## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-100, SUB 101

## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Petition for Approval of Revisions to	)	ORDER SUSPENDING
Generator Interconnection Standards	)	ENROLLMENT WINDOW OF
	)	ESS RETROFIT STUDY
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BY THE CHAIR: On April 28, 2020, the Commission issued an Order Granting Waiver and Requiring Report. The Order granted the request of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (together, Duke), for a waiver to implement the Energy Storage System (ESS) Retrofit Study Process, directed Duke to open the first enrollment window for that process on May 28, 2020, and directed to Duke to file a report on the ESS Retrofit Study Process results within two months of the conclusion of that process.

On May 15, 2020, Duke and the North Carolina Clean Energy Business Alliance (NCCEBA), filed a Motion for Extension of Time to Open Enrollment Window for ESS Retrofit Study Process requesting that Qualifying Facilities (QFs) are not yet able to fully assess whether or not to enroll in the ESS Retrofit Study Process. Duke and NCCEBA assert in the joint filing that the QFs will be unable to make a decision to enroll in the process until the appropriate avoided cost rates applicable to the energy storage element of an existing QF coupled with energy storage are established.

The parties to the joint filing request that the enrollment window for the ESS Retrofit Study Process be delayed until thirty days after the Commission's order regarding the energy storage stakeholder process that is being conducted in Docket No. E-100, Sub 158 (the Avoided Cost Docket). In the Avoided Cost Docket, the Commission has directed Duke and Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC) to establish a stakeholder process and develop a report based on the stakeholder process that will address the appropriate avoided cost rates applicable to the energy storage element of an existing QF coupled with energy storage. The parties to the joint filing represent that the Public Staff does not object to the Motion for Extension of Time. After careful consideration of the foregoing and the record, the Chair finds good cause to suspend the requirement for Duke to open the enrollment period for the ESS Retrofit Study Process pending further order of the Commission.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 27th day of May, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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