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

> Application of Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Re: Energy North Carolina, for Authority to Adjust its Electric Rates and Charges Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-69 Docket No. E-22, Sub 577

Dear Ms. Campbell:

Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina submits for filing in the above-referenced docket its Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses.

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

Very truly yours,

/s/E. Brett Breitschwerdt

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Enclosure

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 577

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Virginia Electric and Power)	
Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North)	JOINT MOTION TO EXCUSE
Carolina, for Authority to Adjust its Electric)	WITNESSES
Rates and Charges Pursuant to N.C.G.S.)	
§ 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-69)	
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NOW COME Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina ("DENC") and the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Public Staff") and, together, respectfully request that the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Commission") issue an order in the above-captioned docket excusing DENC's and the Public Staff's witnesses from appearing at the evidentiary hearing scheduled in this proceeding.

In support of this Motion, DENC and the Public Staff show as follows:

- 1. On August 13, 2019, DENC filed its Application for Approval of DSM and EE Cost Recovery Rider and Request to Authorize Closure of Programs ("Application") along with the prefiled testimony of Michael T. Hubbard, Deanna R. Kesler, Jarvis E. Bates, Alan J. Moore, Robert E. Miller and Debra A. Stephens in support of the Application.
- 2. On September 4, 2019, the Commission issued its *Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Riling of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines and Requiring Public Notice*.

- 3. On September 6, 2019, Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates I ("CIGFUR I") filed a Petition to Intervene. The Petition was granted on September 17, 2019.
- On October 22, 2019, the Public Staff filed the direct testimony of David
 M. Williamson and Michael C. Maness.
 - 5. On October 24, 2019, DENC filed its Affidavit of Publication.
- 6. On October 29, 2019, the Public Staff filed a Letter of Correction and Corrected Page of Testimony of David M. Williamson.
 - 7. On October 31, 2019, DENC filed a Letter in Lieu of Rebuttal Testimony.
 - 8. No other parties have intervened in this proceeding.
- 9. A review of the prefiled testimony of DENC and the Public Staff indicates that no conflicting positions exist between the Public Staff and DENC, and the parties agree on the Company's Rider C and Rider CE rates, as set forth in DENC witnesses Moore, Miller and Stephens' testimony.
- 10. Thus, DENC and the Public Staff have reached agreement on all the issues, and each agrees to waive cross-examination of the other party's witnesses. As such, DENC and the Public Staff request that their respective witnesses be excused from appearing at the hearing scheduled for November 12, 2019, unless the Commission has questions for them.
- 11. Counsel for CIGFUR I has also agreed to waive cross-examination of DENC's and the Public Staff's witnesses.

Therefore, DENC and the Public Staff respectfully move:

- 1. That the Commission excuse Michael T. Hubbard, Deanna R. Kesler, Jarvis E. Bates, Alan J. Moore, Robert E. Miller, Debra A. Stephens, David M. Williamson and Michael C. Maness from appearing at the hearing on November 12, 2019, unless the Commission has questions for any of these witnesses.
- 2. That the Commission grant such other and further relief as the Commission deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted, this the 4th day of November, 2019.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing <u>Joint Motion to Excuse Witnesses</u>, as filed in Docket No. E-22, Sub 577, were served electronically or via U.S. mail, first-class, postage prepaid, upon all parties of record.

This, the 4th day of November.

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