled a public hearing in this matter for Tuesday, September 18, 2018, in Raleigh, North Carolina. In addition, pursuant to Commission Rule R8-69 DEP was required to publish notice of the hearing date, time, and proposed change in DSM/EE rates.

In its application and required public notice, DEP stated an approximate revenue requirement increase and the increases per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for its proposed DSM/EE rates. On September 10, 2018, DEP filed additional testimony and exhibits in this docket. In its additional testimony, DEP states that based on the Public Staff's audit of DEP's proposed rates and additional necessary adjustments, DEP requests a decrease in the residential rates initially included in DEP's application, and an increase in the general service rates initially included in DEP's application.

According to DEP's additional testimony and exhibits, DEP requests a total annual revenue increase of approximately \$29.2 million compared to the DSM/EE rates currently in effect. This request would result in an increase of 0.034 cents per kWh for residential customers. Non-residential General Service customers, depending upon their participation in DEP's DSM or EE programs, would see a DSM rider increase of 0.004 cents per kWh,

and an EE rider increase of 0.238 cents per kWh. Lighting customers would see an EE rider decrease of 0.006 cents per kWh. Industrial and large commercial customers that have, under N.C.G.S. 62-133.9, opted out of and never participated in DEP's DSM and EE programs are not subject to the rider.

The proposed DSM/EE rates for all customer classes would be effective for service rendered on and after January 1, 2019.

Further information may be obtained from the Office of the Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina, where a copy of DEP's application is available for review by the public. Also, documents may be viewed on the Commission's website at <u>www.ncuc.net</u>.

The Public Staff is authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Correspondence concerning DEP's JAAR proceeding and the additional hearing scheduled thereon should be directed to the Public Staff. Written statements to the Public Staff should include any information that the writers wish to be considered by the Public Staff in its investigation of the matter. Such statements should be addressed to Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff, 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4326.

The Attorney General is also authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Statements to the Attorney General should be addressed to The Honorable Josh Stein, Attorney General, c/o Consumer Protection-Utilities, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-9001.

Consumers may also file written statements of position with the Commission. However, written statements are not evidence unless the writers appear at a public hearing and testify concerning the information contained in their written statements.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk