# "Quarterly Review"

# Selected Financial and Operational Data:

#### Re:

## Electric Companies

- Carolina Power & Light Company, d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc.
- Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC
- Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, Nantahala Area, d/b/a Duke Energy – Nantahala Area
- Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion North Carolina Power

## Natural Gas Local Distribution Companies

- Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.
- Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc.

## Telecommunications Companies

- BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a AT&T North Carolina
- Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company
- Central Telephone Company
- Citizens Telephone Company
- Concord Telephone Company
- LEXCOM Telephone Company
- MEBTEL Communications
- North State Communications
- Verizon South Inc.
- Windstream North Carolina, Inc.
  - Quarter Ending March 31, 2007 ■

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

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Donald R. Hoover, Director

**Operations Division** 

The Operations Division hereby presents for your consideration the *Quarterly Review* for the calendar quarter ending March 31, 2007. Such report, which has been prepared by the Operations Division, presents an overview of selected financial and operational information and data for 16 major investor-owned public utilities regulated by the Commission.

Should you have questions concerning the report, Freda Hilburn, Bliss Kite, or I will be pleased to be of assistance.

Thank you for your consideration.

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# Part I

# Introduction

The purpose, structure, focus, and an abbreviated synopsis of the nature of the contents of this report is presented here.

The Quarterly Review has been designed and is structured so as to provide, in a clear and concise format, relevant and useful financial and operational information pertaining to 16 major investor-owned public utilities regulated by the North Carolina Utilities Commission (Commission): four electric companies, two natural gas local distribution companies, and ten telecommunications companies. The primary focus of this report is one of a jurisdictional financial nature. However, albeit limited, certain jurisdictional operational information is also included.

To a vast extent the information presented herein is organized into individual company overviews. The data presented covers a period of five years, except for (1) one natural gas company for which only two years of data is available as a result of a consolidation in 2005 of three regulated entities into one, and (2) the eight price regulated telephone companies for which only four years of data are presented. From a general viewpoint, the individual company overviews, excluding to a certain extent those of the price regulated telephone companies, for which information is strictly limited, provide information that users of this report will find helpful from the standpoint of gaining insight into each company's jurisdictional financial standing and in acquiring a sense of the magnitude of each company's overall jurisdictional economic dimension.

Significant changes have taken place with regard to reporting requirements for the price regulated telephone companies, effective for reporting periods beginning with calendar year 2003, as a result of further relaxed regulation of the telecommunications industry. Due to these changes, the financial and operational data submitted to the Commission by such companies are significantly less comprehensive than that previously provided. In consideration of the foregoing and to accommodate the new format in which data for the price regulated telephone companies will now be presented, data for years prior to 2003 are not included herein for the price regulated telephone companies.

The aforementioned reporting requirement changes for the price regulated telephone companies were implemented by Orders dated January 2 and April 16, 2004, in Docket No. P-100, Sub 72b, in response to passage of Senate Bill 814 (An Act to Clarify the Law Regarding Competitive and Deregulated Offerings of Telecommunications Services), and as previously indicated, were effective for reporting periods beginning with calendar year 2003. Specifically, in the present regard, the April 16, 2004 Order approved the Annual Report Proposal submitted, on March 4, 2004, by the major price regulated telephone companies, which effectively superseded the TS-1 Report previously submitted annually by the price regulated telephone companies. Consequently, beginning with the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2003 Quarterly Review, which includes information and data for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2003, earnings, access line, and certain other data for the price regulated telephone companies are no longer provided. Further, the information provided by the eight price regulated telephone companies is presented on a total North Carolina combined basis,

including both their regulated and nonregulated operations, as that is what is now being provided to the Commission.

This report has been prepared solely for the use of the Commission. The responsibility for developing and preparing the report is that of the Commission's Operations Division (Division). The preponderance of the information and data included in and/or on which the report is based has been provided by the companies. Such data has not been audited or otherwise verified. Therefore, the Division, although it believes the aforesaid data to be true and correct in each and every respect, cannot and does not offer any attestation in that regard.

#### A Specific Objective

A specific objective of this reporting process is to present to the Commission, on an ongoing basis, meaningful information regarding the financial viability of the subject companies, including the reasonableness of the overall levels of rates and charges currently being charged by jurisdictional utilities, whose rates are cost based, for their sales of services. Cost based regulation is synonymous with rate base, rate of return regulation.

Under rate base, rate of return regulation, the cost of service of a public utility is defined as the sum total of reasonable operating expenses, depreciation, taxes, and a reasonable return on the net valuation of property used and useful in providing public utility services. Therefore, the reasonableness of a public utility's rates is a function of the reasonableness of the level of each individual component of its cost of service.

The reasonable return component of the cost of service equation refers to the overall rate of return related to investment funded by all investors, including debt investors as well as preferred and common equity investors. The costs of debt capital and preferred stock, which are essentially fixed by contract, must be deducted from revenue, like all other components of the cost of service, in determining income available for distribution to common stockholders. Therefore, generally speaking, a very meaningful measure of the profitability of any utility, and consequently the reasonableness of its overall rates and charges, is the return earned on its common shareholders' investment, i.e., its return on common equity, over some specified period of time. Typically, such returns are measured over a period of one year. Thus, annual returns on common equity and certain other key financial ratios, which among other things give significant perspective to the common equity returns, are the focal points of this report.

#### The Key Financial Ratios

Specifically, the key financial ratios presented herein for use in reviewing the companies' financial viabilities, including their profitability and consequently the reasonableness of their rates and charges are (1) the return on common equity, (2) the common equity capitalization ratio, (3) the pretax interest coverage ratio, and (4) the overall rate of return.

#### The Return on Common Equity

As indicated, the return on common equity is a key financial indicator which measures the profitability of an enterprise from the standpoint of its common stockholders over some specified period of time. That return or earnings rate reflects the ratio of earnings available for common equity to the common-equity investors' capital investment. As previously stated, the ratio is significant because it traditionally represents profitability after all revenues and costs, other than the cost of common equity capital, have been considered. From the standpoint of measuring profitability, return on common equity is indeed "the bottom line".

#### The Common Equity Capitalization Ratio

The common equity capitalization ratio is the ratio of common equity capital to total investor-supplied capital of the firm. That ratio is significant because it is a major indicator of the financial riskiness of the firm, particularly from the standpoint of the common stockholders. The issuance of debt capital, assuming no offsetting decrease in preferred stock, decreases the common equity capitalization ratio, and its existence creates what has come to be known as financial leverage. The risk borne by shareholders that accompanies that leverage is known as financial risk. As the proportion of debt in the capital structure increases, so does the degree of financial leverage and thus shareholders' risk and consequently the shareholders' requirements regarding expected return, i.e., the expected return on common equity or, in regulatory jargon, the cost of common equity capital.

Alternatively, the financial riskiness of the firm, some might argue, is more appropriately revealed when expressed in terms of debt leverage, particularly when preferred stock is present in the capital structure. Such leverage is the ratio of long-term debt capital to total investor-supplied capital. Both approaches are clearly insightful and useful. In evaluating the superiority of one approach in comparison to the other, one should consider the context within which the information is to be used. Since a major objective of this report is to review the reasonableness of the levels of earnings of the companies' common stockholders, and in consideration of the other key financial benchmarks which are also presented herein, the common equity capitalization ratio appears to be the most appropriate and meaningful measure of the financial riskiness of the companies for use in this regard.

#### The Pretax Interest Coverage Ratio

The pretax interest coverage ratio is the number of times earnings, determined before consideration of income taxes and interest charges, cover annual interest charges. That financial indicator is particularly important to debt investors because holders of the company's outstanding debt, including long-term bonds, receive interest payments from the company before any earnings are determined to be available for distribution to preferred or common equity investors. Pretax interest coverage is measured before income taxes because interest expense is deductible in arriving at taxable income. Therefore, generally speaking, debt

holders can expect to be paid before the company incurs any liability for the payment of income taxes. From the debt holder's perspective, all other things remaining equal, the higher the pretax interest coverage the better.

#### The Overall Rate of Return

The overall rate of return measures the profitability of a firm from the standpoint of earnings on total investment, including investment funded by both debt and equity investors. Specifically, in the public utility regulatory environment, it is the ratio of operating income to total investment.

#### The Propriety of the Methodology

The foregoing financial benchmarks, as presented in this report, have been determined on the basis of the companies' actual operating experience. Under rate base, rate of return regulation, North Carolina statutes require that the companies' rates be determined on a normalized, pro forma, end-of-period basis based upon an historical test year. Stated alternatively, the Commission, in setting prospective rates, essentially, must take into account the company's current level of operations adjusted for known and material changes in the levels of revenues and costs that the company can reasonably be expected to experience over a reasonable period of time into the future. Thus, rates, which are established for use prospectively, are set, to a certain extent and within certain constraints, on the basis of revenue and cost expectations, including investor expectations regarding their return requirements, as opposed to simply setting prospective rates solely on the basis of actual operating experience.

The process of setting prospective rates is inherently and exceedingly time consuming, difficult, and otherwise costly to both companies and regulators. It involves the assimilation, investigation, and evaluation of enormous amounts of complex information and data which invariably leads to multifarious issues; many, if not most, of which must be resolved through adjudication.

It is far less difficult and costly to perform an intellectual, financial analysis of the need to undertake the aforesaid process. Such preliminary analysis avoids the unnecessary incursion of the immense costs of setting prospective rates. Those are precisely the reasons why this report is focused on a review of the returns on common equity and other key financial ratios which the companies are currently earning or achieving under their existing rates and charges. Those ratios, when considered in conjunction with statutory rate making requirements, prevailing economic conditions, and certain other financial indicators, including returns on common equity and overall rates of return currently being authorized by other public utility regulatory agencies, are meaningful indicators of the need, if any, for further, more extensive regulatory review.

From the standpoint of giving an added measure of meaning to the aforesaid ratios of the individual companies and in the interest of providing a sense of current financial market conditions, certain financial information has been included herein as notes to the first statement included in Part II of this report. Such notes are an integral part of this report.

Additionally, also from the standpoint of providing perspective, returns on common equity and overall rates of return currently being authorized by a number of other public utility regulatory agencies are provided in the second statement presented in Part II.

#### A Final Note

It is emphasized that the information contained in this report is not intended and should not be construed to be all inclusive from the standpoint of the criteria to be used in assessing the reasonableness of the companies existing rates. But rather, it is submitted that such information is clearly relevant to such a determination and as such should be considered in conjunction with all other pertinent information and data.

The Operations Division will be pleased to receive and respond to any questions or comments.

# Part II

# A Review of Key Financial Ratios

- Summary Statement of Key Financial Ratios For Eight Selected Companies For The Twelve Months Ended March 31, 2007 — Returns on Common Equity, Overall Rates of Return, Common Equity Capitalization Ratios, and Debt Ratios — And Certain Rate Case Data
- Statement of Authorized Returns on Common Equity and Overall Rates of Return Granted By Various Public Utility Regulatory Agencies As Reported By Public Utilities Reports, Volume Nos. 248-258 from May 2006 Through August 2007

#### **Summary Statement**

#### Of Key Financial Ratios Achieved By And Authorized For Selected Companies

"Estimated Returns on Common Equity, Overall Rates of Return,
Common Equity Capitalization Ratios, and Debt Ratios are for Twelve Months Ended March 31, 2007,
Except for Certain Telecommunications Companies - See Note [1]"

"Rate Case Data are from Orders with Various Issue Dates as Indicated In Column (i)"

		Estimated for 12 Months Ended 03/31/07			03/31/07	Authorized - Last Rate Case			ie
Line <u>No.</u>	<u>item</u> (a)	Return On <u>Equity</u> (b)	Overall Rate of Return (c)	Equity <u>Ratio</u> (d)	Debt <u>Ratio</u> (e)	Return On <u>Equity</u> (f)	Overall Rate of <u>Return</u> (g)	Equity <u>Ratio</u> (h)	Date of Last <u>Order</u> (i)
	Electric Companies								
1.	Carolina Power & Light Company, d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc.	9.42%	7.58%	46.91%	52.24%	12.75%	10.45%	44.00%	08/05/1988
2.	Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC	10.92%	8.39%	52.00%	48.00%	12.50%	10.44%	49.82%	11/12/1991
3.	Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, Nantahala Area, d/b/a Duke Energy - Nantahala Area	7.80%	7,13%	52.00%	48.00%	11.00%	9.22%	49.61%	11/05/1996
4.	Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion North Carolina Power	5.00%	5.37%	52.19%	41.76%	N/A	N/A	N/A	03/18/2005
	Natural Gas Local Distribution Companies								
5,	Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.	12.15%	9.33%	48.97%	51.03%	N/A	9.04%	N/A	11/03/2005
6.	Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc.	8.62%	7.66%	49.27%	50.73%	N/A	8.90%	N/A	10/23/2006
	Telecommunications Companies								
	Rate of Return Regulated Companies								
7.	Citizens Telephone Company	5.87%	6.39%	87.65%	12.35%	12.70%	10.11%	44.95%	02/26/1991
8.	LEXCOM Telephone Company	12.99%	12.77%	97.88%	2.12%	16.25%	12.77%	37.22%	06/14/1982
	Price Plan Regulated Companies	Data is	not available	e. See Note [1	<b>1</b> ]				

- BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a AT&T North Carolina
- 10. Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company
- 11. Central Telephone Company
- 12. Concord Telephone Company
- 13. MEBTEL Communications
- 14. North State Communications
- 15. Verizon South Inc.
- 16. Windstream North Carolina, Inc.

#### NOTES:

- [1] Reporting requirement changes for the major price regulated telephone companies were implemented, in response to passage of Senate Bill 814, by Commission Orders dated January 2 and April 16, 2004, in Docket No. P-100, Sub 72b, effective for reporting periods beginning with calendar year 2003. The April 16, 2004 Order approved the Annual Report Proposal submitted, on March 4, 2004, by the major price regulated telephone companies, which effectively superseded the annual TS-1 Report previously required. Consequently, beginning with the 4th quarter 2003 "Quarterly Review", which includes information and data for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2003, earnings and certain other data for the price regulated telephone companies are no longer provided.
- [2] N/A denotes that the data is not available.
- [3] In its March 18, 2005 Order Approving Stipulation, the Commission did not make certain determinations with respect to Dominion North Carolina Power's (Dominion's) capital structure and rates of return. The Commission concluded that the stipulation presented an appropriate resolution of the contested matters in the rate case proceeding and resulted in just and reasonable rates for Dominion, without making specific findings regarding rate base, operating revenues and expenses, the overall rate of return, and the return on common equity.
- [4] In its November 3, 2005 Order Approving Partial Rate Increase and Requiring Conservation Initiative, the Commission authorized the consolidation of the operations, revenues, rate bases, and expenses of North Carolina Natural Gas, Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc., and Eastern North Carolina Natural Gas into a single regulated entity. In said Order, the Commission made specific findings regarding the combined rate bases, operating revenues and expenses, and the overall rate of return; however, specific findings relating to the combined capital structure and return on common equity were not provided therein.
- [5] Effective with the December 2005 NCUC GS-1 Report, financial and operational information for Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc., North Carolina Natural Gas, and Eastern North Carolina Natural Gas are reported as one consolidated entity under the name, Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.
- [6] In its October 23, 2006 Order Approving Partial Rate Increase, the Commission made specific findings regarding rate base, operating revenues and expenses, and the overall rate of return for Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc.; however, specific findings relating to the capital structure and return on common equity were not provided therein.

# Summary Statement Of Key Financial Ratios Achieved by And Authorized for Selected Companies

"Estimated Returns on Common Equity, Overall Rates of Return, Common Equity Capitalization Ratios, and Debt Ratios are for Twelve Months Ended March 31, 2007, Except for Certain Telecommunications Companies - See Note [1]"

#### NOTES - continued

#### NOTES:

In 2004, Standard & Poor's Rating Services assigned new business profile scores to U.S. utility and power companies including investor-owned electric, natural gas, and water utilities in the U.S. and excluding telecommunications utilities, to better reflect the relative business risk among companies in the U.S. utility and power companies sector. The business profile scores assess the qualitative attributes of a company, with "1" being considered lowest risk and "10" highest risk. As of June 2004 the overall median business profile score is "5". The range was 2 to 7 for the six utilities which are, in part, regulated by the North Carolina Utilities Commission included in the June 2004 article published by Standard & Poor's.

For most companies in this sector, business profile scores are assessed using five categories; specifically, "regulation, markets, operations, competitiveness, and management". The emphasis placed on each category may be influenced by the dominant strategy of the company or other factors. For example, for a regulated transmission and distribution company, regulation may account for 30% to 40% of the business profile score because regulation can be the single-most important credit driver for this type of company. Conversely, competition, which may not exist for a transmission and distribution company, would provide a much lower proportion (e.g., 5% to 15%) of the business profile.

In 2004, Standard & Poor's also revised the key financial guidelines that it uses as an integral part of evaluating the credit quality of U.S. utility and power companies. The financial guidelines for three principal ratios: (1) funds from operations interest coverage, (2) funds from operations to total debt, and (3) total debt to total capital were broadened to be more flexible; and pretax interest coverage as a key credit ratio was eliminated. The rating analysis performed by Standard & Poor's not only takes into account these three financial ratios and other financial ratios that do not have published guidelines for each rating category; but it is also influenced by other factors, including (1) effectiveness of liability and liquidity management, (2) analysis of internal funding sources, (3) return on invested capital, (4) the record of execution of stated business strategies, (5) accuracy of projected performance versus actual results, as well as the trend, (6) assessment of management's financial policies and attitude toward credit, and (7) corporate governance practices.

The published guidelines, as of June 2004, for the three aforementioned financial ratios are, according to Standard & Poor's, only guidelines associated with expectations for various rating levels. Such guidelines, which remain current as of August 2007, for business profiles 1-10 are set forth below:

#### Funds from operations/interest coverage (x):

Business Profile*	Α	A	A		BE	BB	E	3B
1	3	2.5	2.5	1.5	1.5	1		
2	4	3	3	2	2	1		
3	4.5	3.5	3.5	2.5	2.5	1.5	1.5	1
4	5	4.2	4.2	3.5	3.5	2.5	2.5	1.5
5	5.5	4.5	4.5	3.8	3.8	2.8	2.8	1.8
6	6	5.2	5.2	4.2	4.2	3	3	2
7	8	6.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	3.2	3.2	2.2
8	10	7.5	7.5	5.5	5.5	3.5	3.5	2.5
9			10	7	7	4	4	2.8
10			11	8	8	5	5	3

<sup>\*</sup>See Standard & Poor's Rating Services' publications for explanation of this score.

#### Funds from operations/total debt (%):

Business Profile*	Α	A		4	BE	BB	E	B
1	20	15	15	10	10	5		
2	25	20	20	12	12	8		
3	30	25	25	15	15	10	10	5
4	35	28	28	20	20	12	12	8
5	40	30	30	22	22	15	15	10
6	45	35	35	28	28	18	18	12
7	55	45	45	30	30	20	20	15
8	70	55	55	40	40	25	25	15
9			65	45	45	30	30	20
10			70	55	55	40	40	25

<sup>\*</sup>See Standard & Poor's Rating Services' publications for explanation of this score.

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#### NOTES: Total debt/total capital (%):

Business Profile*	Α	Α	-	+	BE	B	Ê	BB
1	48	55	55	60	60	70		
2	45	52	52	58	58	68		
3	42	50	50	55	55	65	65	70
4	38	45	45	52	52	62	62	68
5	35	42	42	50	50	60	60	65
6	32	40	40	48	48	58	58	62
7	30	38	38	45	45	55	55	60
8	25	35	35	42	42	52	52	58
9			32	40	40	50	50	55
10			25	35	35	48	48	52

<sup>\*</sup>See Standard & Poor's Ratings Services' publications for explanation of this score.

[8] Selected financial market indicators from "Moody's Credit Perspectives", Volume 100, No. 35, September 3, 2007 follow:

		v.s	. Treasury Secur	Dealer- Placed	Moody's Long-Term	
Line No.	<u>Date</u> (a)	3-Month Bill <u>%</u> (b)	10-Year Note <u>%</u> (c)	30-Year Bond <u>%</u> (d)	3-Month CP <u>%</u> (e)	Corporate Bond Yield <u>%</u> (f)
1.	August 24, 2007	4.53	4.48	4.68	6.08	6.26
<b>2</b> .	August 27, 2007	4.39	4.38	4.61	6.09	6.22
3.	August 28, 2007	4.39	4.38	4.61	6.15	6.21
4.	August 29, 2007	3.62	4.32	4.58	5.94	6.24
5.	August 30, 2007	3.62	4.32	4.58	6.16	6.20
6.	Month of July 2007	4.91	5.04	5.11	5.30	6.26
7.	Month of June 2007	4.72	5.09	5.21	5.33	6.32

#### Part II

Moody's public utility long-term bond yield averages (%):

			Past 12 Months		Monthly Average		
Line No.	<u>Rating</u>	08/30/2007	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>	July 2007	June 2007	
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	<b>(f)</b>	
1.	Aaa	-	-	-	-	-	
2.	Aa	6.06	6.18	5.61	6.11	6.18	
3.	Α	6.16	6.30	5.80	6.25	6.30	
4.	Baa	6.44	6.54	6.04	6.49	6.54	

[9] According to "Moody's Credit Perspectives", Volume 100, No. 35, as of 12/10/01 the "Aaa" Utilities Index will be discontinued indefinitely.

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NOTES: [10] Selected financial market indicators from "Moody's Credit Perspectives", Volume 100, No. 35, September 3, 2007 follow - continued:

Part III

New bond offerings by public utilities – listing is all inclusive for week of September 3, 2007:

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Line <u>No.</u>	<u>Company Name</u> (a)	Amount (b)	Term (c)	Current (d)	Maturity (e)	Rating (f)
1.	PPL Electric Utilities Corporation	\$250 Million	30 Years	6.45%	6.47%	А3
2.	Public Service Company of Colorado	\$350 Million	30 Years	6.25%	6.34%	<b>A</b> 3
3.	Wisconsin Power and Light Company	\$300 Million	30 Years	6.375%	6.415%	A2
4.	PPL Electric Utilities Corporation	\$68 Million	30 Years	6.45%	_	Aaa
5.	Appalachian Power Company	\$250 Million	5 Years	5.65%	5.68%	Baa2
6.	Appalachian Power Company	\$250 Million	30 Years	6.70%	6.69%	Baa2
7.	Western Massachusetts Electric Company	\$40 Million	30 Years	6.70%	6.74%	Baa2
8.	Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.	\$525 Million	30 Years	6.30%	6.34%	A1
9.	MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company (Partial 144A)	\$1 Billion	30 Years	6.50%	6.58%	Baa1
10.	Georgia Power Company	\$250 Million	33 Years	6.00%	6.00%	Aaa
11.	Pennsylvania Electric Company (Partial 144A)	\$300 Million	10 Years	6.05%	6.07%	Baa2
12.	AT&T Inc.	\$2 Billion	30 Years	6.50%	6.53%	A2

<sup>[11]</sup> The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) adopted Rule 144A in 1990. Rule 144A is an exemption provision of the Securities Act of 1933 whereby securities can be sold through private placement to Qualified Institutional Buyers within the United States without SEC registration. Rule 144A issues may have higher yields than publicly issued bonds because Rule 144A issues are less liquid than public bond issues; the disclosure requirements for Rule 144A issues are less stringent; and public debt issuers bear more legal liability than Rule 144A issuers.

#### Statement of Authorized Returns

#### On Common Equity and Overall Rates of Return

#### Granted By Various Public Utility Regulatory Agencies As Reported In Public Utilities Reports, Volume Nos. 248-258, from May 2006 through August 2007 (Statement Is All Inclusive With Respect To Returns Published)

		Authorize	ed Returns		Volume No.	
Line <u>No.</u>	Company (Jurisdiction) (a)	Common Equity (b)	Overall (c)	Date Of <u>Order</u> (d)	Public Utilities <u>Reports</u> (e)	
	Electric Companies					
1.	Kentucky Power Company (KY)	10.50%	N/A	03/14/2006	Volume 248	
2.	Commonwealth Edison Company (IL)	10.05%	8.01%	07/26/2006	Volume 250	
3.	Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation (NY)	9.60%	[1] N/A	07/24/2006	Volume 251	
4.	New York State Electric and Gas Corporation (NY)	9.55%	7.18%	08/23/2006	Volume 252	
5.	Northern States Power Company, d/b/a Xcel Energy, (MN)	10.54%	8.81%	09/01/2006	Volume 253	
6.	Superior Water, Light & Power Company (WI)	11.00%	9.08%	12/26/2006	Volume 254	
7.	PacifiCorp (UT)	10.25%	N/A	12/01/2006	Volume 254	
8.	Portland General Electric Company (OR)	10.10%	8.29%	01/12/2007	Volume 254	
9.	Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (WA)	10.40%	8.40%	01/05/2007	Volume 255	
10.	Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company (AR)	10.00%	5.36%	01/05/2007	Volume 255	
11.	Monongahela Power Company, d/b/a Allegheny Power (WV)	10.50%	8.44%	05/22/2007	Volume 257	
12.	Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE (MO)	10.20%	N/A	05/22/2007	Volume 257	
13.	PacifiCorp, d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company (WA)	10.20%	8.06%	06/21/2007	Volume 257	
14	Aquila, Inc. (MO)	10.25%	N/A	05/17/2007	Volume 257	
15.	Entergy Arkansas, Inc. (AR)	9.90%	N/A	06/15/2007	Volume 258	
	Natural Gas Local Distribution Companies					
16.	Sierra Pacific Power Company (NV)	10.60%	N/A	04/27/2006	Volume 248	
17.	Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation (NY)	9.60%	[1] N/A	07/24/2006	Volume 251	
18.	Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (NY)	9.80%	N/A	10/20/2006	Volume 252	
19.	Consumers Energy Company (MI)	11.00%	6.69%	11/21/2006	Volume 253	
20.	CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas, a Division of CenterPoint Energy Resources Corporation (MN)	9.71%	7.54%	11/02/2006	Volume 254	
21.	Superior Water, Light & Power Company (WI)	11.00%	9.08%	12/26/2006	Volume 254	
22.	Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (WA)	N/A	8.85%	01/12/2007	Volume 254	
23.	PPL Gas Utilities Corporation (PA)	10.40%	8.45%	02/08/2007	Volume 255	

#### Statement of Authorized Returns

#### On Common Equity and Overall Rates of Return

# Granted By Various Public Utility Regulatory Agencies As Reported In Public Utilities Reports, Volume Nos. 248-258, from May 2006 through August 2007

(Statement is All Inclusive With Respect To Returns Published)

		Authorized	d Returns		Volume No.	
Line	<b>6</b> (1) do <b>8</b> -8-3	Common		Date Of	Public Utilities	
<u>No.</u>	Company (Jurisdiction) (a)	Equity /b\	Overall (C)	<u>Order</u> (d)	Reports	
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(0)	(e)	
	Natural Gas Local Distribution Companies (continued)					
24.	Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (WA)	10.40%	8.40%	01/05/2007	Volume 255	
25.	Missouri Gas Energy, a Division of Southern Union Company (MO)	10.50%	N/A	03/30/2007	Volume 256	
26.	Public Service Company of Colorado (CO)	10.25%	8.67%	06/18/2007	Volume 258	
	Water Companies					
27.	Water and Wastewater Utilities (FL)	[2]	N/A	06/27/2006	Volume 250	
28.	Arizona-American Water Company (AZ)	10. <b>40</b> %	7.24%	07/28/2006	Volume 251	
29.	Aqua Virginia (VA)	10.00%	N/A	09/21/2006	Volume 252	
30.	Superior Water, Light & Power Company (WI)	11.00%	9.08%	12/26/2006	Volume 254	
31.	Wedgewood Park Water Company, Inc. (IN)	11.00%	10.48%	01/03/2007	Volume 256	
32.	San Gabriel Valley Water Company	9.90%	[3]	04/12/2007	Volume 258	

#### Notes:

 <sup>[1]</sup> The rate plan provides that if the utility achieves a regulatory return on common equity above 10.6%, the earnings would be shared as follows: above 10.6% and up to 11.6%, equal sharing between the utility and ratepayers; above 11.6% and up to 14.0%, 35%/50% sharing between the utility and ratepayers respectively; earnings above 14% would be deferred for the benefit of ratepayers.
 [2] The Florida Public Service Commission's June 27, 2006 Order established an authorized range of returns on common equity (ROE)

<sup>[2]</sup> The Florida Public Service Commission's June 27, 2006 Order established an authorized range of returns on common equity (ROE) for water and wastewater utilities. The authorized range is based upon a leverage formula which, when applied, produces a range of authorized ROEs running from 8.97% at a 100% equity to 11.54% at 40% equity. The ROE is capped at 11.54% for all water and wastewater utilities with equity ratios of less than 40%. The docket (No. 060006-WS) remains open to allow commission staff to monitor capital markets and to readdress the reasonableness of the leverage formula as warranted.

<sup>[3]</sup> The California Public Utilities Commission adopted stipulated overall rates of return of 9.33% for test year 2006-2007 and 9.35% for test year 2007-2008.

<sup>[4]</sup> N/A denotes that information is not available.

## Part III

# Overviews of Selected Financial and Operational Data by Utility:

- Electric Companies
  - Carolina Power & Light Company, d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc.
  - Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC
  - Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, Nantahala Area, d/b/a Duke Energy – Nantahala Area
  - Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion North Carolina Power
- Natural Gas Local Distribution Companies
  - Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.
  - Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc.
- Telecommunications Companies
  - BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a AT&T North Carolina
  - Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company
  - Central Telephone Company
  - Citizens Telephone Company
  - Concord Telephone Company
  - LEXCOM Telephone Company
  - MEBTEL Communications
  - North State Communications
  - Verizon South Inc.
  - Windstream North Carolina, Inc.

## CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY, d/b/a PROGRESS ENERGY CAROLINAS, INC. SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Retail Jurisdiction (Amounts In Thousands)

			Annual Growth Rate					
Line		March	March	Four	Current			
No.	<u>ltem</u>	2007	2006	2005	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	<b>(f)</b>	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue	\$2,955,146	\$2,839,990	\$2,628,411	\$2,569,505	\$2,604,412	3.21%	4.05%
2.	Operating Expenses:							
3.	Fuel	820,359	710,345	637,665	616,105	593,437	8.43%	15.49%
4.	Purchased Power	222,698	237,903	222,905	206,422	253,118	-3.15%	-6.39%
5.	Maintenance	195,807	176,026	172,922	145,877	173,043	3.14%	11.24%
6.	Other Operating Expenses	<u>489,768</u>	<u>546,419</u>	<u>465,891</u>	<u>444,630</u>	<u>411,788</u>	<u>4.43%</u>	<u>-10.37%</u>
7.	Total Operating Expenses	1,728,632	1,670,693	1,499,383	1,413,034	1,431,386	4.83%	3.47%
8.	Depreciation & Amortization	<u>443,601</u>	445,201	<u>460,700</u>	<u>420,914</u>	400,629	<u>2.58%</u>	<u>-0.36%</u>
9.	Total Expenses & Depreciation	2,172,233	2,115,894	1,960,083	1,833,948	1,832,015	4.35%	2.66%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	362.817	<u>337,434</u>	<u>334,949</u>	<u>344.378</u>	<u>370,479</u>	<u>-0.52%</u>	7.52%
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	2,535,050	2,453,328	2,295,032	<u>2,178,326</u>	2,202,494	<u>3.58%</u>	3.33%
12.	Operating Income	\$420,096	\$386,662	\$333.379	<u>\$391.179</u>	<u>\$401.918</u>	<u>1.11%</u>	8.65%
13.	Net Plant Investment	\$4,704.656	\$4.702.157	\$4.622.666	\$4.617.040	\$4.668.702	0.19%	0.05%
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14.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	58.50%	58.83%	57.05%	54.99%	54.96%	1.57%	-0.56%
15.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$1.59	\$1.66	\$1.76	\$1.80	\$1.79	-2.92%	-4.22%
17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27.	Residential Commercial Industrial Other Total Number of Customers  Annual Sales Volume: (Millions kWh) Residential Commercial Industrial Other Total Sales	1,051,685 186,657 3,494 1,978 1,243,814 14,435 11,787 9,227 2,044 37,493	1,028,351 183,467 3,541 2,064 1,217,423 14,259 11,542 9,433 2,798 38,032	1,003,875 178,690 3,611 2,132 1,188,308 13,793 11,290 9,684 2,430 37,197	983,325 173,081 3,694 2,263 1.162,363 13,341 10,927 9,500 3,846 37,614	964,290 168,794 3,772 2,301 1.139,157 13,672 10,931 9,896 5,134 39,633	2.19% 2.55% -1.90% -3.71% 2.22% 1.37% 1.90% -1.73% -20.57% -1.38%	2.279 1.749 -1.339 -4.179 2.179 1.239 2.129 -2.189 -26.959 -1.429
28.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	7.58%	7.56%	7.00%	8.55%	9.08%	-4.41%	0.26%
29.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	9.42%	9.49%	8.13%	11.05%	12.05%	-5.97%	-0.74%
30.	Common Equity Ratio	46.91%	47.60%	50.82%	50:53%	50.11%	-1.64%	-1.45%
31,	Debt Ratio	52.24%	51.51%	48.26%	48.55%	48.97%	1.63%	1.429
32.	Estimated Pretax Interest Coverage	3.58	3.74	3.86	4.49	4.78	-6.97%	-4.289

Notes:

<sup>[1]</sup> North Carolina retail jurisdictional revenue equates to 71% of total company electric utility revenue.
[2] Net Plant Investment reflects net plant in service.
[3] Source of Data: NCUC ES-1 Reports.

#### **DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC** SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Retail Jurisdiction (Amounts In Thousands)

				12 Months End	ded		Growth	ıual h Rate
Line		March	March	March	March	March	Four	Curren
<u>No.</u>	<u>ltem</u>	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	Year	Year
140.	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue	\$3,759,615	\$3,621,177	\$3,484,969	\$3,412,406	\$3,452,299	2.15%	3.829
2.	Operating Expenses:							
3.	Fuel	887,442	698,728	640,212	586,381	565,545	11.92%	27.01
4.	Purchased Power	105,506	52,807	131,758	278,490	295,256	-22.68%	99.80
			332,588	325,733	,			
5.	Maintenance	330,223			315,396	383,658	-3.68%	-0.71
6.	Other Operating Expenses	<u>686,608</u>	<u>686,522</u>	600,427	<u>676,604</u>	<u>636,833</u>	<u>1.90%</u>	<u>0.01</u>
7.	Total Operating Expenses	2,009,779	1,770,645	1,698,130	1,856,871	1,881,292	1.67%	13.51
8.	Depreciation & Amortization	<u>687.012</u>	<u>737,452</u>	729,862	<u>551,698</u>	<u>448,557</u>	<u>11.25%</u>	<u>-6.84</u>
9.	Total Expenses & Depreciation	2,696,791	2,508,097	2,427,992	2,408,569	2,329,849	3.72%	7.52
0.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>442,690</u>	<u>486,479</u>	<u>465,381</u>	447,323	480,1 <u>08</u>	<u>-2.01%</u>	<u>-9.00</u>
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	3,139,481	2,994,576	2,893,373	2.855,892	2,809,957	<u>2.81%</u>	4.84
12.	Operating Income	\$620,134	\$626,601	\$591,596	\$556.514	\$642.342	-0.88%	<u>-1.03</u>
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13.	Net Plant Investment	\$8,650,350	<u>\$8,221.001</u>	\$8.022.004	<u>\$7.449.916</u>	\$6.941.319	<u>5.66%</u>	5,22
14,	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	53.46%	48.90%	48.73%	54.42%	54.49%	-0.48%	9.33
15.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$2.30	\$2.27	\$2.30	\$2.18	\$2.01	3.43%	1.32
. •.	The transfer of the tender	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b> =.= <i>r</i>	<b>V</b> 2.00	42.10	<b>\$2</b> ,0 \	5.15%	
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16.	Number of Customers Served (000s included)	ded):						
17.	Residential	1,467,777	1,435,614	1,407,972	1,378,334	1,356,720	1.99%	2.24
8.	Commercial	237,690	233,878	228,958	224,243	219,403	2.02%	1.63
19.	Industrial	5,469	5,591	5,651	5,716	5,917	-1.95%	-2.18
20.	Other				•	•		
:u. !1.	Total Number of Customers	<u>10,307</u> 1.721.243	<u>9,867</u> 1.684.950	<u>10,475</u> <u>1.653.056</u>	<u>9,261</u> 1.617.554	<u>8,939</u> 1.590.979	<u>3.62%</u> 1.99%	<u>4.46</u> 2.15
2.	Annual Sales Volume: (Millions kWh)							
23.	Residential	19,425	19,102	1 <b>8</b> ,5 <b>1</b> 7	17,865	18,557	1.15%	1.69
4.	Commercial	20,409	19,771	19,532	18,960	18,948	1.87%	3.23
25.	Industrial	14,232	14,884	15,229	14,639	15,696	-2.42%	-4.38
6.	Other	<u>1,133</u>	<u>485</u>	<u>994</u>	2,762	3,084	<u>-22.15%</u>	133.61
7.	Total Sales	<u>55,199</u>	<u>54.242</u>	54,272	54.226	56.285	-0.49%	1.76
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28.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	8.39%	9.10%	9.15%	9,13%	10.82%	-6.16%	-7.80
9.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	10,92%	12.55%	12.73%	12.20%	14.48%	-6.81%	-12.99
80.	Common Equity Ratio	52,00%	52.80%	53.88%	54.96%	57.43%	-2.45%	-1.52
1.	Debt Ratio	48.00%	45.70%	44.62%	43.54%	40.96%	4.04%	5.03
	Estimated Pretax Interest Coverage							
32.	Ratio (Times)	4.16	5.44	5.98	5.68	6,48	-10.49%	-23.53

Notes:

(Docket No. E-7, Sub 487)

<sup>[1]</sup> North Carolina retail jurisdictional revenue equates to 69% of total company electric utility revenue.
[2] Net Plant Investment reflects net plant in service.

<sup>[3]</sup> Source of Data: NCUC ES-1 Reports.

 <sup>[4]</sup> The estimated ROE impacts of the BPM net revenues under the sharing arrangement approved in Docket No. E-7, Sub 751 are as follows for the 12-month periods ending March 31st: 2007 - 0.33%; 2006 - 1.06%; 2005 - 0.38%; 2004 - 0.30%; and 2003 - N/A. (N/A denotes not applicable). Such impacts are not included in the estimated ROEs presented on Line 29 above.

#### DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC, NANTAHALA AREA, d/b/a **DUKE ENERGY - NANTAHALA AREA**

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA North Carolina Retail Jurisdiction

(Amounts In Thousands)

				Annual Growth Rate					
.ine		March						Current	
<u> </u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>	
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	<b>(f)</b>	(g)	(h)	
1.	Operating Revenue	\$97,211	\$90,925	\$83,986	\$80,799	\$78,587	5.46%	6.91%	
2.	Operating Expenses: Purchased Power	48,989	42,968	38.042	35,407	34,093	9.49%	14.019	
3. 4.	Maintenance	8,201	8,355	7,213	6,244	7,011	4.00%	-1.849	
5.	Other Operating Expenses	7,549	8.281	6,824	7,242	<u>8,291</u>	-2.32%	<u>-8.849</u>	
6.	Total Operating Expenses	64,739	59,604	52,079	48,893	49,395	7.00%	8.629	
7.	Depreciation & Amortization	<u>10,346</u>	<u>10,544</u>	9,337	<u>8,737</u>	<u>8,062</u>	<u>6.43%</u>	<u>-1.889</u>	
8.	Total Expenses & Depreciation	75,085	70,148	61,416	57,630	57,457	6.92%	7.04%	
9.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>8,736</u>	<u>7,333</u>	<u>8,889</u>	9.047	<u>9,251</u>	<u>-1.42%</u>	<u>19.139</u>	
10.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>83,821</u>	<u>77,481</u>	70,305	<u>66,677</u>	<u>66,708</u>	<u>5.88%</u>	<u>8.189</u>	
<b>1</b> 1.	Operating Income	<u>\$13.390</u>	<u>\$13,444</u>	<u>\$13.681</u>	\$14.122	<u>\$11.879</u>	3.04%	<u>-0.40</u> 9	
12.	Net Plant Investment	\$219.84 <u>4</u>	\$209.473	<u>\$199.391</u>	\$196.076	<u>\$188.973</u>	3.86%	4.959	
13.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	66.60%	65.55%	62.01%	60.51%	62.85%	1.46%	1.60	
14.	Net Plt. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$2.26	\$2.30	\$2.37	\$2.43	\$2.40	-1.49%	-1.74	
	Number of Customers Served (000s includ	•	62 181	60 564	50 191	<b>59</b> 043	2 379/	2 53	
16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24.	Number of Customers Served (000s included Residential Commercial Industrial Other Total Number of Customers  Annual Sales Volume: (Millions kWh) Residential Commercial Industrial Other Total Sales	63,753 7,120 14 11 70,898 671 444 136 2 1,253	62,181 7,070 14 11 69,276 649 442 136 2 1,229	60,564 6,980 13 11 67,568 617 438 128 2 1.185	59,181 6,953 13 11 66.158 606 423 120 2 1.151	58,043 6,947 13 11 65,014 586 423 118 2 1,129	2.37% 0.62% 1.87% 0.00% 2.19% 3.44% 1.22% 3.61% 0.00% 2.64%	0.71 0.00 0.00 2.34 3.39 0.45 0.00 0.00	
22. 23. 24. 25. 26.	Residential Commercial Industrial Other Total Number of Customers  Annual Sales Volume: (Millions kWh) Residential Commercial Industrial Other	63,753 7,120 14 11 70.898 671 444 136 2	7,070 14 11 69,276 649 442 136 2	6,980 13 11 67,568 617 438 128	6,953 13 11 66.158 606 423 120	6,947 13 11 65,014 586 423 118	0.62% 1.87% 0.00% 2.19% 3.44% 1.22% 3.61% 0.00%	2.53 0.71 0.00 0.00 2.34 3.39 0.45 0.00 0.00 1.95	
16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26.	Residential Commercial Industrial Other Total Number of Customers  Annual Sales Volume: (Millions kWh) Residential Commercial Industrial Other Total Sales	63,753 7,120 14 11 70.898 671 444 136 2 1.253	7,070 14 11 69,276 649 442 136 2 1,229	6,980 13 11 67.568 617 438 128 2 1.185	6,953 13 11 66.158 606 423 120 2 1.151	6,947 13 11 65.014 586 423 118 2 1.129	0.62% 1.87% 0.00% 2.19% 3.44% 1.22% 3.61% 0.00% 2.64%	0.71 0.00 0.00 2.34 3.39 0.45 0.00 0.00 1.95	
16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26.	Residential Commercial Industrial Other Total Number of Customers  Annual Sales Volume: (Millions kWh) Residential Commercial Industrial Other Total Sales  Estimated Overall Rate of Return	63,753 7,120 14 11 70.898 671 444 136 2 1.253	7,070 14 11 69,276 649 442 136 2 1,229	6,980 13 11 67,568 617 438 128 2 1.185	6,953 13 11 66.158 606 423 120 2 1.151	6,947 13 11 65,014 586 423 118 2 1,129	0.62% 1.87% 0.00% 2.19% 3.44% 1.22% 3.61% 0.00% 2.64%	0.71 0.00 0.00 2.34 3.39 0.45 0.00 0.00 1.95	
16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26.	Residential Commercial Industrial Other Total Number of Customers  Annual Sales Volume: (Millions kWh) Residential Commercial Industrial Other Total Sales  Estimated Overall Rate of Return Estimated Return on Common Equity	63,753 7,120 14 11 70.898 671 444 136 2 1.253 7.13% 7.80%	7,070 14 11 69,276 649 442 136 2 1,229 7,45% 7,52%	6,980 13 11 67.568 617 438 128 2 1.185 7.74% 8.08%	6,953 13 11 66.158 606 423 120 2 1.151 7.96% 8.47%	6,947 13 11 65,014 586 423 118 2 1.129	0.62% 1.87% 0.00% 2.19% 3.44% 1.22% 3.61% 0.00% 2.64% 0.61% 2.93%	0.71 0.00 0.00 2.34 3.39 0.45 0.00 0.00 1.95	

Notes:

(Docket No. E-13, Sub 171)

North Carolina retail jurisdictional revenue equates to 97% of total company electric utility revenue.
 Net Plant Investment reflects net plant in service.
 Source of Data: NCUC ES-1 Reports.

#### VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY, d/b/a **DOMINION NORTH CAROLINA POWER**

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Retall Jurisdiction (Amounts in Thousands)

			1	12 Months Ended						
Line		March	March	March	March	March	<u>Growth</u> Four	Current		
No.	<u>ltem</u>	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	Year	Year		
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	<u>(f)</u>	(g)	(h)		
1.	Operating Revenue	\$295,046	\$284,691	\$286,270	\$260,159	\$267,302	2.50%	3.64%		
2.	Operating Expenses:									
3.	Fuel	74,807	62,236	62,908	46,790	42,382	15.26%	20.20%		
4.	Purchased Power	76,852	80,618	53,590	55,066	61,544	5.71%	-4.67%		
5.	Maintenance	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A		
6.	Other Operating Expenses	<u>60,671</u>	<u>53.014</u>	<u>56.126</u>	<u>51,898</u>	<u>47,974</u>	<u>6.05%</u>	<u>14.44%</u>		
7.	Total Operating Expenses	212,330	195,868	172,624	153,754	151,900	8.73%	8.40%		
8.	Depreciation & Amortization	<u>25,712</u>	<u>25,711</u>	<u>27,923</u>	<u>24,851</u>	<u>24,553</u>	<u>1.16%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>		
9.	Total Expenses & Depreciation	238,042	221,579	200,547	178,605	176,453	7.77%	7.43%		
0.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>30,705</u>	<u>27,150</u>	<u>38,180</u>	40,002	<u>40,430</u>	<u>-6.65%</u>	13.09%		
1.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>268,747</u>	<u>248,729</u>	238,727	218,607	<u>216,883</u>	<u>5.51%</u>	<u>8.05%</u>		
2.	Operating Income	\$26,299	\$35,962	\$47.543	<u>\$41.552</u>	\$50.419	<u>-15.02%</u>	<u>-26.87%</u>		
3.	Net Plant Investment	\$599.200	\$597.360	<u>\$589.516</u>	\$551.159	\$512,589	<u>3.98%</u>	<u>0.31%</u>		
4.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	71.97%	68.80%	60.30%	59.10%	56.83%	6.08%	4.61%		
5.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$2.03	\$2.10	\$2.06	\$2.12	\$1.92	1.40%	-3,33%		
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6.	Number of Customers Served (000s include	ded):								
7.	Residential	99,538	99,114	97,825	96,468	95,589	1.02%	0.43%		
8.	Commercial	15,399	15,388	15,314	15,161	15,142	0.42%	0.07%		
9.	Industrial	67	69	72	79	79	-4.04%	-2.90%		
٥.	Other	<u>2,238</u>	2,247	<u>2,250</u>	<u>2,254</u>	<u>2,274</u>	<u>-0.40%</u>	<u>-0.409</u>		
1.	Total Number of Customers	<u>117.242</u>	116,818	115.461	113.962	113.084	0.91%	0.369		
2.	Annual Sales Volume: (Millions kWh)									
3.	Residential	1,512	1,525	1,502	1,430	1,468	0.74%	-0.859		
4.	Commercial	785	771	773	743	756	0.95%	1.829		
5.	Industrial	1,745	1,747	1,786	1,613	1,656	1.32%	-0.119		
6.	Other	<u>145</u>	<u>148</u>	<u>152</u>	<u>149</u>	<u>146</u>	<u>-0.17%</u>	<u>-2.039</u>		
7.	Total Sales	4.187	4,191	4.213	3.935	4.026	0.99%	-0.10		
8.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	5.37%	7.22%	9.81%	9.31%	11.02%	-16.45%	-25.62%		
9.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	5.00%	8.85%	14.53%	12.95%	16.09%	-25.34%	-43.509		
0.	Common Equity Ratio	52.19%	48.55%	47.78%	48.63%	47.41%	2.43%	7.50%		
1.	Debt Ratio	41.76%	45.25%	45.75%	46.08%	46.30%	-2.55%	-7.719		
2.	Estimated Pretax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	3.49	3.69	5.78	5.51	5.43	-10.46%	-5.42%		

Notes:

(Docket No. E-22, Sub 412)

<sup>[1]</sup> North Carolina retail jurisdictional revenue equates to 5% of total company electric utility revenue.[2] Net Plant Investment reflects net plant in service.

<sup>[3]</sup> Source of Data: NCUC ES-1 Reports.

<sup>[4]</sup> N/A denotes that the data is not available or not applicable or that information is, essentially, unmeaningful.

# PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC. SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Jurisdiction
(Amounts in Thousands)

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		<u>\$1,306,456</u>	<u>6.87%</u>
ing Exp. as a % of Margin	40.75%	41.88%	-2.70%
. Investment per \$ of Margin	\$3.81	\$3.72	2.42%
elivered in DTs (000s omitted):			0.000/
sidential	33,746	33,538	0.62%
mmercial	23,683	23,068	2.67%
ustrial	9,700	11,142	-12.94%
blic Authorities	30	30	0.00%
sale	0	712	N/A
ner	<u>83,416</u>	<u>74.477</u>	<u>12.00%</u>
DTs	<u> 150.575</u>	142.967	<u>5.32%</u>
er of Customers (000s included):			
sidential	587,477	571,321	2.83%
mmercial	64,169	63,637	0.84%
ustrial	1,759	1,793	-1.90%
blic Authorities	571	571	0.00%
sale	1	2	-50.00%
ner	<u>555</u>	<u>576</u>	-3.65%
lumber of Customers	654.532	637,900	2.61%
ited Overall Rate of Return	9.33%	8.89%	4.95%
	12.15%	11.00%	10.45%
ited Return on Common Equity	48.97%	53.28%	-8.09%
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Notes: [1] North Carolina retail jurisdictional revenue equates to 58% of total company gas utility revenue.

[2] Net Plant Investment reflects net plant in service.

[3] Source of Data: Shareholders' reports and the NCUC GS-1 Reports.

[5] N/A denotes that the data is not available or not applicable or that information is, essentially, unmeaningful.

<sup>[4]</sup> In its November 3, 2005 Order Approving Partial Rate Increase and Requiring Conservation Initiative, the Commission authorized the consolidation of the operations, revenues, rate bases, and expenses of North Carolina Natural Gas, Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc., and Eastern North Carolina Natural Gas into a single regulated entity. Consequently, effective with the December 2005 NCUC GS-1 Report, financial and operational information for Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc., North Carolina Natural Gas, and Eastern North Carolina Gas are reported as one consolidated entity under the name, Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. and consequently, comparisons to prior years are not meaningful.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Jurisdiction (Amounts In Thousands)

			12 Months Ended					
Line		March	March	March	March	March	Four	Current
No.	<u>ltem</u>	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue:				_			
2,	Residential	\$344,397	\$380,466	\$320,720	\$310,329	\$256,596	7.63%	-9.48%
3.	Commercial	156,551	193,177	154,334	149,559	112,418	8.63%	-18.96%
4.	Industrial	26,026	39,055	12,706	8,885	9,419	28.93%	-33.36%
5.	Public Authorities	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
3.	Resale	11	7	10	11	8	8.29%	57.14%
7.	Other	<u>37,306</u>	<u>54,215</u>	<u>48,599</u>	62,992	<u>46,544</u>	<u>-5.38%</u>	<u>-31.19%</u>
3,	Total Operating Revenue	<u>564,291</u>	<u>666,920</u>	<u>536,369</u>	<u>531,776</u>	<u>424,985</u>	<u>7.35%</u>	<u>-15.39%</u>
9.	Cost of Gas	<u>373,506</u>	<u>488,099</u>	<u>360,304</u>	<u>352,577</u>	<u>253,771</u>	<u>10.14%</u>	<u>-23.48%</u>
0.	Margin	190,785	178,821	176,065	179,199	171,214	2.74%	6.69%
1.	O & M Expenses	81,400	79,338	79,521	76,343	70,482	3.67%	2.60%
2.	Other Deductions	<u>59,839</u>	<u>57.879</u>	<u>54,652</u>	<u>57,026</u>	<u>56,326</u>	<u>1.52%</u>	3.39%
13.	Operating Income	<u>\$49.546</u>	\$41.604	\$41.892	\$45.830	<u>\$44.406</u>	2.78%	19.09%
14.	Net Plant Investment	<u>\$666.207</u>	<u>\$617.320</u>	\$591,446	<u>\$570.733</u>	\$559.303	<u>4.47%</u>	7.92%
15.	Operating Exp. as a % of Margin	42.67%	44.37%	45.17%	42.60%	41,17%	0.90%	-3.83%
16.	Net Plt. Investment per \$ of Margin	\$3.49	\$3.45	\$3.36	\$3.18	\$3.27	1.64%	1.16%
17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29.	Gas Delivered in DTs (000s omitted): Residential Commercial Industrial Public Authorities Resale Other Total DTs  Number of Customers (000s included): Residential Commercial Industrial Public Authorities Resale Other Total Number of Customers	23,543 13,047 2,829 0 1 29,595 69,015  405,910 39,319 226 0 2 428 445,885	23,062 14,169 2,889 0 1 27,465 67,586 389,055 38,871 61 0 3 378 428,368	23,864 14,242 1,446 0 1 29,908 69,461 375,214 38,471 49 0 3 396 414,133	25,045 14,555 1,145 0 1 29,279 70,025 359,972 37,411 48 0 3 407 397,841	25,613 14,586 1,499 0 2 30,247 71,947 348,758 36,470 44 0 4 405 385,681	-2.08% -2.75% 17.21% N/A -15.91% -0.54% -1.03% 3.87% 1.90% 50.54% N/A -15.91% 1.39% 3.69%	2.09% -7.92% -2.08% N/A 0.00% 7.76% 2.11% 4.33% 1.15% 270.49% N/A -33.33% 4.09%
33.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	7.66%	7.39%	7.59%	8.63%	8.56%	-2.74%	3.65%
4.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	8.62%	8.08%	8.61%	11.13%	10.73%	-5.33%	6.68%
<b>35</b> .	Common Equity Ratio	49.27%	51.10%	50.48%	48.60%	47.90%	0.71%	-3.58%
6.	Debt Ratio	50.73%	48.90%	49.52%	51.40%	52.10%	-0.66%	3.74%
<b>3</b> 7.	Estimated Pretax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	2.99	3.07	3.18	3.75	3,47	-3.65%	-2.61%

Notes: [1] Rates are set on a total company basis.
[2] Net Plant Investment reflects net plant in service.
[3] Source of Data: Shareholders' Reports and the NCUC GS-1 Reports.
[4] N/A denotes that the data is not available or not applicable or that information is, essentially, unmeaningful.

# BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC., d/b/a AT&T NORTH CAROLINA

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Operations (Regulated and Nonregulated)
(Amounts In Thousands)

						Anr	luaf
			12 Month	s Ended		Growt	h Rate
Line		December	December	December	December	Three	Current
<u>No.</u>	<u>ltem</u>	2006	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>Year</u>	Year
_	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
1.	Operating Revenue:						
2.	Basic Local Service	\$750,891	\$789,411	\$846,870	\$929,148	-6.85%	-4.88%
3.	Network Access	427,154	510,471	512,073	521,277	-6.42%	-16.32%
4.	Long Distance Message	24,017	26,283	22,747	23,603	0.58%	-8.62%
5.	Miscellaneous	333,385	245,987	221,007	197,878	18.99%	35.53%
6.	Uncollectibles	(23,209)	<u>(17,871)</u>	(26.672)	<u>(30,816)</u>	<u>-9.02%</u>	<u> 29.87%</u>
7.	Total Operating Revenue	1,512,238	1,554,281	1,576,025	1,641,090	<u>-2.69%</u>	<u>-2.70%</u>
8.	Operating Expenses	777,295	785,634	763,606	777,313	0.00%	-1.06%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	415,783	421,824	436,997	457,424	-3.13%	-1.43%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>108,514</u>	<u>130,897</u>	<u>140,534</u>	<u>154.937</u>	<u>-11.19%</u>	<u>-17.10%</u>
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>1,301,592</u>	<u>1,338,355</u>	<u>1,341,137</u>	<u>1,389,674</u>	<u>-2.16%</u>	<u>-2.75%</u>
12.	Operating Income	<u>\$210.646</u>	<u>\$215,926</u>	<u>\$234.888</u>	<u>\$251.416</u>	<u>-5.73%</u>	<u>-2.45%</u>
13.	Net Telecommunications Plant	<u>\$2.110.865</u>	\$2.218.785	\$2.312.145	\$2,452,004	<u>-4.87%</u>	<u>-4.86%</u>
	<u> </u>						
14.	Oper, Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	51.40%	50.55%	48.45%	47.37%	2.76%	1.68%
15.	Net Telecomm. Plt. per \$ of Revenue	\$1.40	\$1.43	\$1.47	\$1.49	-2.06%	-2.10%

Notes: [1] BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. elected price regulation in June 1996. On December 29, 2006, the merger between AT&T Inc. and BellSouth Corporation was completed; consequently, at the holding company level, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. adopted the AT&T brand name for its products and services. While BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. will remain a corporate entity certificated in North Carolina, BellSouth will be doing business as AT&T North Carolina.

[3] Source of Data: Annual Report.

<sup>[2]</sup> Reporting requirement changes for the major price regulated telephone companies were implemented, in response to passage of Senate Bill 814, by Commission Orders dated January 2 and April 16, 2004, in Docket No. P-100, Sub 72b, effective for reporting periods beginning with calendar year 2003. The April 16, 2004 Order approved the Annual Report Proposal submitted, on March 4, 2004, by the major price regulated telephone companies, which effectively superseded the annual TS-1 Report previously required. Consequently, beginning with the 4th quarter 2003 "Quarterly Review", which includes information and data for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2003, earnings, access line, and certain other data for the price regulated telephone companies are no longer provided.

<sup>[4]</sup> Net Telecommunications Plant reflects net plant for total North Carolina operations (regulated and nonregulated), including plant under construction as follows for the 12-month periods ending December 31st: 2006 - \$5,280,000; 2005 - \$8,374,000; 2004 - \$7,630,000; and 2003 - \$5,347,000.

#### CAROLINA TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Operations (Regulated and Nonregulated) (Amounts In Thousands)

			12 Months	s Ended		Anr Growt	
Line		December	December	December	December	Three	Current
<u>No.</u>	<u>ltem</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
1.	Operating Revenue:						
2.	Basic Local Service	\$358,259	\$376,281	\$397,964	\$409,309	-4.34%	-4.79%
3.	Network Access	278,006	284,709	298,888	279,714	-0.20%	-2.35%
4.	Long Distance Message	4,655	5,459	6,146	6,959	-12.54%	-14.73%
5.	Miscellaneous	179,227	169,894	163,799	176,686	0.48%	5.49%
6.	Uncollectibles	<u>(8,599)</u>	<u>(11.813)</u>	(12.598)	<u>(6,647)</u>	<u>8.96%</u>	<u>-27.21%</u>
7.	Total Operating Revenue	<u>811,548</u>	<u>824,530</u>	<u>854,199</u>	<u>866,021</u>	<u>-2.1<b>4%</b></u>	<u>-1.57%</u>
8.	Operating Expenses	444,969	445,657	459,569	489,586	-3.13%	-0.15%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	117,925	116,747	110,084	154,692	-8.65%	1.01%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>97,514</u>	<u>105,954</u>	<u>113,408</u>	<u>78,335</u>	<u>7.57%</u>	<u>-7.97%</u>
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	660,408	668,358	<u>68</u> 3,061	722,613	-2.96%	<u>-1.19%</u>
12.	Operating Income	\$151,140	<u>\$156,172</u>	<u>\$171.138</u>	\$143.408	<u>1.77%</u>	<u>-3.22%</u>
13,	Net Telecommunications Plant	\$856.00 <u>4</u>	<u>\$846.627</u>	<u>\$846.614</u>	<u>\$798.533</u>	2.34%	1.11%
						4 844	
14,	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	54.83%	54.05%	53.80%	56.53%	-1.01%	1.44%
15.	Net Telecomm. Pit. per \$ of Revenue	\$1.05	\$1.03	\$0.99	\$0.92	4.50%	1.94%

Notes: [1] Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company elected price regulation in June 1996.

[3] Source of Data: Annual Report.

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<sup>[2]</sup> Reporting requirement changes for the major price regulated telephone companies were implemented, in response to passage of Senate Bill 814, by Commission Orders dated January 2 and April 16, 2004, in Docket No. P-100, Sub 72b, effective for reporting periods beginning with calendar year 2003. The April 16, 2004 Order approved the Annual Report Proposal submitted, on March 4, 2004, by the major price regulated telephone companies, which effectively superseded the annual TS-1 Report previously required. Consequently, beginning with the 4th quarter 2003 "Quarterly Review", which includes information and data for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2003, earnings, access line, and certain other data for the price regulated telephone companies are no longer provided.

<sup>[4]</sup> Net Telecommunications Plant reflects net plant for total North Carolina operations (regulated and nonregulated), including plant under construction as follows for the 12-month periods ending December 31st: 2006 - \$29,368,000; 2005 - \$33,444,000; 2004 - \$35,942,000; and 2003 - \$49,620,000.

# CENTRAL TELEPHONE COMPANY SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA North Carolina Operations (Regulated and Nonregulated) (Amounts In Thousands)

			12 Months	s Ended		Anr Growt	
Line		December	December	December	December	Three	Current
<u>No.</u>	<u>ltem</u>	2006	2005	<u> 2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	<b>(f)</b>	(g)
1.	Operating Revenue:						
2.	Basic Local Service	\$83,081	\$88,473	\$94,075	\$99,464	-5. <b>82</b> %	-6.09%
3.	Network Access	52,643	54,503	56,879	55,305	-1.63%	-3.41%
4.	Long Distance Message	1,892	2,020	3,099	3,425	-17.95%	-6.34%
5.	Miscellaneous	32,741	31,132	30,091	28,744	4.44%	5.17%
6.	Uncollectibles	<u>(1,617)</u>	(2,186)	(2,218)	<u>(1,790)</u>	<u>-3.33%</u>	<u>-26.03%</u>
7.	Total Operating Revenue	<u>168,740</u>	<u>173,942</u>	181,926	<u>185,148</u>	<u>-3.05%</u>	<u>-2.99%</u>
8.	Operating Expenses	97,759	98,066	99,372	101,946	-1.39%	-0.31%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	36,868	44,695	44,237	39,776	-2.50%	-17.51%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>12,200</u>	<u>11,887</u>	<u>12.587</u>	<u>19,889</u>	<u>-15.03%</u>	<u>2.63%</u>
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>146,827</u>	<u>154,648</u>	<u>156,196</u>	<u>161,611</u>	<u>-3.15%</u>	<u>-5.06%</u>
12.	Operating Income	<u>\$21.913</u>	\$19.294	\$25,730	<u>\$23.537</u>	<u>-2.35%</u>	<u>13.57%</u>
13.	Net Telecommunications Plant	<u>\$226,163</u>	\$239.649	<u>\$264.452</u>	<u>\$281,727</u>	<u>-7.06%</u>	<u>-5.63%</u>
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14.	Oper, Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	57.93%	56.38%	54.62%	55.06%	1.71%	2.75%
15.	Net Telecomm. Pit. per \$ of Revenue	\$1.34	\$1.38	\$1.45	\$1.52	-4.11%	-2.90%

Notes: [1] Central Telephone Company elected price regulation in June 1996.

[3] Source of Data: Annual Report.

<sup>[2]</sup> Reporting requirement changes for the major price regulated telephone companies were implemented, in response to passage of Senate Bill 814, by Commission Orders dated January 2 and April 16, 2004, in Docket No. P-100, Sub 72b, effective for reporting periods beginning with calendar year 2003. The April 16, 2004 Order approved the Annual Report Proposal submitted, on March 4, 2004, by the major price regulated telephone companies, which effectively superseded the annual TS-1 Report previously required. Consequently, beginning with the 4th quarter 2003 "Quarterly Review", which includes information and data for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2003, earnings, access line, and certain other data for the price regulated telephone companies are no longer provided.

<sup>[4]</sup> Net Telecommunications Plant reflects net plant for total North Carolina operations (regulated and nonregulated), including plant under construction as follows for the 12-month periods ending December 31st: 2006 - \$5,240,000; 2005 - \$5,060,000; 2004 - \$6,910,000; and 2003 - \$11,493,000.

# CITIZENS TELEPHONE COMPANY SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Intrastate Operations (Amounts in Thousands)

			12		Annual Growth Rate			
Line		March	March	Months Ende	March	March	Four	Current
No.	ltem .	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	Year	Year
_	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	<u>(f)</u>	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue:							
2.	Basic Local Service	\$5,261	\$5,335	\$5,868	\$5,692	<b>\$5,741</b>	-2.16%	-1.39%
3.	Network Access	4,315	4,162	3,772	3,764	4,596	-1.56%	3.68%
4.	Long Distance Message	1,244	1,232	1,089	1,130	1,216	0.57%	0.97%
5.	Miscellaneous	1,100	1,146	1,115	1,185	1,032	1.61%	-4.01%
6.	Uncollectibles	<u>(11)</u>	<u>(10)</u>	<u>(14)</u>	<u>(22)</u>	<u>(17)</u>	<u>-10.31%</u>	10.00%
7.	Total Operating Revenue	<u>11,909</u>	<u>11,865</u>	<u>11,830</u>	<u>11,749</u>	<u>12,568</u>	<u>-1.34%</u>	<u>0.37%</u>
8.	Operating Expenses	6,453	5,932	5,323	5,050	4,858	7.36%	8.78%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	2,765	2,717	2,592	2,481	2,353	4.12%	1.77%
0.	Total Operating Taxes	1,032	<u>1,237</u>	<u>1,274</u>	<u>1,591</u>	<u>1,700</u>	<u>-11.73%</u>	<u>-16.57%</u>
1.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>10,250</u>	<u>9,886</u>	<u>9,189</u>	<u>9,122</u>	<u>8,911</u>	<u>3.56%</u>	<u>3.68%</u>
2.	Operating Income	<u>\$1.659</u>	<u>\$1.979</u>	<u>\$2.641</u>	<u>\$2.627</u>	<u>\$3.657</u>	<u>-17.93%</u>	<u>-16,17%</u>
3.	Net Plant Investment	<u>\$28.391</u>	\$28,206	\$27.260	<u>\$26.495</u>	<u>\$24.773</u>	<u>3.47%</u>	<u>0.66%</u>
4.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	54.19%	50.00%	45.00%	42.98%	38.65%	8.82%	8.38%
5.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$2.38	\$2.38	\$2.30	\$2.26	\$1.97	4.84%	0.00%
16. 17. 18. 19.	Total Access Lines (000s included): Residential Business Total Access Lines	16,488 <u>4,472</u> 20.960	16,646 <u>4,482</u> 21,128	16,820 <u>4,393</u> 21,213	16,927 4,313 21,240	16,991 <u>4,298</u> 21,289	-0.75% <u>1.00%</u> -0.39%	-0.95% - <u>0.22%</u> -0.80%
20.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	6.39%	7.68%	10.57%	10.62%	15.19%	-19.46%	-16.80%
21.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	5.87%	7.43%	11.31%	11.45%	18.10%	-24.54%	-21.00%
22.	Common Equity Ratio	87.65%	76.17%	74.31%	72.35%	69.85%	5.84%	15.07%
23.	Debt Ratio	12.35%	23.83%	25.69%	27.65%	30.15%	-20.00%	-48.17%
24.	Estimated Pretax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	8.02	5.96	7.07	7.15	8.55	-1.59%	34.56%

Notes: [1] North Carolina intrastate revenue, i.e., jurisdictional revenue equates to approximately 71% of total North Carolina revenue, i.e., intrastate and interstate revenue.

<sup>[2]</sup> Net Plant Investment reflects net plant in service.

<sup>[3]</sup> Source of Data: NCUC TS-1 Reports.

# CONCORD TELEPHONE COMPANY SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

# North Carolina Operations (Regulated and Nonregulated) (Amounts in Thousands)

			12 Months	s Ended		Anr Growt	
Line		December	December	December	December	Three	Current
No.	<u>ltem</u>	<u> 2006</u>	2005	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	<b>(f)</b>	(g)
1,	Operating Revenue:						
2.	Basic Local Service	\$51,502	\$50,128	\$48,296	\$51,581	-0.05%	2.74%
3.	Network Access	30,852	31,924	29,766	30,866	-0.02%	-3.36%
4.	Long Distance Message	2,110	2,255	2,839	3,928	-18.71%	-6.43%
5.	Miscellaneous	12,781	11,246	12,313	9,891	8.92%	13.65%
6.	Uncollectibles	<u>(313)</u>	(285)	(222)	<u>(395)</u>	<u>-7.46%</u>	9.82%
7.	Total Operating Revenue	<u>96,932</u>	<u>95,268</u>	92,992	<u>95,871</u>	<u>0.37%</u>	<u>1.75%</u>
8.	Operating Expenses	52,103	50,025	46,291	43,956	5.83%	4.15%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	22,853	19,836	22,077	22,928	-0.11%	15.21%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>7,894</u>	<u>7.933</u>	<u>10,193</u>	<u>10,096</u>	<u>-7.87%</u>	<u>-0.49%</u>
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>82,850</u>	<u>77,794</u>	<u>78,561</u>	<u>76,980</u>	<u>2.48%</u>	<u>6.50%</u>
12.	Operating Income	\$14.082	<u>\$17.474</u>	<u>\$14.431</u>	<u>\$18.891</u>	<u>-9.33%</u>	<u>-19.<b>4</b>1%</u>
13.	Net Telecommunications Plant	<u>\$82.404</u>	\$80,438	\$83.704	\$83.89 <u>7</u>	<u>-0.60%</u>	2.44%
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14.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	53.75%	52.51%	49.78%	45.85%	5.44%	2.36%
15.	Net Telecomm. Plt. per \$ of Revenue	\$0.85	\$0.84	\$0.90	\$0.88	-1.15%	1.19%

Notes: [1] Concord Telephone Company elected price regulation in June 1997.

[3] Source of Data: Annual Report.

<sup>[2]</sup> Reporting requirement changes for the major price regulated telephone companies were implemented, in response to passage of Senate Bill 814, by Commission Orders dated January 2 and April 16, 2004, in Docket No. P-100, Sub 72b, effective for reporting periods beginning with calendar year 2003. The April 16, 2004 Order approved the Annual Report Proposal submitted, on March 4, 2004, by the major price regulated telephone companies, which effectively superseded the annual TS-1 Report previously required. Consequently, beginning with the 4th quarter 2003 "Quarterly Review", which includes information and data for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2003, earnings, access line, and certain other data for the price regulated telephone companies are no longer provided.

<sup>[4]</sup> Net Telecommunications Plant reflects net plant in service for total North Carolina operations (regulated and nonregulated), including plant under construction as follows for the 12-month periods ending December 31st: 2006 - \$7,563,825; 2005 - \$3,926,131; 2004 - \$3,557,940; and 2003 - \$1,819,772.

#### **LEXCOM TELEPHONE COMPANY** SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

Total Company Utility Operations (Amounts In Thousands)

			40.5	Months Ende	d		Ann Growth	
Line		March	March	March	March	March	Four	Current
No.	<u>ltem</u>	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	Year	Year
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1.	Operating Revenue:							<b>-</b>
2.	Basic Local Service	\$11,735	\$12,641	\$12,570	\$12,616	\$13,565	-3.56%	-7.17%
3.	Network Access	5,325	5,587	5,374	5,153 196	4,868 317	2.27% -17.76%	-4.69% -14.71%
4. 5.	Long Distance Message Miscellaneous	145 2,426	170 2,481	158 2,324	2,197	2,492	-17.76% -0.67%	-14.71%
5. 6.	Uncollectibles	(228)	(237)	(296)	(209)	(178)	6.38%	-3.80%
7.	Total Operating Revenue	19,403	20,642	<u>20,130</u>	<u>19,953</u>	<u>21,064</u>	<u>-2.03%</u>	<u>-6.00%</u>
8.	Operating Expenses	7,497	6,661	6,913	7,448	7,988	-1.57%	12.55%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	3,761	4,287	3,464	3,381	3,322	3.15%	-12.27%
0.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>4.529</u>	<u>5,134</u>	<u>5,870</u>	<u>5,409</u>	<u>5,524</u>	<u>-4.84%</u>	<u>-11.78%</u>
1.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>15,787</u>	<u>16,082</u>	<u>16,24</u> 7	<u>16,238</u>	<u>16,834</u>	<u>-1.59%</u>	<u>-1.83%</u>
2.	Operating Income	<u>\$3.616</u>	<b>\$4.560</b>	<u>\$3.883</u>	<u>\$3.715</u>	\$4,230	<u>-3.84%</u>	-20.70%
13.	Net Plant Investment	<u>\$31.318</u>	\$34.017	\$35.41 <u>4</u>	<b>\$</b> 36,911	<u>\$37.613</u>	<u>-4.48%</u>	<u>-7.93%</u>
14.	Oper, Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	38.64%	32.27%	34.34%	37.33%	37.92%	0.47%	19.74%
15.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$1.61	<b>\$</b> 1.65	\$1.76	\$1.85	\$1.79	-2.61%	-2.42%
16. 17. 18. 19.	Total Access Lines (000s included): Residential Business Total Access Lines	19,885 8,193 28,078	21,206 8,435 29,641	22,422 <u>8.653</u> <u>31.075</u>	23,234 8,817 32.051	23,914 9,018 32,932	-4.51% -2.37% -3.91%	-6.23% -2.87% -5.27%
20.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	12.77%	15.13%	12.37%	11.57%	13.65%	-1.65%	-15.60%
21.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	12.99%	15,28%	12.48%	11.64%	13.85%	-1.59%	-14.99%
22.	Common Equity Ratio	97.88%	97.93%	97.60%	97.12%	96.60%	0.33%	-0.05%
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<b>∠4</b> .	Estimated Pretax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	<b>4</b> 61.33	188.28	156.13	95.96	112.73	42.23%	145.02%

[3] Source of Data: NCUC TS-1 Reports.

Notes: [1] Rates are set on a total company basis.
[2] Net Plant Investment reflects net plant in service.

#### MEBTEL COMMUNICATIONS

# SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA North Carolina Operations (Regulated and Nonregulated)

(Amounts In Thousands)

		12 Months Ended				Annual Growth Rate	
Line		December	December	December	December	Three	Current
<u>No.</u>	<u>ltem</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u> 2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
1.	Operating Revenue:						
2.	Basic Local Service	\$4,863	\$4,918	\$4,753	\$4,922	-0.40%	-1.12%
3.	Network Access	6,480	5,014	3,931	3,652	21.06%	29.24%
4.	Long Distance Message	73	71	107	133	-18.1 <b>2</b> %	2.82%
5.	Miscellaneous	1,663	1,611	1,578	1,502	3.45%	3.23%
6,	Uncollectibles	<u>(4)</u>	(176)	<u>(24)</u>	<u>(69)</u>	<u>-61.30%</u>	<u>-97.73%</u>
7.	Total Operating Revenue	<u>13,075</u>	<u>11,438</u>	<u>10.345</u>	<u>10,140</u>	<u>8.84%</u>	<u>14.31%</u>
8.	Operating Expenses	5,841	5,860	5,120	4,704	7.48%	-0.32%
9,	Depreciation & Amortization	3,031	2,436	1,142	1,554	24.94%	24.43%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>2,354</u>	<u>1,314</u>	<u>2,010</u>	<u>1,555</u>	<u>14.82%</u>	<u>79.15%</u>
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>11,226</u>	<u>9,610</u>	<u>8,272</u>	<u>7.813</u>	<u>12.84%</u>	<u>16.82%</u>
12.	Operating Income	<u>\$1.849</u>	\$1.828	\$2.073	\$2.327	<u>-7.38%</u>	<u>1.15%</u>
13.	Net Telecommunications Plant	<u>\$21.341</u>	\$22.393	<u>\$10.646</u>	<u>\$10.931</u>	<u>24.98%</u>	<u>-4,70%</u>
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14.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	44.67%	51.23%	49.49%	46.39%	-1.25%	-12.80%
15.	Net Telecomm. Plt. per \$ of Revenue	\$1.63	\$1.96	\$1.03	\$1.08	14.71%	-16.84%

Notes: [1] MEBTEL Communications elected price regulation in September 1999.

[3] Source of Data: Annual Report.

<sup>[2]</sup> Reporting requirement changes for the major price regulated telephone companies were implemented, in response to passage of Senate Bill 814, by Commission Orders dated January 2 and April 16, 2004, in Docket No. P-100, Sub 72b, effective for reporting periods beginning with calendar year 2003. The April 16, 2004 Order approved the Annual Report Proposal submitted, on March 4, 2004, by the major price regulated telephone companies, which effectively superseded the annual TS-1 Report previously required. Consequently, beginning with the 4th quarter 2003 "Quarterly Review", which includes information and data for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2003, earnings, access line, and certain other data for the price regulated telephone companies are no longer provided.

 <sup>[4]</sup> Net Telecommunications Plant reflects net plant for North Carolina regulated operations only, including plant under construction as follows for the 12-month periods ending December 31st: 2006 - \$536,834; 2005 - \$1,052,185; 2004 - \$295,794; and 2003 - \$523,765.

#### NORTH STATE COMMUNICATIONS

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Operations (Regulated and Nonregulated)
(Amounts in Thousands)

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		12 Months Ended				Growth Rate	
Line		December	December	December	December	Three	Current
No.	<u>ltem</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
1.	Operating Revenue:						
2.	Basic Local Service	\$34,147	\$35,625	\$36,873	\$36,793	-2.46%	-4.15%
3.	Network Access	35,000	37,882	37,232	36,373	-1,27%	-7.61%
4.	Long Distance Message	1,021	1,354	1,444	1,828	-17,65%	-24.59%
5.	Miscellaneous	37,217	34,236	31,270	28,415	9.41%	8.71%
6.	Uncollectibles	(1,110)	<u>(876)</u>	(798)	<u>(592)</u>	<u>23.31%</u>	<u>26.71%</u>
7.	Total Operating Revenue	106,275	108,221	106.021	<u>102,817</u>	<u>1,11%</u>	<u>-1.80%</u>
8.	Operating Expenses	61,672	62,113	58,444	56,776	2.80%	-0.71%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	15,822	21,482	20,376	19,641	-6.95%	-26.35%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>12,762</u>	<u>10,250</u>	<u>11,260</u>	<u>10.942</u>	<u>5,26%</u>	<u>24.51%</u>
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>90,256</u>	<u>93,845</u>	<u>90.080</u>	<u>87,359</u>	<u>1.09%</u>	<u>-3.82%</u>
12.	Operating Income	<u>\$16,019</u>	<b>\$14.376</b>	<u>\$15,941</u>	<u>\$15.458</u>	1.20%	11.43%
13.	Net Telecommunications Plant	<b>\$</b> 124,413	<u>\$114.675</u>	\$116.270	<u>\$118.507</u>	<u>1.63%</u>	8.49%
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14.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	58.03%	57.39%	55.12%	55.22%	1.67%	1.12%
15.	Net Telecomm. Pit. per \$ of Revenue	\$1.17	\$1.06	\$1.10	\$1.15	0.58%	10.38%

Notes: [1] North State Communications elected price regulation in December 2002.

[3] Source of Data: Annual Reports.

<sup>[2]</sup> Reporting requirement changes for the major price regulated telephone companies were implemented, in response to passage of Senate Bill 814, by Commission Orders dated January 2 and April 16, 2004, in Docket No. P-100, Sub 72b, effective for reporting periods beginning with calendar year 2003. The April 16, 2004 Order approved the Annual Report Proposal submitted, on March 4, 2004, by the major price regulated telephone companies, which effectively superseded the annual TS-1 Report previously required. Consequently, beginning with the 4th quarter 2003 "Quarterly Review", which includes information and data for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2003, earnings, access line, and certain other data for the price regulated telephone companies are no longer provided.

 <sup>[4]</sup> Net Telecommunications Plant reflects net plant for total North Carolina operations, including plant under construction as follows for the 12-month periods ending December 31st: 2006 - \$6,493,809; 2005 - \$2,851,674; 2004 - \$1,916,334; and 2003 - \$146,211.

#### **VERIZON SOUTH INC.**

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

## North Carolina Operations (Regulated and Nonregulated) (Amounts in Thousands)

						Ann	iual
		12 Months Ended			Growth Rate		
Line		December	December	December	December	Three	Current
<u>No.</u>	<u>ltem</u>	2006	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	<u>(f)</u>	(g)
1.	Operating Revenue:						
2.	Basic Local Service	\$111,919	\$118,145	\$124,187	\$127,385	-4.22%	-5.27%
3.	Network Access	105,858	112,867	119,511	123,594	-5.03%	-6.21%
4.	Long Distance Message	2,502	2,089	2,193	3,355	-9.32%	19.77%
5,	Miscellaneous	33,100	29,234	37,205	41,743	-7.44%	13.22%
6.	Uncollectibles	(3,600)	<u>(4,405)</u>	<u>(2,391)</u>	<u>(5,181)</u>	<u>-11.43%</u>	<u>-18.27%</u>
7.	Total Operating Revenue	<u>249,779</u>	<u>257,930</u>	<u>280,705</u>	<u>290,896</u>	<u>-4.95%</u>	<u>-3.16%</u>
8.	Operating Expenses	128,848	149,029	169,316	202,202	-13.95%	-13.54%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	73,454	78,390	74,505	73,813	-0.16%	-6.30%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>14,799</u>	<u>8,689</u>	<u>(2,632)</u>	<u>(414)</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>70.32%</u>
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>217,101</u>	<u>236,108</u>	<u>241,189</u>	<u>275,601</u>	<u>-7,65%</u>	<u>-8.05%</u>
12.	Operating Income	<u>\$32,678</u>	<u>\$21.822</u>	\$39,516	<u>\$15.295</u>	28.80%	<u>49.75%</u>
13.	Net Telecommunications Plant	<u>\$335.075</u>	<u>\$365.007</u>	\$396 <u>,523</u>	<u>\$428.739</u>	<u>-7.89%</u>	<u>-8.20%</u>
14.	Oper, Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	51.58%	57.78%	60.32%	69.51%	-9.47%	-10.73%
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15.	Net Telecomm. Pit, per \$ of Revenue	\$1.34	\$1.42	\$1.41	\$1.47	-3.04%	-5.63%

Notes: [1] Verizon South, Inc. elected price regulation in June 1996.

[3] Source of Data: Annual Report.

[4] N/A denotes that the data is not available or not applicable or that information is, essentially, unmeaningful.

<sup>[2]</sup> Reporting requirement changes for the major price regulated telephone companies were implemented, in response to passage of Senate Bill 814, by Commission Orders dated January 2 and April 16, 2004, in Docket No. P-100, Sub 72b, effective for reporting periods beginning with calendar year 2003. The April 16, 2004 Order approved the Annual Report Proposal submitted, on March 4, 2004, by the major price regulated telephone companies, which effectively superseded the annual TS-1 Report previously required. Consequently, beginning with the 4th quarter 2003 "Quarterly Review", which includes information and data for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2003, earnings, access line, and certain other data for the price regulated telephone companies are no longer provided.

<sup>[5]</sup> Net Telecommunications Plant reflects net plant for total North Carolina operations (regulated and nonregulated), including plant under construction as follows for the 12-month periods ending December 31st: 2006 - \$2,068,101; 2005 - \$1,426,199; 2004 - \$780,789; and 2003 - \$1,726,474.

# WINDSTREAM NORTH CAROLINA, INC. SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Operations (Regulated and Nonregulated) (Amounts in Thousands)

		12 Months Ended				Annual Growth Rate	
Line <u>No.</u>	<u>!tem</u>	December 2006	December 2005	December 2004	December 2003	Three Year	Current Year
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
1.	Operating Revenue:			•			
2.	Basic Local Service	\$70,624	\$73,646	\$72,927	\$73,988	-1.54%	-4.10%
3.	Network Access	65,326	64,125	60,130	58,024	4.03%	1.87%
4.	Long Distance Message	3,971	4,024	3,894	4,036	-0.54%	-1.32%
5.	Miscellaneous	18,373	15,993	16,469	17,028	2.57%	14.88%
6.	Uncollectibles	<u>(547)</u>	<u>(1,135)</u>	(1,242)	<u>(1,364)</u>	<u>-26.26%</u>	<u>-51.81%</u>
7.	Total Operating Revenue	157,747	<u>156,653</u>	<u>152,178</u>	<u>151,712</u>	<u>1.31%</u>	0.70%
8.	Operating Expenses	68,347	59,350	60,856	61,130	3.79%	15.16%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	23,978	32,696	31,743	30,209	-7.41%	-26.66%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>23,431</u>	<u>19,283</u>	<u>17,514</u>	<u>16,905</u>	<u>11.50%</u>	<u>21.51%</u>
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>115,756</u>	<u>111,329</u>	<u>110,113</u>	108,244	<u>2.26%</u>	<u>3.98%</u>
12.	Operating Income	<u>\$41.991</u>	<u>\$45.324</u>	\$42.065	<u>\$43.468</u>	<u>-1.15%</u>	<u>-7.35%</u>
13.	Net Telecommunications Plant	<u>\$253.564</u>	<u>\$251.877</u>	<u>\$255.558</u>	<u>\$260.066</u>	<u>-0.84%</u>	0.67%
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14.	Oper, Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	43.33%	37.89%	39.99%	40.29%	2.45%	14.36%
15.	Net Telecomm. Plt. per \$ of Revenue	\$1.61	\$1.61	\$1.68	\$1.71	-1.99%	0.00%

Notes: [1] ALLTEL Carolina, Inc. elected price regulation in June 1998. Due to the separation of its wireline business from its wireless business, effective July 12, 2006, ALLTEL Carolina, Inc. changed its name to Windstream North Carolina, Inc.

[3] Source of Data: Annual Report.

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<sup>[4]</sup> Net Telecommunications Plant reflects net plant for total North Carolina operations (regulated and nonregulated), including plant under construction as follows for the 12-month periods ending December 31st: 2006 - \$18,512,749; 2005 - \$13,189,584; 2004 - \$9,882,424; and 2003 - \$12,273,102.

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