### **BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION**

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In the Matter of

Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, 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 DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1249

### DIRECT TESTIMONY AND EXHIBITS OF

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### **ON BEHALF OF**

### THE NORTH CAROLINA JUSTICE CENTER, NORTH CAROLINA HOUSING COALITION, AND SOUTHERN ALLIANCE FOR CLEAN ENERGY

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### I. Introduction and Qualifications

### PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, POSITION AND BUSINESS ADDRESS. 2 0. 3 My name is Forest Bradley-Wright. I am the Energy Efficiency Director for A. 4 Southern Alliance for Clean Energy ("SACE"), and my business address is 3804 5 Middlebrook Pike, Knoxville, Tennessee. 6 **Q**. **ON WHOSE BEHALF ARE YOU TESTIFYING IN THIS PROCEEDING?** 7 I am testifying on behalf of SACE, the North Carolina Justice Center ("NC Justice A. 8 Center"), and the North Carolina Housing Coalition ("NC Housing Coalition"). 9 **QUALIFICATIONS O**. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR AND WORK 10 **EXPERIENCE.** 11 I graduated from Tulane University in 2001 and in 2013 received my Master of A. 12 Arts degree from Tulane in Latin America Studies with an emphasis on 13 international development, sustainability, and natural resource planning. 14 My work experience in the energy sector began in 2001 at Shell International 15 Exploration and Production Company, where I served as Sustainable Development Team Facilitator. 16 17 From 2005 to 2018, I worked for the Alliance for Affordable Energy. As the 18 Senior Policy Director, I represented the organization through formal intervenor 19 filings and before regulators at both the Louisiana Public Service Commission and 20 the New Orleans City Council on issues such as integrated resource planning, 21 energy-efficiency rulemaking and program design, rate cases, utility acquisition, 22 power plant certifications, net metering, and utility scale renewables. As a

- consultant, I also prepared and filed intervenor comments on renewable energy
   dockets before the Mississippi and Alabama Public Service Commissions.
- Since 2018, I have been the Energy Efficiency Director for SACE. In this role, I am responsible for leading dialogue with utilities and regulatory officials on issues related to energy efficiency in resource planning, program design, budgets, and cost recovery. This takes the form of formal testimony, comments, presentations, and/or informal meetings in the states of Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Mississippi and in jurisdictions under the Tennessee Valley Authority. A copy of my resume is included as Exhibit FBW-1.

# 10 Q. HAVE YOU BEEN AN EXPERT WITNESS ON ENERGY-EFFICIENCY 11 MATTERS BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES 12 COMMISSION?

A. Yes, I filed expert witness testimony in response to Duke Energy Carolina's
("DEC") DSM/EE Recovery Rider 11 in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1192, Duke Energy
Progress' ("DEP") DSM/EE Recovery Rider 11 in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1206,
DEC's DSM/EE Recovery Rider 12 in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1230, and DEP's
DSM/EE Recovery Rider 12 in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1252.

## 18 Q. HAVE YOU BEEN AN EXPERT WITNESS ON ENERGY-EFFICIENCY 19 MATTERS BEFORE OTHER REGULATORY COMMISSIONS?

- 20 A. Yes, I have filed expert witness testimony in Georgia related to Georgia Power
- 21 Company's 2019 Demand Side Management application and in the five-year
- 22 energy efficiency goal setting proceeding before the Florida Public Service
- 23 Commission in 2019 for Florida Power & Light, Gulf Power, Duke Energy Florida,
- 24 Jacksonville Electric Authority and Orlando Utilities Commission.

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### II. <u>Summary of Recommendations</u>

### 2 Q. WHAT RECOMMENDATIONS DO YOU HAVE FOR DEC?

Work in good faith with members of the Collaborative to produce a plan how
 best to exceed 1% annual savings in each of the next six years, to be periodically
 updated and presented to the Commission as an appendix to future DEC DSM/EE
 Rider applications.

Quantify and analyze the carbon savings associated with DEC's DSM/EE
 portfolio both to help inform the work of the Collaborative, and to enable the
 Commission and other interested parties to track the impact of DSM/EE
 resources towards achieving North Carolina's and Duke Energy's respective
 carbon reduction goals.

Quantify and analyze the energy savings associated with the Durham Pilot
 program and work with the Collaborative to take the lessons learned to evaluate
 opportunities to modify or design new programs to assist low-income customers
 achieve deep energy savings.

- Expeditiously finalize the evaluation and development of program
   recommendations proposed by Collaborative members for direct implementation
   or submission of program applications to the Commission for approval.
- Work towards a target that 100% of projects applying for Low-Income Housing
   Tax Credit (LIHTC) in its service territory are reviewed to identify relevant
   DSM/EE program offerings, then report on an annual basis the number of LIHTC
   applications reviewed, the conversion rate for participation by these projects, and
   through which program.
- Continue to focus on capturing additional measures that are capable of achieving
   deeper and longer-lived savings to maintain a more balanced and robust program
   portfolio going forward.
- Increase its low-income efficiency program budget and work with the
   Collaborative on setting new budget and savings targets for its income-qualified
   programs to be reported to the Commission in its next DSM/EE Recovery Rider
   filing.

# 1Q. WHAT RECOMMENDATIONS DO YOU HAVE FOR THE2COMMISSION?

- Direct DEC to develop and submit to the Commission a supplemental filing in
   this docket indicating how the Company would achieve the 30.4 GWh<sup>1</sup> savings
   required to close the gap between DEC's projected 0.96% annual savings in 2022
   up to the 1% annual savings target.
- Direct DEC to work in good faith with members of the Collaborative to produce
  a plan how best to exceed 1% annual savings in each of the next six years, to be
  periodically updated and presented to the Commission as an appendix to future
  DEC DSM/EE Rider applications.
- Direct DEC to quantify and analyze the carbon savings associated with DEC's
   DSM/EE portfolio both to help inform the work of the Collaborative, and to
   enable the Commission and other interested parties to track the impact of
   DSM/EE resources towards achieving North Carolina's and Duke Energy's
   respective carbon reduction goals.
- Authorize DEC to proceed with its proposed study to evaluate market penetration
   of its non-income qualified programs with low- and moderate-income customers.
- Direct DEC to resume including a table comparing the past performance of its
   DSM/EE portfolios' costs and savings (as ordered in 2019) and to add forecasted
   versus actually achieved kWh savings in that table: "That DEC shall include in its
   future DSM/EE applications a table that shows DEC's test period DSM/EE costs and
   savings, and that same information for the previous five years."

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### III. DEC's 2020 Energy Savings Performance

## 24Q.HOW DID DEC'S DSM/EE PERFORMANCE IN 2020 COMPARE TO25PREVIOUS YEARS?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> At the meter

A. DEC reported a marked decline in energy savings in 2020, resulting from social
 distancing restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Despite lower performance
 in 2020 compared to previous years, DEC is to be commended for proactively
 adjusting its approach in the face of unprecedented challenges.

5 In 2020, DEC delivered 612.2 GWh of efficiency savings at the meter, equal to 6 0.76% of the previous year's retail sales. This reflects a nearly 25% decline in total 7 savings from the previous year when the Company reported 0.98% annual 8 efficiency savings. Despite the extraordinary backdrop of the COVID-19 9 pandemic, 2020 marks a disappointing second year in a row where the Company's 10 DSM/EE activities fell below the 1% savings mark, a threshold that the Company 11 has agreed to work towards.

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 Table 1. Duke Energy Carolinas DSM/EE Performance 2017-2020

Vintage Year	2017	2018	2019	2020
At Meter Savings (GWh)	880 <sup>2</sup>	811.2 <sup>3</sup>	794.9 <sup>4</sup>	612.25
Previous Year Variance (%)	-	(7.8%)	(2.0%)	(23.0%)

### 13 Q. HOW DID DEC'S DSM/EE PERFORMANCE COMPARE TO ITS 14 PROJECTIONS FOR 2020?

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> DEC Response to SACE Data Request, Item Number 2-2 in Duke Energy Carolinas DSM/EE Rider Docket (E-7, Sub 1192) (Attached as Exhibit FBW-2)
 <sup>3</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> DEC Response to SACE Data Request, Item Number 1-14 in Duke Energy Carolinas DSM/EE Rider Docket (E-7, Sub 1230) (Attached as Exhibit FBW-3)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> DEC Response to SACE Data Request, Item Number 1-18 in Duke Energy Carolinas DSM/EE Rider Docket (E-7, Sub 1249) (Attached as Exhibit FBW-4)

1 In DEC's DSM/EE Rider 11 filing, the Company projected annual energy savings A. 2 equal to 0.84% or the prior-year's retails sales, despite having reported higher actual savings in each of the preceding three years, including 1.11% in 2017 and 3 1.05% in 2018. Because those projections preceded the COVID-19 pandemic and 4 5 the lockdowns it precipitated, they understandably did not take those unanticipated 6 circumstances into account. Ultimately, DEC's portfolio of programs achieved 7 approximately 93.5% of its projections for 2020, only moderately lower than expected. The difference between the Company's DSM/EE performance and the 8 9 Company's own projections is show below in Table 2.

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### Table 2. DEC Projected vs. Actual Savings<sup>6</sup>

Year	Projected Savings (GWh)	Actual Savings (GWh)	Actual to Projected Variance (%)
2017	608.0 <sup>7</sup>	934.4 <sup>8</sup>	53.7%
2018	816.5 <sup>9</sup>	886.7 <sup>10</sup>	8.5%
2019	781.411	858.0 <sup>12</sup>	9.8%
2020	694.9 <sup>13</sup>	650.2 <sup>14</sup>	(6.5%)
2021	760.2 <sup>15</sup>		
2022	814.316		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> DEC reports energy savings and projections as "Net at Plan" or at the generator level.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Supplemental Evans Exhibit 1, Page 8 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1105

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Evans Exhibit 1, Page 1 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1249

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Supplemental Evans Exhibit 1, Page 4 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, SUB 1130

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Evans Exhibit 1, Page 2 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1249

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Evans Exhibit 1, Page 5 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1164

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Evans Exhibit 1, Page 3 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1249

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Evans Exhibit 1, Page 5 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1192

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Evans Exhibit 1, Page 4 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1249

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Evans Exhibit 1, Page 4 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1230

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Evans Exhibit 1, Page 5 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1249

Historically, DEC's projections have nearly always underestimated its actual
energy savings. Prior to 2018, it was common for DEC's projections to be 30-40%
or more below actual performance, though in recent years the difference has been
less than 10%. The comparison is still useful for highlighting that in 2020 the
Company's projections were conservative enough that they were nearly achievable
even during a global pandemic.

### 7 Q. AT A HIGH LEVEL, WHAT IMPLICATIONS DID THE COVID-19 8 PANDEMIC HAVE FOR DEC'S DSM/EE PERFORMANCE IN 2020?

9 A. DEC performed better than many other major utilities in the region, as discussed
in greater detail below. This was in part because DEC was among the first utilities
in the Southeast to implement new safety protocols enabling it to resume in-home
energy efficiency services. Again, DEC is to be commended for how it responded
to the pandemic, which indicates a level of commitment, flexibility, and initiative
that will serve the Company well if it accepts the challenge of again meeting and
surpassing the savings target of 1% of prior-year retail sales.

### 16 Q. WAS THE COMPANY'S EE PORTFOLIO COST-EFFECTIVE IN 2020?

A. Yes. The value of DSM/EE programs continued to be cost effective and delivered
impressive financial value to customers during the pandemic. In 2020, DEC's
DSM/EE portfolio had a Utility Cost Test ("UCT") score of 2.96 and a Total
Resource Cost ("TRC") score of 2.81, similar to cost effectiveness in 2019.<sup>17</sup> The

<sup>21</sup> total net present value ("NPV") of avoided costs in 2020 decreased at a level

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Duke Energy Carolinas Response to SACE Data Request, Item Number 1-4 in Duke Energy Carolinas DSM/EE Rider Docket (E-7, Sub 1249) (Attached as Exhibit FBW-5)

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roughly proportional to declines in total kWh saved, but still amounted to approximately \$328 million of financial benefit for customers.<sup>18</sup>

### 3Q.HOW DID DEC'S RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM PERFORMANCE4COMPARE TO TOTAL SAVINGS IN 2020?

5 Residential programs have made up the majority of savings in DEC's portfolio for A. the past several years and in 2020 represented 72% of all savings.<sup>19</sup> One residential 6 7 program, My Home Energy Report (MyHER), made up over half of DEC's total 8 savings in 2020 at 51% of reported system energy reductions. As we have 9 expressed numerous times in previous years, we are concerned by DEC's heavy 10 reliance on a program with such limited measure life persistence to make up the bulk of its DSM/EE portfolio savings. This concern was further heightened by the 11 12 Market Potential Study DEC submitted to the Commission in its most recent IRP. 13 We urge the Company to continue to focus on capturing additional measures that 14 are capable of achieving deeper and longer-lived savings to maintain a more balanced and robust program portfolio going forward.<sup>20</sup> These measures should 15 16 include adding to or modifying programs that target the largest residential end uses 17 of electricity – such as space heating & cooling and water heating.

## 18 Q. HOW DID DEC'S NON-RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM PERFORMANCE 19 COMPARE TO TOTAL SAVINGS IN 2020?

A. In 2020, DEC's non-residential programs made up just 28% of total energy
 efficiency savings.<sup>21</sup> Even pre-pandemic, DEC demonstrated a troubling trend of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Evans Exhibit 1, Page 4 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1249

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Testimony of Forest Bradley-Wright on Behalf of the North Carolina Justice Center and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, N.C.U.C. Docket No. E-7, Sub 1192 (May 20, 2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Evans Exhibit 1, Page 4 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1249

being unable to meet projections for non-residential programs and falling savings
among commercial & industrial customers. DEC's non-residential efficiency
program savings declined 37% from the previous year, a substantially sharper drop
than was seen for residential programs most likely resulting from the economic
decline brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic.

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### Q. WHAT EFFECT DO COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL OPT OUTS HAVE ON PERCENT OF ENERGY SAVINGS?

8 Commercial and industrial opt outs continue to negatively impact DEC's ability to A. 9 reach higher savings benchmarks due to this group's large share of energy 10 consumption. In 2020, approximately 61.6% of DEC's commercial and industrial 11 energy consumption opted out of the utility's energy efficiency offerings (29,277 GWh out of 47,543 GWh of DEC's non-residential retail sales).<sup>22</sup> Customers that 12 13 opt out withhold their proportionate share of funding for DEC's energy efficiency 14 programs, and do not contribute to the utility's energy efficiency savings. This is 15 unfortunate for many reasons, including that commercial and industrial energy 16 efficiency are frequently among the lowest cost source per kWh saved. Such 17 programs also tend to yield saving at a scale that leads to substantially reduced 18 costs for participating customers and the utility system as a whole. As noted in my 19 testimony for DEC's DSM/EE Rider 12 last year, "While I recognize that 20 commercial and industrial customers who opt-out also certify that they have 21 implemented their own energy-efficiency or demand-side management measures,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Duke Energy Carolinas Response to SACE Data Request, Item Number 1-19 in NCUC Docket E-7, Sub 1249 (Attached as Exhibit FBW-6)

there is no requirement to report any resulting savings to the Company or the Commission and nothing in DEC's filing indicates the extent to which such savings are occurring. As a result, actual savings among customers who opt out of DEC's efficiency programs may be much lower than presumed." This gap in reporting persists.

### 6 Q. IS IT REASONABLE TO INCLUDE DEC OPT-OUT CUSTOMERS IN A 7 PERCENTAGE OF RETAIL SALES CALCULATION?

8 A. Yes. By calculating energy savings compared to all retail sales, the Commission
9 may observe the effect of the efficiency portfolio against actual customer energy
10 consumption in a year.

### 11 Q. HOW DID DEC'S LOW-INCOME EFFICIENCY IMPACTS COMPARE TO 12 PREVIOUS YEARS?

13 DEC's low-income efficiency programs were negatively impacted to a A. 14 considerable degree by the COVID-19 pandemic. In 2020, energy saved in the 15 DEC Low-Income Energy Efficiency and Weatherization Assistance program decreased by 75%,<sup>23</sup> making it one of the hardest-hit programs. Unfortunately, this 16 17 reduction in energy saving services came at a time when the low-income customer 18 segment that DEC serves was facing the hardest economic circumstances in recent 19 history. Likewise, the Multi-Family Energy Efficiency program, which has some 20 degree of overlap with the low-income customer segment, was similarly impacted 21 with an 81% savings reduction in 2020. Both of these programs experienced about

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Duke Energy Carolinas Response to SACE Data Request, Item Number 1-21 in NCUC Docket E-7, Sub 1249 (Attached as Exhibit FBW-7).

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- 1 twice the level of negative impact as general residential programs, while short-
- 2 lived measures in the MyHER program experienced a very slight uptick.
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Table 5. DEC Savings	DV Residentiai	Customer / 1	rogram ivde-

Customer/Program Type	2018 GWh	2019 GWh	2020 GWh	% Change 2019-2020
Income-Qualified	6.8	8.8	2.2	-75%
Multi-Family	21.0	21.3	4.0	-81%
General Residential	214.8	209.8	130.2	-38%
My Home Energy Report	344.8	328.4	332.1	1%
All Residential Programs	587.4	568.4	468.5	-18%

### IV. **Issues and Recommendations Regarding Duke's 2022 Savings Forecast** 4

### 5 WHAT LEVEL OF SAVINGS DOES DEC PROJECT FOR 2022? **Q**.

- 6 DEC projects that it will achieve approximately 766.7 GWh of energy savings at A.
- 7 the meter in 2022.  $^{25}$

### 8 DOES THIS REFLECT A DECLINE FROM DEC'S PREVIOUS SAVINGS **Q**. **PERFORMANCE?** 9

- 10 Yes, it reflects a slight decline and would also fall short of the 1% savings A.
- 11 benchmark. DEC's 2022 forecast of 766.7 GWh of energy savings would lead to
- an estimated 0.96% of prior-year retail sales,<sup>26</sup> compared to 0.98% in 2019,<sup>27</sup> 12
- 1.05% in 2018,<sup>28</sup> and for 2017 DEC reported 880 GWh of savings for 1.11% of 13

<sup>26</sup> Duke Energy Carolinas Response to SACE Data Request, Item Number 1-18 in Duke Energy

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Evans Exhibit 1, Page 4 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1249

Carolinas DSM/EE Rider Docket (E-7, Sub 1249) (Attached as Exhibit FBW-4)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Duke Energy Carolinas Response to SACE Data Request, Item Number 1-14 in Duke Energy

Carolinas DSM/EE Rider Docket (E-7, Sub 1230) (Attached as Exhibit FBW-3)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Duke Energy Carolinas Response to SACE Data Request, Item Number 2-2 in Duke Energy Carolinas DSM/EE Rider Docket (E-7, Sub 1192) (Attached as Exhibit FBW-2)

1		prior-year retail sales. <sup>29</sup> Taken from the recent peak in 2017, DEC is projecting a
2		13% decline in saving for 2022.
3 4	Q.	WHAT HAVE THE COMMISSION'S ORDERS IN PAST DEC DSM/EE RIDERS SAID ON THE SUBJECT OF SAVINGS DECLINES?
5	A.	In both 2019 and 2020, the Commission indicated its concern with DEC's
6		projected savings declines. The Commission found in its October 18, 2019 Final
7		Order in DEC's DSM/EE Rider 11 proceeding in Docket No. E-7, Sub 1192 that:
8 9 10 11 12		In particular, the Commission notes the forecasted decline in DEC's DSM/EE savings in 2020 and concludes that it would be helpful to have the Collaborative examine the reasons for the forecasted decline, and explore options for preventing or correcting a decline in future DSM/EE savings.
13		The following year, the Commission reiterated its concern in its December 11,
14		2020 Final Order in DEC's DSM/EE Rider 11 proceeding in Docket No. E-7, Sub
15		1230, stating:
16 17 18 19 20		The forecasted decline in DEC's DSM/EE savings in 2021 is a matter of concern. Consequently, the Collaborative should examine the reasons for the forecasted decline and continue exploring options for preventing or correcting a decline in future DSM/EE savings.
21 22 23 24	Q.	HAS THE COLLABORATIVE WORKED TO EXAMINE THE REASONS FOR THE FORECASTED DECLINE AND EXPLORED OPTIONS FOR PREVENTING OR CORRECTING A DECLINE IN FUTURE DSM/EE SAVINGS?
25	A.	Yes. Understanding and preventing savings declines continues to be one of the
26		most frequently raised issues for discussion at the Collaborative.

<sup>29</sup> Id.

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In 2019, the Collaborative prioritized exploring portfolio level opportunities and challenges and produced a summary report highlighting a range of program and policy opportunities to increase savings. Reflecting the perspective of many clean energy and customer advocacy organizations that participate in the Collaborative, the report also affirmed a continued desire to see Duke sustain annual savings in excess of 1% of retail sales. It also identified several other complimentary performance targets.

8 In 2020, SACE, NCJC, and others efficiency advocates in the Collaborative 9 shifted focus towards development of specific program recommendations detailed 10 below that could help to prevent savings declines and return to sustained annual 11 savings levels in excess of 1% of retail sales.

12 In 2021, SACE, NCJC, and other stakeholders at the Collaborative are 13 seeking to build on this past work, but have shifted towards development of a more 14 specific and actionable plan. It is intended that this plan will quantifying the 15 number of kWh savings needed to close the 1% savings gap. This analysis will be 16 paired with a combination of program recommendations and potential changes to 17 policies and practices sufficient to overcome the savings gap. Accordingly, each of 18 these individual opportunities will be evaluated for their expected future savings 19 contributions, then added together and measured against the savings gap. The aim 20 is for the plan to include enough new savings opportunities to exceed 1% annual 21 savings for over the next six years, with sufficient redundancy and flexibility to 22 achieve the goal even if not every individual component is implemented. To be

successful, this work will require Duke representatives and Collaborative
stakeholders working diligently together in good faith to research, problem solve,
and propose a set of recommendations that will reflect our best thinking for how
higher levels of efficiency savings are to be achieved and sustained.

5 It would seem that such a plan would be particularly attainable for Duke 6 Energy Carolinas, which (notwithstanding the 2020 pandemic year) has already 7 delivered savings very near or above 1% for several years. Moreover, in this 8 proceeding it is projecting savings for 2022 that fall only 0.04% short of the goal. 9 It is reasonable to expect the Company to close this gap with a little focused effort 10 and collaboration with encouragement from the Commission.

# Q. HAS DEC PROVIDED AN EXPLANATION FOR ITS PROJECTED EFFICIENCY SAVING DECLINES, AS REQUESTED IN DEC RIDER DOCKET E-7, SUB 1230?

A. Witness Evans' testimony touched on the subject, though the response was quite
brief and lacked detail. For instance, a general reference was made to note that
Collaborative stakeholders have provided program recommendations, but no
indication was given regarding the steps DEC is taking toward implementing those
recommendations. Even more notable was the lack of any statements indicating
whether or how DEC aims to reverse its declines and return to the higher savings
levels it achieved in 2017, 2018, and 2019.

DEC is forecasting savings for 2022 that are higher than it projected in Rider 12 for 2021 (0.96% of retail sales vs. 0.89%, respectively). This is directionally encouraging, but still disappointing, because the 2022 forecast is so close to the

- 1 1% target that continues to be a highly emphasized priority (and has been for many
- 2 years) for many Collaborative participants.

# Q. IF DEC IS PRESENTING A CONSERVATIVE FORECAST IN ITS ANNUAL RIDER FILINGS, IS THERE STILL VALUE IN SHOWING HOW IT WOULD ACHIEVE HIGHER SAVINGS LEVELS?

- 6 A. Yes, it would be better if DEC would acknowledge in its DSM/EE Rider filings
- 7 that the Commission, as well as NCJC, et. al. and member of the Collaborative,
- 8 will be comparing the Company's 2022 savings forecast with its performance in
- 9 past years, as well as the 1% annual savings target. Additionally, DEC could state
- 10 its intent to strive for these higher levels, while indicating what course of action it
- 11 believes would enable to successfully achieve those more ambitious goals.

## Q. SHOULD THE COMMISSION ASSESS DEC'S PERFORMANCE IN COMPARISON TO A 1% ANNUAL SAVINGS TARGET?

A. Yes. The 1% annual savings target continues to be relevant for public policy
purposes for several reasons. Notably, research suggests that energy efficiency
savings trend higher in jurisdictions that have enacted savings targets.<sup>30</sup> A 1%
annual savings target was also a key outcome of settlement negotiations in the
merger between Duke and Progress Energy.<sup>31</sup> As noted above, in DEC's DSM/EE
Rider Docket proceeding both last year and the year before the Commission

https://www.aceee.org/sites/default/files/publications/researchreports/u1905.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> See Gold, *et.al.*, *Next-Generation Energy Efficiency Resource Standards*, American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (August 2019), available at:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> The Merger Settlement with SACE, South Carolina Coastal Conservation League, and Environmental Defense Fund calls for annual energy savings of at least 1% of prior-year retail sales beginning in 2015 and cumulative savings of at least 7% over the period from 2014 through 2018. The Merger Settlement was approved by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("PSCSC") in Docket No. 2011-158-E ("Merger Settlement").

1	indicated its interest in DEC correcting declines from previous years savings,
2	which were in excess of 1% in 2017, 2018, and fell just short of 1% in 2019.

The Commission has also indicated its desire that Duke and stakeholders at the Collaborative work towards reaching higher levels of savings. To this end, a large number of clean energy and public interest advocates have contributed considerable amounts of time to this work at the Collaborative, while making clear that the 1% threshold is important to their participation in these efforts.

8 All of these factors speak to the continued relevance of the 1% annual savings9 threshold.

# Q. HOW DOES THE COMMISSION'S 2020 ORDER CONCERNING DUKE'S DSM/EE COST RECOVERY MECHANISM IN DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 1032 RELATE TO THE 1% ANNUAL SAVINGS TARGET?

13 The 1% target was also a key feature of the recently approved Settlement A. 14 Agreement negotiated between DEC, Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP"), the 15 Natural Resources Defense Council ("NRDC"), SACE, Sierra Club, South 16 Carolina Coastal Conservation League ("SCCCL"), North Carolina Sustainable 17 Energy Association ("NCSEA"), and the North Carolina Attorney General's Office 18 ("AGO"), (collectively the "Joint Parties"). That agreement was approved by the 19 Commission in October 2020, and its provisions go into effect for the first time in 20 2022.

21 The Commission order modifies the mechanism by which Duke's energy 22 efficiency performance incentives are set, including establishing additional

incentives related to the Company's ability to reach the 1% savings target.<sup>32</sup> The 1 2 Company will receive an additional incentive of \$500,000 for any year during the four-year period of 2022-2025 where it achieves 1% of prior-year retail sales from 3 4 efficiency. The Commission indicates that the purpose of the incentive is "to 5 motivate the Company to aggressively pursue savings from cost-effective EE and 6 DSM Program." In addition to establishing the incentive, the Commission also 7 directed the Collaborative to "study ways to implement a step approach to this type 8 of incentive/penalty structure to potentially achieve even greater annual energy 9 savings."

10 Another significant change to the Duke Mechanism was made by changing 11 the primary cost effectiveness test used in screening program offerings from the 12 Total Resource Cost test to the Utility Cost Test. This change will help to better 13 value efficiency benefits for inclusion in DEC's DSM/EE portfolio and should 14 directly assist Duke to expand its overall efficiency savings. Though no longer the 15 primary cost test, the TRC will continue to be evaluated for informational purposes, 16 and DEC is now working with the Collaborative to undertake a study of non-energy 17 benefits (NEBs) that could result in more complete / and accurate accounting of 18 benefits for this test in the future.

Notably, however, between the time the Stipulating Parties submitted their
Settlement Agreement and the Commission issued its Final Order, DEC completed

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Order Approving Revisions to Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Mechanisms, NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1032 (October 20, 2020).

its Market Potential Study using the now outdated TRC test (without accounting
for NEBs), rather than using the UCT. For this, and other reasons DEC's IRP
appears to have significantly understated the amount of available cost-effective
DSM/EE. Ultimately, it is important that the DSM/EE Rider and the IRP both fully
reflect the full range of available cost-effective energy efficiency and demand
response resources so that goals like reaching and exceeding 1% annual efficiency
savings can be realized.

### 8 Q. HAS DEC RECENTLY FILED ANY ENERGY DSM/EE PROGRAM 9 APPLICATIONS WITH THE COMMISSION?

A: Yes. On February 25th, 2020, DEC submitted separate applications to add new
 measures to its Neighborhood Energy Saver and Residential Home Assessment
 programs. On August 25th, 2020 DEC submitted an application to modify its
 Residential Power Manager Load Control Service program to add a "smart"
 thermostat-based Winter-Focused load control option. Each of these programs was
 subsequently approved by the Commission.

On August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020, DEC submitted an application for approval of
 modifications to its Small Business Energy Saver program to expand customer
 eligibility criteria and implement a new program delivery channel called
 SmartPath<sup>TM</sup>, which was subsequently approved by the Commission.

20 On September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020, DEC submitted an application for approval of a 21 proposed Residential New Construction program. My understanding is this 22 proposal is still awaiting a decision by the Commission.

1	On February 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2021 DEC submitted an application seeking approval to
1	On reordary 5, 2021, DEC submitted an application seeking approval to
2	include additional discounted measures in its Multi-Family Energy Efficiency
3	Program, which was subsequently approved by the Commission.
4 5	Q. IS DEC CONSIDERING PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS SUBMITTED BY COLLABORATIVE STAKEHOLDERS?
6	A. Over the past two years, stakeholders at the Collaborative have submitted several
7	program proposals for Duke's consideration, including:
8	• Energy Star Retail Products Platform (January 2019)
9	• Program Savings from Building Codes and Standards (January 2019)
10	• Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) (March 2019)
11	• Residential Low-Income Single Family Heat Pump Water Heater Rental
12	Program (June 2020)
13	• Non-Residential Multifamily Heat Pump Water Heater Rebate Program (June
14	2020)
15	• Manufactured Homes Retrofit Program (August 2020)
16	• Manufactured Home New and Replacement Programs (August 2020)
17	For each of the above program recommendations, the sponsoring stakeholder
18	prepared supporting materials and presented them to the Collaborative, after which
19	Duke took them for internal review and consideration. But there has been little
20	visible action towards implementing these recommendations and Duke has yet to
21	submit a program application to the Commission for approval based on any of the
22	recommendations provided by members of the Collaborative.
23	Though it has not been developed into a discrete program offering, the
24	recommendation that Duke appears to have done the most to advance concerns

1	connecting projects receiving an allocation of Low-Income Housing Tax Credits
2	(LIHTC) with the Company's DSM/EE program offerings. DEC reports that there
3	are nine LIHTC projects currently in the pipeline with status listed as Contract
4	Approval. Combined these are expected to yield savings of 2.6 GWh. This is
5	constructive progress that points to even more savings potential. In 2020, the North
6	Carolina Housing Finance Agency awarded forty-two 9% LIHTC projects and an
7	additional twenty-four tax-exempt bond projects. South Carolina Housing awarded
8	seventeen 9% LIHTC projects in 2020.33 The LIHTC program provides a reliable,
9	annual pipeline of projects available for energy efficiency investments. In the near
10	future, I encourage Duke to work towards a target that 100% of projects applying
11	for LIHTC in its service territory are reviewed to identify relevant DSM/EE
12	program offerings, then report on an annual basis the number of LIHTC
13	applications reviewed, the conversion rate for participation by these projects, and
14	through which program. To do so, DEC should work with the state housing finance
15	agencies to ensure all LIHTC projects move through its DSM/EE program
16	offerings, without it depending on individual project administrators having to
17	become aware of and initiate the process from their end.

As time goes on, I have observed increasing frustration among Collaborative members at the slow progress and ambiguity surrounding Duke's decision-making process. The lack of action on most of the recommendation above leaves

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> available at: https://www.schousing.com/Home/HousingTaxCredits

1 stakeholders wondering what to expect between the time of program 2 recommendation submission and the Company either implementing program 3 modifications or submitting a program application for approval at the Commission (or rejecting the recommendation, if that is their decision). I continue to believe 4 5 that the Collaborative provides a valuable vehicle for this type of program 6 development work, but to date there has been little to show for all the effort 7 Collaborative members have contributed towards developing program concepts for 8 inclusion in DEC's DSM/EE portfolio.

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### Q. WHAT SUGGESTIONS DO YOU HAVE FOR DEC AND THE COMMISSION CONCERNING PLANS FOR REACHING HIGHER OVERALL LEVELS OF SAVINGS IN THE FUTURE?

A. Building on its recent past performance and the narrow gap between its projected
2022 efficiency savings levels and the target of 1% annual savings, DEC is in a
unique position to identify and articulate how it could best close the gap. The
Company should do so now, while aiming to prioritize serving low-income
customers with a significant portion of the remaining 30.4 GWh of savings required
to close the gap between DEC's projected 0.96% annual savings on 2022 up to the
1% annual savings target.

- 19 I believe a request by the Commission to this effect, encouraging DEC to plan
- 20 for and pursue the 1% target in 2022, would likely make a significant difference in
- 21 the likelihood of this very attainable goal being achieved.

### 1 V. <u>Achieving Greater Efficiency Savings Impact for Low-Income Customers</u>

### 2 Q. WHAT LEVEL OF SAVINGS DOES DEC PROJECT FOR ITS LOW-3 INCOME PROGRAMS IN 2022?

- 4 A. Low-Income Energy Efficiency and Weatherization Assistance accounts for 9.8
- 5 GWh of system energy reductions in DEC's estimated load impacts for 2022.<sup>34</sup>
- 6 These programs are forecasted to account for approximately 2% of total residential
- 7 energy savings in 2022. If achieved, this would be an 11% increase in total energy
- 8 savings for DEC's low-income programs compared to its pre-pandemic
- 9 performance.

# Q. HOW MIGHT LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE DURHAM PILOT INFORM POTENTIAL CHANGES TO LOW-INCOME PROGRAM OFFERINGS IN THE FUTURE?

A. The Durham Pilot involved a modified delivery for the Income-Qualified
Weatherization Assistance program. This included providing a larger than typical
package of improvements and working with low-income customers with
comparatively high energy intensity. The program was also able to serve customers
who were unable to access the federal Weatherization Assistance Program dollars
due to overly long wait lists or health, safety, and incidental repair needs.
According to DEC:

20 "For participation in the Durham Pilot, previous Neighborhood Energy
21 Saver Program neighborhoods in Durham, NC were targeted via direct
22 mail. Income eligibility for the Pilot was 200% of federal income
23 poverty guidelines and their kWh usage per home square foot was 7 kWh
24 or greater. These income-eligible customers were offered Tier 2
25 Weatherization (insulation, air sealing, and duct sealing, baseload

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Evans Exhibit 1, Page 4 filed in NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1249

lighting and domestic hot water measures), HVAC replacement and some health and safety improvements."<sup>35</sup>

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3 In total, 205 homes were served, including 59 whose participation was made 4 possible because they also received supplemental Helping Home Funds to address 5 required health, safety, and incidental repair needs prior to the efficiency 6 improvements. DEC noted that the cost per home served was higher than is typical 7 in its standard Income-Qualified Weatherization, though no EM&V has been 8 conducted to uniquely evaluate the pilot's cost effectiveness. In response to a 9 question regarding lessons learned from the Durham Pilot and its future plans, DEC 10 indicated:

11 "Compared to other Weatherization Programs offered by Duke Energy, 12 the Durham Pilot method resulted in a higher percentage of more 13 comprehensive projects. The Pilot was successful in providing services 14 to customers that had been unable to receive similar services from 15 Weatherization providers. The method by which the Pilot was 16 implemented avoided some of the funding issues existing in South 17 Carolina and might allow Duke Energy to expand weatherization in DEP 18 and be successful in South Carolina. However, no decision has been 19 discussed or made to expand the Pilot Program at this time."<sup>36</sup>

- 20 I believe insights gained from this program could lead to important lessons
- 21 on how to deliver deeper savings to low-income customers with high energy
- 22 intensity, including for customers with high energy burdens.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Duke Energy Carolinas Response to SACE Data Request, Item Number 1-14 in Duke Energy Carolinas DSM/EE Rider Docket (E-7, Sub 1249) (Attached as Exhibit FBW-9).
 <sup>36</sup> Duke Energy Carolinas Response to SACE Data Request, Item Number 1-15 in Duke Energy Carolinas DSM/EE Rider Docket (E-7, Sub 1249) (Attached as Exhibit FBW-10).

In response to a discovery request, DEC indicated that it has not quantified the energy savings associated with the Durham Pilot program. This information is key to understanding how well the pilot program strategy worked, and whether its approach could lead to develop new programs or making improvements to DEC's existing low-income program offerings.

6 Q. ARE YOU AWARE OF ADDITIONAL HELPING HOME FUNDS BEING
7 ALLOCATED TO ASSIST WITH DELIVERING EFFICIENCY SAVINGS
8 TO LOW-INCOME CUSTOMERS?

9 A. Yes, Intervenors NCJC, NCHC, and SACE were parties to a Settlement Agreement
10 with DEC and DEP during their most recent rate case proceedings in which both
11 companies committed to providing a combined \$3 million to the Helping Home
12 Fund (HHF) over the next two years, for a total of \$6 million. The Commission
13 approved the settlement terms reached by the Stipulating Parties.

Last year, I submitted testimony in DEC's DSM/EE Rider proceeding on behalf of NCJC, et. al. that emphasized the valuable role these funds play in augmenting traditional ratepayer funded low-income energy efficiency programs. For instance, 59 of the 205 customers served through the Durham Pilot received HHF for vital repairs, without which they would typically not have been able to receive energy efficiency upgrades.

20 Now that these funds have been committed, it is crucially important that this 21 money be strategically spent in a strategic manner to leverage and extend the 22 impact of DEC's Income-Qualified Weatherization Program to the maximum 23 extent. One constructive approach would be to use the HHF dollars almost exclusively to cover health, safety, and incidental repairs and / or fund additional
improvements beyond the individual house budgetary limits in the ratepayer
funded low-income programs for the households with the greatest need. Doing so
will not only extend the life of these HHF dollars, it will lead to deeper savings that
truly address energy burden while enabling many customers to participate who
otherwise would have been turned away.

# Q. ARE YOU AWARE OF DEC'S COMMITMENT TO WORK WITH THE COLLABORATIVE TO DEVELOP AND SEEK APPROVAL FOR NEW LOW-INCOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS?

A. Yes, in the same rate case settlement, DEC and DEP agreed to work with the
Stipulating Parties to develop additional low-income energy efficiency programs
that will be presented to the Collaborative and, if supported by a majority of the
group, will then be submitted to the Commission for approval.

14 Not only is this an important step in the right direction for advancing ongoing 15 efforts to expand low-income efficiency program impact, it is also significant that 16 this arrangement has a timeline with specific actions leading up to a filing to a 17 program application to the Commission. Experience over the past two years at the 18 Collaborative has shown that without such specific deliverables and deadlines, new 19 program concepts get bogged down in an indefinite process with no clear path to 20 implementation, or even a decision. I would again urge the Commission to order 21 the Company to make the Collaborative function more effectively by requiring 22 specific deliverables to be met on a defined time scale.

## Q. ARE YOU AWARE OF A PROPOSED STUDY FOR DUKE TO EXAMINE THE EFFICIENCY SAVINGS IMPACTS OF NON-INCOME QUALIFIED

# CUSTOMERS ON LOW-INCOME CUSTOMERS, AND DO YOU THINK SUCH A STUDY COULD AID FUTURE EFFORTS TO INCREASE EFFICIENCY PROGRAM SAVINGS FOR LOW-INCOME CUSTOMERS?

5 Yes, this was also a provision agreed to by the Stipulating Parties in the Duke A. 6 DSM/EE Mechanism proceeding that was approved by the Commission. The study 7 will seek to estimate the low- and moderate-income market penetration of Duke's 8 non-income qualified programs and ultimately "be used by DEC and DEP to make 9 recommendations for program enhancements designed to cost effectively increase 10 market penetration in the targeted populations and neighborhoods."<sup>37</sup> Duke worked 11 with the Collaborative in the development of a scope of work for this study and 12 provided input on the selection of a qualified contractor. DEC has presented the 13 Commission with a description of the study's scope of work and budget and is 14 seeking Commission authorization to proceed. Intervenors NCJC, NCHC, and 15 SACE support the purpose and approach to this study as outlined by DEC and 16 encourages the Commission to give its approval.

Once the study is complete, we hope that it will in fact lead to program enhancements that lead to increased savings impact for low- and moderate-income households. Even when such improvements have been made to DEC's non-income qualified programs, I do not foresee there being reason to reduce the scope, budgets, or energy savings being delivered to customers through the incomequalified EE programs. In fact, I continue to specifically recommend expansion of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Order Approving Revisions to Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Mechanisms, NCUC Docket No. E-7, Sub 1032 (October 20, 2020).

- these programs. However, I do believe this study has the potential to contribute to
   increased investment and effectiveness of the DEC's non-income qualified
   programs for low-income customers.
- 4 Q. HOW DOES DEC DETERMINE BUDGETS AND SAVINGS TARGETS
   5 FOR ITS LOW-INCOME EFFICENCY PROGRAMS?
  - 6 A. Despite frequent conversations about expanding low-income efficiency programs,
  - 7 it is still very unclear how DEC determines its low-income efficiency program
  - 8 budgets and savings targets. In response to the same question submitted through
  - 9 discovery, DEC provided the following response:

10 "DEC determines the Low-Income program budget and savings targets 11 by considering the programs that regulators have approved. For each 12 approved program, DEC evaluates the throughput capability of the 13 program structure to deliver energy savings to targeted/qualified 14 customers, projected customer demand, and the cost to complete the 15 projected customer participation goals.

16Energy savings are determined by using the most recent energy impact17estimates (EM&V) and multiplying by the related number of measures or18customers."

# 19Q.WOULD YOU STILL RECOMMEND INCREASING DEC'S LOW-20INCOME EFFICIENCY PROGRAM SAVINGS AND BUDGETS?

I would. Unlike most non-income qualified efficiency programs DEC offers that 21 A. 22 are driven by individual customer demand, the Neighborhood Energy Saver and 23 Income Qualified Weatherization programs are delivered by third parties 24 (Honeywell and North Carolina Community Action Association, respectively) 25 with fixed budgets that are set by DEC. From the answer DEC provided above 26 regarding its low-income programs, it seems that the kWh savings are based on the 27 number of measures or customers that the program administrators are contracted 28 by DEC to serve. DEC has more than 2.2 million residential customers, nearly 30%

1 are at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), the same level used by 2 DEC to determine eligibility for its income qualified programs. Notwithstanding 3 its far lower performance in 2020, DEC typically serves a little over 10,000 4 customers through its low-income programs each year. Most participants receive 5 the comparatively shallower savings provided by the Neighborhood Energy Saver 6 program and not all who are served technically meet the 200% of FPL criteria, 7 since eligibility is determined at the neighborhood level. If one only considers 8 deployment of the NES program (thus foregoing deeper savings needs), and also 9 assumes that every program participant is in fact low-income, it would take DEC 10 more than 60 years to reach everyone who qualifies. Addressing the deeper savings 11 needs at a level typical of participants in the Income-Qualified Weatherization 12 Assistance program, at DEC's existing program delivery rate the timeline to serve 13 eligible customers would be many factors longer. It would appear that the key 14 limiting factor in how many customers get served and at what level of savings is 15 DEC's internal budget setting, and not the scale of customer need.

### 16 Q. WHAT DO YOU RECOMMEND?

A. Increase its low-income efficiency program budget and work with the
Collaborative on setting new budget and savings targets for its income-qualified
programs to be reported to the Commission in its next DSM/EE Recovery Rider
filing.

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### VI. <u>Implications of the COVID-19 Pandemic</u>

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### HOW DID DEC'S APPROACH TO PROGRAM DELIVERY AND ITS OVERALL ENERGY EFFICIENCY PERFORMANCE DURING THE PANDEMIC COMPARE TO OTHER UTILITIES?

4 In the early days of the pandemic, on-site efficiency services ground to a halt for A. 5 DEC and all utilities across the country. This led to significant declines in 6 efficiency program savings. Unfortunately, the steepest declines were often in 7 programs that serve, low-income customers – the very people who needed them 8 most. Duke Energy Carolinas (DEC) was among the first utilities in the Southeast 9 to implement new safety protocols and resume in-home energy efficiency services 10 after the pandemic. The exception, however, were DEC's low-income and multi-11 family programs, which saw steep savings declines of 75% and 81% respectively. 12 DEC's overall energy efficiency performance was relatively high in comparison to 13 several other utilities in the region, particularly those in Georgia and Florida. 14 However, DEC's performance trailed far behind that of Entergy Arkansas, which 15 was actually able to improve program performance in spite of the pandemic. 16 Notably, the Arkansas Public Service Commission has established annual 17 efficiency savings targets of 1.2%, which Entergy Arkansas was able to surpass 18 even during the pandemic. Below is a table of selected utilities for comparison:

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Utility Name	2019	2020
Entergy Arkansas <sup>38</sup>	1.10%	1.35%
Duke Energy	0.98%	0.76%
Carolinas		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Performance calculated using net savings and total retail sales from Entergy Arkansas Standardized Annual Reporting Workbook for 2020 Program Year filed in APSC Docket No Docket No. 07-085-TF. Net savings for 2020 found in "Table 1" tab; all other figures used are found in "Prior Year Portfolio". Both attached in FBW - Exhibit 8.

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Georgia Power <sup>39</sup>	0.46%	0.28%
Georgia Power	0.40%	0.20%

1 IN WHAT WAYS CAN ENERGY EFFICIENCY BE PART OF A **O**. 2 STRATEGY TO ASSIST CUSTOMERS IMPACTED BY THE PANDEMIC 3 WHILE REDUCING THE COST ALL TO **CUSTOMERS** FOR 4 **UNCOLLECTIBLE BILLS?** 

A. For customers that struggled financially during the pandemic, energy efficiency
improvements now could provide extra money to help them afford current and past
due electric bills that are now in repayment. DEC knows exactly which customers
have overdue balances and has the opportunity to target deployment of its
efficiency program services directly to those customers.

Programs to serve low-income customers with past due bills could come in a number of different forms, ranging from customer self-install kits combined with a personalized virtual consultation, to deeper retrofit programs potentially patterned after those offered by DEC's Income Qualified Weatherization Program and its Durham Pilot Program. Participation in efficiency programs could even be matched with partial debt forgiveness.

16 Ultimately, these steps could make enough of a difference for customers to 17 complete their repayment plans and prevent uncollectible bills from being passed 18 on to the general body of ratepayers. Doing so could also prevent disconnections 19 and the attendant consequences that can result, like damaged credit scores, 20 additional financial challenges, health risks, and in some cases eviction.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> Calculated using EIA Form-861 for all figures except for 2020 savings, which were obtained from the 2020 Fourth Quarter DSM Report filed in Georgia PSC Docket No. 42311 (Feb. 15, 2021), *available at:* https://psc.ga.gov/search/facts-document/?documentId=184364

## 1 VII. DSM/EE Rider Intersection with Decarbonization and Integrated 2 Resource Planning

### 3 0. HOW DO THE DSM/EE RECOVERY RIDER PROCEEDINGS 4 INTERSECT WITH THE GOVERNOR'S EMISSION REDUCTION 5 **COMMITMENTS?** 6 In 2018, North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper committed to reducing greenhouse A. gas emissions by 40% in all sectors by 2025,<sup>40</sup> and through the statewide Clean 7 Energy Plan ("CEP") established an overall goal of reducing power sector 8 emissions by 70% from 2005 levels by 2030.<sup>41</sup> As the largest utility in the state, 9 10 Duke Energy Carolinas is the largest contributor to power sector emissions in 11 North Carolina. The intersection is further identified in recommendations made in 12 the CEP and the North Carolina Energy Efficiency Roadmap developed in association with the CEP. Several recommendations<sup>42</sup> identify the need for 13 14 engagement in proceedings regulated by the NCUC, including those related to 15 DSM/EE program approvals and updates, to align current energy efficiency efforts 16 with the statewide emissions target:

https://files.nc.gov/governor/documents/files/NC\_Clean\_Energy\_Plan\_OCT\_2019\_.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> Executive Order No. 80, North Carolina's Commitment to Address Climate Change and Transition to a Clean Energy Economy, Governor Roy Cooper. October, 2018, *available at:* 

https://governor.nc.gov/documents/executive-order-no-80-north-carolinas-commitment-address-climate-change-and-transition

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> North Carolina Clean Energy Plan (CEP), North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ), October 2019, *available at:* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> NC Energy Efficiency Roadmap, Nicholas Institute. While many recommendations may be of interest to DEC, there are several that specifically identify the need for engagement in DSM/EE proceedings at the NCUC, including: Recommendation 14: Evaluate the Inclusion of New Criteria to EE Program Approval Process at North Carolina Utility Commission; Recommendation 15: Utilize Demand-Side Management Savings for Low-Income Energy Efficiency Programs; Recommendation 23: Include Valuation of Non-Energy Benefits in Energy Efficiency Investments, *available at:* https://nicholasinstitute.duke.edu/publications/north-carolina-energy-efficiency-roadmap

• **Recommendation 14:** Evaluate the Inclusion of New Criteria to EE Program Approval Process at North Carolina Utility Commission

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- Recommendation 15: Utilize Utility Demand-Side Management Savings for
   Low-Income Energy Efficiency Programs
- Recommendation 23: Include Valuation of Non-Energy Benefits in Energy
   Efficiency Investments

7 The Commission has also previously compelled Duke to submit quality modeling 8 of plans in the Company's integrated resource planning ("IRP") proceedings to 9 meet the goals set out by Governor Cooper and to describe their "most current 10 strategic plans to reduce carbon dioxide emissions."<sup>43</sup> The Company's latest IRP 11 did emphasize the relationship between its various resource portfolio options and 12 their associated carbon emissions.

13 The state recently engaged the Nicholas Institute at Duke University to study 14 carbon-reduction policies that could achieve the CEP emissions targets for the 15 electric power sector. Notably, the study uses Duke's latest IRP for its "standard assumptions" but uses savings levels of at least 1-1.2%% for the "medium 16 17 scenario" and 1-2% for the "high scenarios." Notably, the Nicholas Institute study 18 also demonstrates that the strategies that include robust energy efficiency result in 19 the highest levels of new job creation and Gross State Product. Implicitly this 20 analysis suggests that DEC's IRP does not represent the maximum savings

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> Order Accepting Integrated Resource Plans and REPS Compliance Plans, Scheduling Oral Argument, and Requiring Additional Analyses, NCUC Docket No. E-100, Sub 157 (February 4, 2019).

- potential for DSM/EE, while indicating that additional investment in energy
   efficiency results in greater economic performance in the state.
- 3 Engagement from Commissioners is key to making strides in decarbonization 4 targets set out in the CEP. The Commission has also previously compelled Duke 5 to submit quality modeling of plans in the Company's integrated resource planning 6 ("IRP") proceedings to meet the goals set out by Governor Cooper and to describe their "most current strategic plans to reduce carbon dioxide emissions"<sup>44</sup>. While 7 8 the Company's latest IRP did emphasize the relationship between its various 9 resource portfolio options and their associated carbon emissions, Commission 10 engagement on the CEP should not be limited to just one major proceedings. 11 Instead, the DSM/EE Recovery Rider dockets can be used as a place to ensure 12 DSM/EE efforts are aligned with the statewide CEP.
- 13 Q. HAS DUKE ENERGY MADE COMMITMENTS TO REDUCE ITS
   14 CARBON EMISSIONS?
- A. Yes. Duke Energy has made a commitment to its customers and shareholders to
   reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 50% by the year 2030, and further to net zero
   by 2050.<sup>45</sup>

### 18 Q. HOW DO DEC'S DSM/EE PROGRAMS CONTRIBUTE TO MEETING 19 THESE DECARBONIZATION OBJECTIVES?

- 20 A. Energy saved through Duke's DSM/EE programs reduce total energy waste and
- 21 lessen reliance on the Company's most polluting power generators. As such,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> Order Accepting Integrated Resource Plans and REPS Compliance Plans, Scheduling Oral Argument, and Requiring Additional Analyses, NCUC Docket No. E-100, Sub 157 (February 4, 2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> Achieving a Net Zero Carbon Future, Duke Energy 2020 Climate Report. Link: https://desitecoreprodcd.azureedge.net/\_/media/pdfs/our-company/climate-report-2020.pdf?

1 DSM/EE is one of the most effective means by which the utility can lower carbon 2 emissions. Duke has highlighted the relationship between energy efficiency and 3 reaching its net zero goal, stating:

4 Some of the most effective carbon reductions we can make involve 5 helping customers avoid energy usage in the first place. Again, regulatory 6 or legislative policies related to climate change can prove to be a driver 7 for opportunities for increased deployment of energy efficiency.<sup>46</sup>

## 8 Q. HAS DEC REPORTED ON THE CARBON REDUCTION IMPACT OF ITS 9 DSM/EE PORTFOLIOS?

A. No, to my knowledge DEC has not reported the carbon reduction impact of its
DSM/EE portfolios, either in its DSM/EE Rider filings, or anywhere else. While
general estimates can be made using per megawatt-hour emissions rates, it would
be instructive for the Company to conduct and provide its own analysis. This would
enable consideration of not only the emissions reductions resulting from total
energy savings, but also factor in the performance of its DSM/EE portfolio during
specific times of the year, including during peak vs. off-peak hours.

# 17 Q. SHOULD DEC START REPORTING THE CARBON REDUCTION 18 IMPACTS OF ITS DSM/EE PORTFOLIOS IN FUTURE DSM/EE RIDER 19 PROCEEDINGS?

A. Yes. The Commission should direct DEC to report carbon reductions from its DSM/EE portfolios and discuss future strategies to decarbonize through its portfolio in DSM/EE recovery rider dockets going forward. Doing so would provide the Commission, and the public, with important insight into the relationship between investments made in DEC's DSM/EE programs and the utility's progress towards achieving the Company and the State's decarbonization
goals. This information could also prove useful in aiding the Company to optimize
program delivery to increase carbon emissions reductions. To my knowledge, there
is no other proceeding where DEC reports the carbon emissions reductions
alongside its annual DSM/EE portfolio savings results. The annual DSM/EE Rider
docket would appear to be the best place for regular reporting of this data.

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### VIII. Integrated Resource Plans

### Q. WHAT IS THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE DSM/EE RECOVERY 9 RIDER AND THE INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN?

A. The DSM/EE Recovery Rider and integrated resource planning both provide
perspectives into future energy savings. Lately there have been increasingly
important connections between the Integrated Resource Plan, the DSM/EE
Recovery Rider, and the work of the Collaborative that warrant additional
development and attention.

As I testified last year, integrated resource planning provides the utility, the Commission, and the public with a roadmap for meeting future energy and capacity needs. The DSM/EE Recovery Rider tracks DEC's energy savings performance and sets expectations for energy savings in the subsequent year. If, however, the DSM/EE assumptions used in the IRP underestimate<sup>47</sup> future potential, customer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> DEC indicated in multiple stakeholder meetings that IRP inputs will be based on internal forecasts for at least the next five years. While DEC DSM/EE Recovery Rider projections for 2018 and 2019 were far closer to actual performance, previous filings were off by a substantial degree, typically underestimating actual savings by about 40%.

- could wind up paying for more expensive power supply rather than investing in
   less expensive strategies to eliminate energy waste.
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### Q. WHAT WERE SOME OBSERVATIONS AND INSIGHTS RELEVANT TO THE DSM/EE RIDER FROM KEY TESTIMONY IN DUKE'S MOST RECENT IRP PROCEEDING?

6 IRPs form the basis for utility's decisions to acquire new capacity or energy A. 7 resources and underpin avoided cost calculations used in cost-effectiveness testing, 8 therefore, any flaws have important implications for this proceeding. In the current 9 IRP proceedings SACE, Sierra Club, and NRDC filed comments analyzing Duke's 10 IRPs, which introduced expert analysis on behalf of Jim Grevatt of the Energy Futures Group.<sup>48</sup> In addition, NCSEA, CCEBA, SACE, Sierra Club, and NRDC 11 filed comments introducing the expert analysis of Rachel Wilson.<sup>49</sup> Both of those 12 13 analyses identified flaws in Duke's IRPs.

Mr. Grevatt analysis reviewed Duke's recent Market Potential Studies ("MPS"). He found that those studies significantly underestimate the potential DSM/EE savings in Duke's territory due to a variety of flaws. First, the MPS omitted emerging technologies and their potential savings and instead only considered existing technology. Second, the MPS failed to evaluate nearly two dozen measures used in other jurisdictions. Third, the MPS failed to consider changes to customer engagement strategies or programs designs that may increase

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> Partial Initial Comments of Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, Sierra Club, and Natural Resources Defense Council, NCUC Docket No. E-100, Sub 165 (Mar. 1, 2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> Partial Initial Comments of NCSEA, CCEBA, and SACE, et al. on Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC's 2020 Integrated Resource Plans, NCUC Docket No. E-100, Sub 165 (Mar. 1, 2021).

1 customer participation. Fourth, prior to performing the potential analysis the MPS 2 eliminated all commercial and industrial customers who have opted out, thereby 3 eliminating the efficiency savings potential for approximately 60% of DEC's nonresidential load. Finally, the MPS relied on the Total Resource Cost (TRC) test, 4 5 which substantially undercounts savings benefits, rather than the Utility Cost Test, 6 which the Commission approved to replace the TRC test. All of these factors 7 suggest that the MPS, and the IRP that was based on it, substantially understand 8 efficiency potential that should be informing the supply and DSM/EE portfolio 9 resource mix and savings levels in these DSM/EE Rider dockets.

Ms. Wilson's report analyzed the capacity expansion and production cost modeling of resource options that Duke used to develop their IRPs. The analysis found that increased energy efficiency savings have the potential to produce approximately 16,500 GWh of net annual savings for 2035, which is 9.6 percent of the projected system load. Ms. Wilson concluded that "increased energy efficiency will be an essential part in the decarbonization of Duke's system."

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### IX. Conclusion

### 17 Q. DO YOU HAVE ANY CONCLUDING STATEMENT?

A. Yes, I want to thank the Commission for the Orders it has issued in various
 proceedings<sup>50</sup> over the past year that facilitate improvements and expansions of
 DEC's DSM/EE portfolio, as well as policy changes that continue to evolve the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> Including the Duke DSM/EE Mechanism, DEC / DEP Rate Case, and various program application dockets discussed earlier.

underlying policy framework for DSM/EE in North Carolina, which is the
foundation of this work. I respectfully ask for the Commission's consideration of
the actionable recommendations summarized at the beginning of this testimony
and discussed throughout. Even as there is much still to achieve, what has been
accomplished already should be a source of great pride, as it continues to keep
North Carolina ahead of its peers in the Southeast region.

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the parties of record on the service list have been served with the Direct Testimony of Forest Bradley-Wright on Behalf of the North Carolina Justice Center, North Carolina Housing Coalition, and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy either by electronic mail or by deposit in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid.

This the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

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### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Energy Efficiency Director: Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, Knoxville, TN April 2018 – Present

Regulatory filings, testimony, strategy, and stakeholder management on integrated resource planning, energy efficiency program design, cost recovery and related matters throughout the Southeast.

Senior Policy Director: Alliance for Affordable Energy, New Orleans, LA **February 2017 – April 2018** 

Regulatory filings, strategy, and stakeholder management on integrated resource planning and energy efficiency rulemaking, power plant proposals and related matters at the city and state level.

**Consultant:** Utility Regulation and Energy Policy

Technical and strategic guidance on clean energy policy and utility regulation for Opower, Gulf States Renewable Energy Industries Association, the Alliance, and Mississippi PSC candidate Brent Bailey.

Candidate: Louisiana Public Service Commission

- Won the open primary and secured 49.15% of the vote in the general election against a highly favored, • well-funded incumbent.
- Raised nearly \$500,000 in campaign contributions while publicly pledging not to accept money from monopoly companies regulated by the PSC.
- Campaign focused on ethical leadership, reducing bills, energy efficiency, the rights of customers to • generate solar energy, and government transparency.

### Utility Policy Director: Alliance for Affordable Energy, New Orleans, LA **October 2005 – June 2014**

- Directed successful policy efforts for energy efficiency, renewable energy, and integrated resource planning at the Louisiana PSC and New Orleans City Council, spurring every major Louisiana utility investment in clean energy over the past decade.
- Reviewed and filed intervenor comments, met with commissioners, utilities, and technical consultants, assembled and managed relationships with a broad coalition of stakeholders, worked with media, and served as the organization's public face.
- Launched and managed energy efficiency and solar workforce training programs, public education • campaigns, and direct service projects to improve energy performance in over 100 homes following the city's rebuild post-Katrina.

Owner and Director: EcoPark LLC (d.b.a. The Building Block), New Orleans, LA February 2008 – Present Created an innovative co-location business center to serve as a catalyst for moving green commerce and social entrepreneurship to the mainstream.

Developed the business concept and plan, brought initial funding to the project, hired staff, established • brand identity, and secured tenants.

### Sustainable Development Team Facilitator: Shell International, New Orleans, LA May 2001 – June 2004

- Worked to facilitate a paradigm shift within corporate management's core business practices toward social and environmental issue management.
- Engaged a diverse team of professionals across the company to identify energy and resource inefficiencies and methods to reduce carbon emissions from venting and flaring in oil and natural gas exploration and production.
- Analyzed ways to incorporate sustainability accounting into each stage of new venture development for • major drilling projects.

### **EDUCATION**

- Master of Arts in Latin American Studies, 2011 Concentration in environmental law, business, and international development
- Bachelor of Arts with Honors in Latin American Studies, 2001

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Forest Bradley-Wright and Daniel Brookeshire, Comments on Behalf of North Carolina Sustainable Energy

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### **Duke Energy Carolinas**

### CCL\_SACE DR 2-2

### Docket E-7, Sub 1249 FBW Exhibit 2

2014 Incremental Energy Savings	508,689,316	kWh	Year 2014 Exhibit 2 - line 31 adjusted for line loss
2014 Opt Out Electricity Sales - NC	17,153,650,420	kWh	workpapers
2014 Opt Out Electricity Sales - SC	9,992,960,564	kWh	workpapers
2013 System Retail Billed Electricity Sales	76,021,887	MWh	2013 RAC Report
2015 Incremental Energy Savings	614,743,741	kWh	Year 2015 Exhibit 2 - line 32 adjusted for line loss
2015 Opt Out Electricity Sales - NC	17,296,168,323	kWh	Miller Exhibit 6
2015 Opt Out Electricity Sales - SC	9,824,240,223	kWh	Exhibit 3 pg 1 of 2
2014 System Retail Billed Electricity Sales	78,277,836	MWh	2014 RAC Report
2016 Incremental Energy Savings	754,838,256	kWh	Year 2016 Exhibit 2 - line 33 adjusted for line loss
2016 Opt Out Electricity Sales - NC	17,541,642,770	kWh	Miller Exhibit 6
2016 Opt Out Electricity Sales - SC	10,115,080,343	kWh	Exhibit 3 pg 1 of 2
2015 System Retail Billed Electricity Sales	79,056,620	MWh	2015 RAC Report
2017 Incremental Energy Savings	879,954,382	kWh	Year 2017 Exhibit 2 - line 33 adjusted for line loss
2017 Opt Out Electricity Sales - NC	17,749,899,702	kWh	Miller Exhibit 6
2017 Opt Out Electricity Sales - SC	10,211,024,604	kWh	Exhibit 3 pg 1 of 2
2016 System Retail Billed Electricity Sales	79,090,737	MWh	2016 RAC report
2018 Incremental Energy Savings	811,152,170	kWh	Year 2018 Exhibit 2 - line 33 adjusted for line loss
2018 Opt Out Electricity Sales - NC	18,347,183,120	kWh	Miller Exh 6, Line 10
2018 Opt Out Electricity Sales - SC	10,257,713,985	kWh	Exhibit 3 pg 1 of 2, Line 14
2017 System Retail Billed Electricity Sales	77,059,079	MWh	2017 RAC Report

## 2. Please provide a calculation of cumulative DSM/EE portfolio savings (1) as a percentage of total annual sales; and (2) as a percentage of annual sales to non-opt-out customers from 2014 through 2018, taking into account line loss.

2014 Incremental Energy Savings	508,689.32	MWh
2013 System Retail Electricity Sales	76,021,887	MWh
2013 System Retail Electricity Sales, net of 2014 Opt Out	48,875,276	
Savings as % of 2013 Sales	0.67%	I
Savings as % of 2013 Sales, net of 2014 Opt Out	1.04%	I
2015 Incremental Energy Savings	614,743.74	MWh
2014 System Retail Electricity Sales	78,277,836	MWh
2014 System Retail Electricity Sales, net of 2015 Opt Out	51,157,427	_
Savings as % of 2014 Sales	0.79%	I
Savings as % of 2014 Sales, net of 2015 Opt Out	1.20%	I
		_
2016 Incremental Energy Savings	754,838.26	MWh
2015 System Retail Electricity Sales	79,056,620	MWh
2015 System Retail Electricity Sales, net of 2016 Opt Out	51,399,896	
Savings as % of 2015 Sales	0.95%	I
Savings as % of 2015 Sales, net of 2016 Opt Out	1.47%	Ι

### Docket E-7, Sub 1249 FBW Exhibit 3

### **Duke Energy Carolinas**

### CCL\_SACE DR 1-14

2019 Incremental Energy Savings	794,856,771	kWh	Year 2019 Exhibit 2 line 28 - adjusted for line loss
2019 Opt Out Electricity Sales - NC	20,042,218,854	kWh	Miller Exh 6, Line 8
2019 Opt Out Electricity Sales - SC	10,446,567,023	kWh	Exhibit 3 pg 1 of 2, Line 12
2018 System Retail Billed Electricity Sales	81,399,234	MWh	2018 RAC Report
2021 Incremental Energy Savings	715,710,984	kWh	Year 2021 Exhibit 2 line 27 - adjusted for line loss
2021 Opt Out Electricity Sales - NC	20,419,288,797	kWh	Miller Exh 6, Line 12
2021 Opt Out Electricity Sales - SC	10,490,870,196	kWh	Exhibit 3 pg 1 of 2, Line 16
2020 System Retail Electricity Sales	80,141,016	MWh	2019 Fall Forecast, sales at meter

### 1. Please provide a calculation of DSM/EE portfolio savings with and without line loss (1) as a percentage of total annual sales; and (2) as a percentage of annual sales to non-opt-out customers:

### a. for the year 2019 (as a percentage of 2018 retail sales);

794,856.77	MWh
81,399,234	MWh
0.98%	
	-
794,856.77	MWh
50,910,448	MWh
1.56%	
	794,856.77 81,399,234 0.98% 794,856.77 50,910,448 1.56%

 Please provide a calculation of DSM/EE portfolio savings with and without line loss (1) as a percentage of total annual sales; and (2) as a percentage of annual sales to non-opt-out customers:
 forecasted for the year 2021 (as a result of forecasted 2020 sales).

2021 Incremental Energy Savings	715,710.98	MWh
2020 System Retail Electricity Sales	80,141,016	MWh
Savings as % of 2020 Sales	0.89%	

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### **Duke Energy Carolinas**

### Docket E-7, Sub 1249 FBW Exhibit 4

### SACE DR 1-18

	At Meter		At Plant		
2020 Incremental Energy Savings	612,158,071	kWh	650,226,345	kWh	Evans Exhibit 1 page 4 (2020) line 28
2020 Opt Out Electricity Sales - NC	19,684,483,883	kWh	20,908,602,882	kWh	Listebarger Exh 6, Line 10
2020 Opt Out Electricity Sales - SC	9,593,238,585	kWh	10,189,813,313	kWh	Exhibit 3 pg 1 of 2, Line 12
2019 System Retail Billed Electricity Sales	80,109,038	MWh	85,090,778	MWh	2019 RAC Report
2022 Incremental Energy Savings	766,625,571	kWh	814,299,715	kWh	Evans Exhibit 1 page 5 (2022) line 28
2022 Opt Out Electricity Sales - NC	19,640,593,176	kWh	20,861,982,744	kWh	Listebarger Exh 6, Line 14
2022 Opt Out Electricity Sales - SC	9,579,821,484	kWh	10,175,561,843	kWh	Exhibit 3 pg 1 of 2, Line 16
2021 System Retail Electricity Sales	79,703,572	MWh	84,660,098	MWh	2020 Fall Forecast, sales at meter

1. Please provide a calculation of DSM/EE portfolio savings with and without line loss (1) as a percentage of total annual sales; and (2) as a percentage of annual sales to non-opt-out customers:

a. for the year 2020 (as a percentage of 2019 retail sales);

	At Meter		At Plant
2020 Incremental Energy Savings	612,158.07	MWh	650,226.35 MWh
2019System Retail Electricity Sales	80,109,038	MWh	85,090,778 MWh
Savings as % of 2019 Sales	0.76%	]	0.76%
2020 Incremental Energy Savings	612,158.07	MWh	650,226.35 MWh
2019 System Retail Electricity Sales, net of 2019 Opt Out	50,831,315	MWh	53,992,362 MWh
Savings as % of 2019 Sales, net of 2019 Opt Out	1.20%	]	1.20%

1. Please provide a calculation of DSM/EE portfolio savings with and without line loss (1) as a percentage of total annual sales; and (2) as a

percentage of annual sales to non-opt-out customers:

b. forecasted for the year 2022 (as a result of forecasted 2021 sales).

	At Meter			
2022 Incremental Energy Savings	766,625.57	MWh	814,299.72	MWh
2021 System Retail Electricity Sales	79,703,572	MWh	84,660,098	MWh
Savings as % of 2021 Sales	0.96%		0.96%	

### SACE DR1-4

### 1-4. For each program in DEC's DSM/EE portfolio, please provide:

a. UCT and TRC cost-effectiveness test scores with corresponding total costs and benefits for 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020, including:

i. A detailed explanation of the inputs and calculation methods used for UCT and TRC

ii. An illustrative example showing how the calculations are done using a common efficient HVAC measure.

b. The projected cost effectiveness scores for each program in the 2021 and 2022 forecasts;

Note: Due to the availability of actual participant costs, calculations of historical TRC prior to 2018 are unavailable.

Note: Minor variances in Total Portfolio NPV of AC and Program Costs due to rounding

-		2016			2017			2018	
	NDV/ of AC	Drogram Cost		NDV of AC	Dragram Cast			Dragram Cast	Participant
Appliance Deguling Program		Program Cost	0.01	NPV 01 AC		0.00	NPV OF AC	Program Cost	incentives
	2 605 507	(97,397)	-0.01	-	5,307	0.00	-	1 002 260	490 222
Energy Efficiency Education	3,095,507	2,126,509	1.74	3,597,724	2,077,011	1./3	2,803,153	1,992,260	480,232
	82,202,218	24,009,774	5.42	105,352,087	30,340,728	3.47	135,840,045	42,087,244	50,512,751
HVAC Energy Efficiency	7,476,100	7,839,566	0.95	7,287,263	7,403,327	0.98	7,087,718	6,955,146	5,303,166
Income Qualified Energy Efficiency and Weatherization Assistance	2,984,760	4,792,436	0.62	3,185,867	5,505,992	0.58	4,253,631	6,490,735	4,835,515
Multi-Family Energy Efficiency	8,950,706	2,518,988	3.55	13,539,656	3,168,422	4.27	13,613,278	3,604,921	1,155,116
Energy Assessments	6,822,806	2,678,893	2.55	6,602,773	2,909,098	2.27	5,756,145	2,836,229	278,369
My Home Energy Report	20,423,954	10,822,444	1.89	21,728,369	13,812,250	1.57	22,682,074	12,765,286	-
PowerManager	54,179,776	13,644,970	3.97	61,074,105	14,021,500	4.36	61,920,744	14,423,610	7,213,282
Non Residential Smart Saver Custom Technical Assessments	9,572,687	2,034,308	4.71	10,272,302	2,139,875	4.80	67,297	407,293	7,794
Non Residential Smart Saver Custom	39,025,086	7,356,509	5.30	34,693,083	7,304,838	4.75	23,319,056	6,068,902	3,495,543
Energy Management Information Services	-	-		-	-		-	-	-
Non Residential Smart Saver Energy Efficient Food Service Products	2,474,312	324,117	7.63	959,251	306,488	3.13	431,621	235,605	172,207
Non Residential Smart Saver Energy Efficient HVAC Products	3,344,669	1,473,991	2.27	2,958,336	1,560,769	1.90	2,809,849	1,620,748	1,418,533
Non Residential Smart Saver Energy Efficient Lighting Products	120,392,639	39,622,944	3.04	240,054,511	66,689,770	3.60	146,516,321	25,872,380	22,136,715
Non Residential Energy Efficient Pumps and Drives Products	1,574,965	471,930	3.34	3,070,044	528,937	5.80	1,617,544	277,785	221,861
Non Residential Energy Efficient ITEE	777,601	285,430	2.72	523	61,215	0.01	3,025	36,875	3,528
Non Residential Energy Efficient Process Equipment Products	279,184	125,947	2.22	530,295	162,413	3.27	226,697	67,509	51,787
Non Residential Smart Saver Performance Incentive	-	35,670	0.00	8,958	320,559	0.03	1,671,568	479,610	279,680
Small Business Energy Saver	55,685,830	15,360,852	3.63	63,169,894	17,350,972	3.64	46,827,028	15,977,993	14,439,122
Smart Energy in Offices	1,843,559	1,061,729	1.74	1,067,480	891,010	1.20	143,266	219,748	-
Business Energy Report	302,497	263,169	1.15	696	126,680	0.01	-	-	-
EnergyWise for Business	574,590	470,304	1.22	2,530,761	2,484,618	1.02	2,279,619	3,062,816	595,564
PowerShare	43,889,394	14,291,024	3.07	41,482,644	13,316,535	3.12	36,008,770	12,922,977	12,213,583
Disallowed Costs from 2015 Program Cost Audit (Order E-7 Sub 110)	5, dated 8/25/16)	,-		, - ,-	, -,		,,	, ,-	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Total Portfolio	466,592,598	151,574,107	3.08	623,167,221	192,488,915	3.24	515,939,051	159,005,671	110,814,347

i UCT is the sum of the net present value of avoided capacity, energy and T&D divided by total program costs

TRC is the sum of the net present value of avoided capacity, energy and T&D divided by the sum of total program costs and the participant costs less participant incentives

ii See the UCT and TRC columns for part a for the formulas used to calculate the UCT and TRC scores. Example of HVAC Measure:

NPV Avoided Energy = \$195 NPV Avoided Capacity = \$38 NPV Avoided T&D = \$100 Total NPV Avoided Cost = \$333 Program Cost = \$270 Participant Incentive = \$250 Participant Cost (net) = \$525 UCT = \$333/\$270 = 1.23 TRC = \$333/(\$270-\$250+\$525) = 0.61

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					2019						2020			
NPV Participant	LICT	TRO			Participant	NPV Participant	LICT	TRO			Participant	NPV Participant	LICT	TRO
Costs (net)	UCI	TRC	NPV OF AC	Program Cost	Incentives	Costs (net)	UCI	TRC	NPV of AC	Program Cost	Incentives	Costs (net)	UCI	TRC
				-					-	-	-	-	-	-
-	1.44	1.89	2,519,645	5 1,644,077	457,087	512,554	1.53	1.48	1,312,408	1,113,485	236,103	258,066	1.18	1.16
18,585,822	3.18	5.49	101,640,687	40,433,533	33,722,488	26,603,606	2.51	3.05	60,871,143	22,124,101	16,886,727	15,167,158	2.75	2.98
8,572,619	1.02	0.69	7,079,940	7,402,907	5,311,650	7,107,099	0.96	0.77	7,811,427	7,563,287	5,801,975	7,609,171	1.03	0.83
-	0.66	2.57	3,570,760	) 7,344,325	5,590,035	5,662,865	0.49	0.48	1,094,864	2,787,490	2,033,569	1,958,074	0.39	0.40
-	3.78	5.56	10,815,659	3,681,262	1,008,869	1,126,658	2.94	2.85	2,156,883	1,613,839	337,362	232,051	1.34	1.43
-	2.03	2.25	4,413,585	5 3,153,757	160,084	286,787	1.40	1.35	4,582,748	3,358,880	164,844	226,437	1.36	1.34
-	1.78	1.78	23,361,954	10,558,344	-	-	2.21	2.21	23,927,899	12,749,651	-	-	1.88	1.88
-	4.29	8.59	69,783,157	7 13,386,942	7,654,406	-	5.21	12.17	74,785,083	14,303,277	9,209,212	-	5.23	14.68
24,493	0.17	0.16	691,285	5 296,006	165,648	750,359	2.34	0.78	518,862	330,629	94,787	204,660	1.57	1.18
13,128,691	3.84	1.49	35,884,367	7 8,873,872	5,987,025	17,933,319	4.04	1.72	15,898,503	5,771,790	2,481,286	6,512,064	2.75	1.62
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332,863	1.83	1.09	412,886	5 339,996	251,163	660,970	1.21	0.55	230,241	533,411	389,347	382,034	0.43	0.44
1,481,662	1.73	1.67	5,516,665	5 2,208,364	1,950,484	2,962,253	2.50	1.71	7,423,034	2,450,713	2,120,437	3,638,965	3.03	1.87
53,989,440	5.66	2.54	105,608,459	20,834,766	16,543,407	39,082,405	5.07	2.43	71,994,024	13,098,851	9,721,810	27,201,346	5.50	2.35
360,094	5.82	3.89	720,816	5 189,172	102,810	228,894	3.81	2.29	757,993	167,464	95,170	268,706	4.53	2.22
2,491	0.08	0.08	1,385	5 44,335	19,591	1,615	0.03	0.05	1,734	15,179	549	1,149	0.11	0.11
49,376	3.36	3.48	416,343	3 119,843	99,668	173,953	3.47	2.14	236,299	29,681	18,834	32,431	7.96	5.46
1,420,247	3.49	1.03	2,238,186	5 785,165	402,997	1,711,020	2.85	1.07	2,035,780	751,724	414,798	1,072,733	2.71	1.44
22,510,536	2.93	1.95	25,661,729	) 11,421,399	10,040,202	15,796,578	2.25	1.49	15,315,818	6,933,130	5,852,828	8,879,847	2.21	1.54
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-	0.74	0.92	2.728.428	3.687.462	884.345	-	0.74	0.97	2.131.933	2.941.282	864.460	-	0.72	1.03
-	2.79	50.76	42,072,382	13,022,816	12,288,629	-	3.23	57.30	34,867,428	12,082,697	11,083,075	-	2.89	34.88
120,458,335	3.24	3.06	445,138,318	3 149,428,343	102,640,586	120,600,935	2.98	2.66	327,954,102	110,720,562	67,807,173	73,644,891	2.96	2.81

		2021						2022			
NPV of AC	Program Cost	Participant Incentives	NPV Participant Costs (net)	UCT	TRC	NPV of AC	Program Cost	Participant Incentives	NPV Participant Costs (net)	UCT	TRC
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3,022,045	2,158,411	628,362	607,050	1.40	1.41	3,145,767	2,264,641	654,001	631,821	1.39	1.40
26,094,584	9,897,967	7,978,934	9,950,260	2.64	2.20	34,272,497	15,072,228	11,819,651	16,953,447	2.27	1.70
4,513,202	5,542,288	3,071,400	4,242,261	0.81	0.67	5,299,434	5,219,878	3,791,800	5,212,782	1.02	0.80
5,297,222	7,525,216	6,178,677	5,972,345	0.70	0.72	6,175,591	8,220,067	6,832,601	6,849,158	0.75	0.75
14,210,714	4,521,600	1,235,752	1,207,811	3.14	3.16	9,487,870	3,049,816	1,968,943	711,165	3.11	5.29
7,542,872	5,688,276	485,352	674,748	1.33	1.28	7,619,294	5,247,884	479,185	668,724	1.45	1.40
22,825,595	12,064,044	-	-	1.89	1.89	21,443,834	11,379,147	-	-	1.88	1.88
82,948,182	19,166,071	10,700,422	-	4.33	9.80	76,782,152	18,025,787	9,488,763	-	4.26	8.99
2,779,419	1,030,840	494,160	2,941,228	2.70	0.80	2,749,737	1,378,847	554,376	2,870,477	1.99	0.74
29,177,559	9,501,528	5,940,475	21,237,506	3.07	1.18	25,673,184	8,883,313	5,143,170	18,553,262	2.89	1.15
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1,428,585	985,505	781,365	1,612,105	1.45	0.79	661,380	271,042	164,136	985,343	2.44	0.61
2,369,564	1,614,541	1,393,367	1,899,905	1.47	1.12	9,554,016	3,143,794	2,611,680	4,395,437	3.04	1.94
94,718,674	22,630,821	16,903,125	38,488,210	4.19	2.14	104,317,008	27,455,462	20,275,377	42,216,273	3.80	2.11
1,234,566	396,467	251,070	367,232	3.11	2.41	1,118,710	370,116	253,320	402,195	3.02	2.16
28,640	44,284	21,616	38,461	0.65	0.47	17,576	25,950	12,856	10,309	0.68	0.75
382,954	109,491	77,544	137,296	3.50	2.26	556,380	234,358	189,635	255,761	2.37	1.85
7,088,559	2,204,158	1,460,345	5,958,176	3.22	1.06	3,385,427	1,948,037	1,510,921	2,819,011	1.74	1.04
23,817,495	10,276,621	9,340,151	15,705,926	2.32	1.43	55,375,251	18,189,200	15,319,498	29,148,203	3.04	1.73
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3,489,310	5,580,274	2,813,992	-	0.63	1.26	2,190,679	4,726,799	3,136,831	-	0.46	1.38
43,471,361	12,886,651	12,569,384	-	3.37	137.02	41,017,747	12,058,258	11,670,152	-	3.40	105.69
376,441,104	133,825,056	82,325,493	111,040,520	2.81	2.32	410,843,534	147,164,622	95,876,895	132,683,368	2.79	2.23

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### Docket E-7, Sub 1249 FBW Exhibit 6

SACE DR 1-19 First Data Request to Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC

DSM Source: Actual For		1	EE			Total Non-Reside	ntial Sales (kWh)	
		Actual	Forecasted	Actual	Forecasted		Actual	Forecasted
		2020	2022	2020	2022		2020	2022
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NC Lis	stebarger Exhibit 6	18,254,741,506	18,248,487,084	19,684,483,883	19,640,593,176		34,115,824,726	36,242,826,711
SC R1	13 Exhibit 3 page 1	8,643,937,630	8,643,100,545	9,593,238,585	9,579,821,484		13,427,589,634	14,898,064,380
Total	_	26,898,679,136	26,891,587,629	29,277,722,468	29,220,414,660		47,543,414,360	51,140,891,091

### Docket E-7, Sub 1249 FBW Exhibit 7

SACE DR 1-21

1-21. Please provide a spreadsheet of total energy savings achieved by each of the Company's DSM/EE programs, in GWh, for 2018, 2019 and 2020.

Residential Programs	2018 System Energy Reduction (GWh)	2019 System Energy Reduction (GWh)	2020 System Energy Reduction (GWh)
EE Programs			
1 Energy Efficiency Education	5.53	6.71	3.38
2 Energy Efficient Appliances and Devices	195.21	187.88	111.20
3 HVAC Energy Efficiency	6.37	7.33	7.69
4 Low Income Energy Efficiency and Weatherization Assistance	6.85	8.78	2.17
5 Multi-Family Energy Efficiency	20.92	21.34	4.04
6 Residential Energy Assessments	7.72	7.89	7.89
7 Total for Residential Conservation Programs	242.60	239.93	136.37
8 My Home Energy Report	344.76	328.44	332.11
9 Total Residential Conservation and Behavioral Programs	587.36	568.37	468.48
10 Power Manager®	-	-	-
11 Total Residential	587.36	568.37	468.48

### **Non-Residential Programs**

	2018 System	2019 System	2020 System
	Energy	Energy	Energy
	Reduction	Reduction	Reduction
EE Programs	(GWh)	(GWh)	(GWh)
12 Non Residential Smart Saver Custom Technical Assessments	0.08	1.93	1.41
13 Non Residential Smart Saver Custom	30.33	52.52	21.16
14 Non Residential Smart Saver Energy Efficienct Food Service Products	0.74	1.00	0.50
15 Non Residential Smart Saver Energy Efficienct HVAC Products	2.91	7.53	9.27
16 Non Residential Smart Saver Energy Efficienct Lighting Products	178.17	163.56	109.55
17 Non Residential Smart Saver Energy Efficienct Pumps and Drives Produc	2.67	1.46	1.40
18 Non Residential Energy Efficienct ITEE	0.02	0.01	0.01
19 Non Residential Smart Saver Energy Efficienct Process Equipment Produ	0.33	0.73	0.57
20 Smart \$aver(R) Non Residential Performance Incentive Program	3.27	4.55	5.96
21 Small Business Energy Saver	76.70	53.67	30.61
22 Smart Energy in Offices	1.49	-	-
23 Total for Non-Residential Conservation Programs	296.71	286.97	180.45
24 EnergyWise for Business	2.60	2.70	1.30
25 PowerShare®	-	-	-
26 Total for Non-Residential DSM Programs	2.60	2.70	1.30
27 Total Non Residential	299.31	289.67	181.75
28 Total All Programs	886.67	858.05	650.23

(1) My Home Energy Report impacts reflect cumulative capability as of end of vintage year.

(2) Total System DSM programs allocated to Residential and Non-Residential based on contribution to retail system peak



# Arkansas Public Service Commission

Standardized Annual Reporting Workbook v4.0 August 2017

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Instructions	2020 EE Portfolio Information	2020 Program Year Evaluation	Historical Information
Glossary		Entergy Arkansas, LLC	

Annual Report Tables						Reports	Data		
EE Portfolio Summary	EE Portfolio Expenditures by Program	EE Portfolio Expenditure Summary by Cost Type	Company Statistics	Program Budget, Energy Savings & Participants	Portfolio Results Detail by Program	Portfolio Results Detail by Sector	Best Practices	Program Year Data	Next Annual Report Load Data
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2020 Portfolio Summary										
Net Energ	y Savings	Costs			Cost-Effectiveness			Goal Achievement		
Demand MW	<b>Energy</b> MWh	Actual Expenditures	LCFC	Performance Incentives	TRC Net Benefits (NPV)	TRC Ratio	PAC Ratio	Commission Established Target % of Baseline	Actual Savings Achieved % of Baseline	% of Target Achieved (%)
81	294,313	\$ 58,833,546	\$-	\$ 5,652,621	\$ 107,299,485	2.18	2.76	1.20%	1.59%	133%

### Historical Data (Portfolio Data - Prior Four Years)

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**Instructions:** Provide the information for the Years listed below. This information can be copied from the previous years workbook'Next Annual Report Load Data' section.

	Company Statistics			EE Portfolio							
	Revenue	and Sales		Cos	sts		Savings (MWh)				
Program Year	Revenue	Sales (MWh)		Budget		Actual	Plan	Actual			
2019	\$ 1,861,403,000	21,818,158		\$ 64,015,712	\$	56,918,813	239,488	248,663			
2018	\$ 1,667,424,000	22,524,809		\$ 62,812,116	\$	57,743,947	239,878	255,997			
2017	\$ 1,739,545,000	20,888,455		\$ 62,034,767	\$	57,141,646	238,130	264,992			
2016	\$ 1,733,733,000	20,639,386		\$ 65,963,717	\$	60,270,107	194,165	253,201			

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### **DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC**

### <u>Request</u>:

Please provide the following information on participation within the Durham Pilot associated with the Income-Qualified Energy Efficiency and Weatherization Assistance Program broken down by year:

- a. Number of participants
- b. MWh Savings
- c. MW Demand Reduction
- d. Associated program delivery costs (incentives and program implementation)
- e. What customer characteristics were prioritized for participation in this program (eg. income, level of energy use),
- f. Number of houses requiring health and safety improvements and / or incidental repairs
- g. Portion of total budget spent on health and safety improvements and incidental repairs

### Response:

Please note that the Durham Pilot is not a part of this proceeding, and, therefore, the Company objects to this question on the ground that it seeks information not relevant to, and beyond the scope of, this proceeding. However, without waiving said objection, the following is being made available for your information.

a. Number of participants – 205 Total Homes by Year 2018 39 2019 166 Total 205

b. MWh Savings - data not available

c. MW Demand Reduction - data not available

d. Associated program delivery costs (incentives and program implementation)

	Project Costs	Program Delivery	Total
2018	\$ 145,251.05	\$ 23,240.24	\$ 168,491.29
2019	\$ 689,607.97	\$ 110,337.47	\$ 799,945.44
2020	\$ 20,530.00	\$ 3,284.80	\$ 23,814.80
Tota	l* \$ 855,389.02	\$ 136,862.51	\$ 992,251.53

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\*Although no new homes started in 2020, some were finished, paid and close-out in early 2020.

e. For participation in the Durham Pilot, previous Neighborhood Energy Saver Program neighborhoods in Durham, NC were targeted via direct mail. Income eligibility for the Pilot was 200% of federal income poverty guidelines and their kWh usage per home square foot was 7 kWh or greater. These income-eligible customers were offered Tier 2 Weatherization (insulation, air sealing, and duct sealing, baseload lighting and domestic hot water measures), HVAC replacement and some health and safety improvements.

### f. 59 Homes

g. There was 0% of the DEC Weatherization Budget on H&S improvements or incidental repairs.

Helping Home Funds (HHF) were available to address health and safety and incidental repairs in the amount of \$83,231.

HHF measures included: Attic/Crawl Space repair, bath ventilation, CO2 smoke detectors, debris removal, electrical repair, floor repair, hot water heater replacement, mold/mildew remediation, plumbing repair, sewer/septic repair, and wall/ceiling repair.

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### **DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC**

### Request:

Please provide any analysis, reports, and documentation of any lessons learned prepared by or on behalf of DEC from the Durham Pilot associated with the Income-Qualified Energy Efficiency and Weatherization Assistance Program, to include (but not limited to) the following:

- a. TRC and UCT cost effectiveness evaluation methods and scores (eg. use of deemed savings vs. measured bill savings, consideration of non-energy benefits, etc.)
- b. An indication of DEC's intentions regarding any planned future programmatic activities related to the specific approaches used in this pilot program.

### Response:

Please note that the Durham Pilot is not a part of this proceeding; therefore, the Company objects to this request on the ground that it is not relevant and beyond the scope of this proceeding. However, without waiving the objections, the following is being made available for your information.

a. Because of the small participation size of the Durham Pilot, no cost effectiveness evaluation or savings determination was performed in the most recent EM&V evaluation. In the Durham Pilot, Duke Energy paid the full cost of each measure which made the program cost per house higher for the Pilot than for the DEC Weatherization. Because the annual kWh usage of the houses in the Pilot was close to the annual savings of the DEC Weatherization the cost effectiveness of the Pilot program was deemed lower than the DEC Weatherization program. The method of implementation allowed focus and direct services to customers higher energy consumption that needed the services the most. The Program received high participant satisfaction. Less issues arose doing implementation and roadblocks incurred were easier to resolve.

b. Compared to other Weatherization Programs offered by Duke Energy, the Durham Pilot method resulted in a higher percentage of more comprehensive projects. The Pilot was successful in providing services to customers that had been unable to receive similar services from Weatherization providers. The method by which the Pilot was implemented avoided some of the funding issues existing in South Carolina and might allow Duke Energy to expand weatherization in DEP and be successful in South Carolina. However, no decision has been discussed or made to expand the Pilot Program at this time.