"Quarterly Review"

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- Carolina Power & Light Company, d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc.
- Dominion North Carolina Power
- Duke Power, a Division of Duke Energy Corporation
- Nantahala Power and Light Company

Natural Gas Local Distribution Companies

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

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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 17 major investor-owned public utilities regulated by the North Carolina Utilities Commission (Commission): four electric companies, three 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. From a general viewpoint, such overviews 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.

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 pre-tax 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 Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio

The pre-tax 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. Pre-tax 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 pre-tax 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 a 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 17
 Selected Companies For The Twelve Months Ended
 March 31, 2003 Returns on Common Equity, Overall
 Rates of Return, Common Equity Capitalization
 Ratios, and Pre-tax Interest Coverage 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. 218-226 from October 2002 Through August 2003

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

		Estimated	d for 12 Mo	nths Endec		Authorized - Lest Rate Case			
Line <u>No</u> .	item (a)	Return On <u>Equity</u> (b)	Overall Rate of Return (c)	Equity Ratio (d)	Pre-tax Interest Coverage <u>Ratio</u> (e)	Return On <u>Equity</u> (f)	Overall Rate of <u>Return</u> (g)	Equity Ratio (h)	Date of Last <u>Order</u> (i)
	Electric Companies								
1.	Carolina Power & Light Company, d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc.	12.05%	9.08%	50.11%	4.78	12.75%	10.45%	44.00%	08/05/88
2.	Dominion North Carolina Power	16.11%	11.04%	47.41%	5.51	11.80%	9.48%	44.82%	02/26/93
3.	Duke Power, a Division of Duke Energy Corporation	14.48%	10.82%	57.43%	6.48	12.50%	10.44%	49.82%	11/12/91
4.	Nantahala Power and Light Company	6.75%	6.96%	64.77%	3.95	12.10%	10.32%	56.11%	06/18/93
	Natural Gas Local Distribution Companies								
5 .	North Carolina Natural Gas Corporation	0.76%	3.54%	50.13%	1.22	N/A	10.09%	N/A	10/27/95
6.	Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.	9.04%	8.31%	53.86%	3.31	11.30%	9.70%	52.71%	10/05/00
7.	Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc.	10.73%	8.56%	47.90%	3.47	11.40%	9.82%	51.91%	10/30/98
	Telecommunications Companies								
8.	* ALLTEL Carolina, Inc.	16.82%	17.28%	75.81%	5.73	13.20%	10.33%	42.11%	11/25/86
9.	* BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.	16.34%	11.61%	58.65%	8.96	15.00%	12.51%	54.80%	11/09/84
10.	* Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company	21.26%	14.62%	60.39%	12.61	15.25%	11.82%	48.40%	03/30/83
11.	* Central Telephone Company	16.18%	14.46%	79.14%	13.39	15.50%	12.09%	48.30%	06/22/83
12.	Citizens Telephone Company	18.10%	15.19%	69.85%	8.55	12.70%	10.11%	44.95%	02/26/91
13.	* Concord Telephone Company	18.42%	14.46%	69.15%	14.14	15.50%	12.11%	58.59%	06/17/83
14.	LEXCOM Telephone Company	13.85%	13.65%	96.60%	112.73	16.25%	12.77%	37.22%	06/14/82
15.	* MEBTEL Communications	13.85%	13.85%	100.00%	0.00	16.50%	5.92%	16.92%	11/26/79
16.	* North State Telephone Company	13.57%	13.42%	97.82%	289.99	N/A	N/A	N/A	06/13/52
17.	* Verizon South Inc.	7.39%	7.60%	44.56%	2.13	13.90%	11.82%	50.00%	09/16/86

NOTES:

- * [1] Companies electing price regulation are denoted above with an asteriak. For those companies, with the exception of Concord Telephone Company, ALLTEL Carolina, Inc., MEBTEL Communications, and North State Telephone Company, the data for such companies included herein is updated annually beginning with the calendar year 1996. The data for Concord Telephone Company is updated annually beginning with the calendar year 1997. The data for ALLTEL Carolina, Inc. is updated annually beginning with the calendar year 1999. The data for North State Telephone Company is updated annually beginning with the calendar year 2003.
 - [2] Information presented is on a North Carolina jurisdictional basis except for MEBTEL Communications and North State Telephone Company which are presented on a total company basis.
 - [3] North Carolina Gas Service, Division of NUI is no longer listed in this report. The Company has been purchased by Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.
 - [4] N/A denotes that information is not available.

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[5] Standard and Poor's 1994 annual "Global Sector Review" reflects the following benchmark-ratio ranges for total debt capitalization ratios and pre-tax interest coverage ratios for electric utilities and natural gas local distribution companies; telecommunications utilities are not included in that publication:

		RANG	3E
Line		BONDS RATED	BONDS RATED
No.	item	"AA"	"A"
	(a)	(b)	(c)
1.	Electric utilities:		
2.	Pre-tax interest coverage ratio (times)	3.50 - 4.00	2.75 - 4.50
3.	Total debt ratio (%)	42.00 - 47.00	41.00 - 52.00
4.	Natural gas local distribution companies:		
5.	Pre-tax interest coverage ratio (times)	3.75 - 4.25	3.00 - 4.25
6.	Total debt ratio (%)	41.00 - 46.00	42.00 - 51.00

[6] Selected financial market indicators from "Moody's Credit Perspectives", Volume 96, No. 39, September 29, 2003 follow:

PAICE		U.S. Tro	easury Secur	ities	Dealer- Placed	Moody's Long-Term
Line No.	Date	3-Month Bill %	10-Year Note _%	30-Year Bond %	3-Month CP %	Corporate Bond Yield
140.	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
1.	September 19, 2003	0.93	4.15	5.06	1.05	6.28
2.	September 22, 2003	0.93	4.23	5.13	1.05	6.35
3.	September 23, 2003	0.93	4.21	5.10	1.05	6.31
4.	September 24, 2003	0.92	4.14	5.03	1.04	6.24
5.	September 25, 2003	0.92	4.10	5.00	1.06	6.21
6.	Month of August 2003	0.95	4.43	5.30	1.06	6.58
7.	Month of July 2003	0.89	3.95	4.92	1.02	6.26

Part II

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

Line			Past 12-N	Months	Мо	nthly			
No.	Rating (a)	<u>09/25/03</u> (b)	High (c)	(d)	Aug. 2003 (e)	July 2003 (f)			
1.	Aaa	-	_	_	_	_			
2.	Aa	6.14	7.07	6.12	6.48	6.37			
3.	A	6.39	7.23	6.21	6.79	6.57			

^[7] According to "Moody's Credit Perspectives", Volume 96, No. 21 as of 12/10/01 the "Aaa" Utilities Index will be discontinued indefinitely.

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[8] Selected financial market indicators from "Moody's Credit Perspectives", Volume 96, No. 39, September 29, 2003 follow - continued:

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New o	fferings by public utilities -	listing is all in	clusive for w	eek of Sept	ember 29, 20	003:	
Line					Yield		
Ŋo,	<u>Company Name</u> (a)	Amount (b)	<u>Term</u> (c)	Current (d)	Maturity (e)	<u>Rating</u> (f)	
1.	Public Service Co. of Colorado	\$300 Million	5 Years	4.375%	4.410%	Baa1	
2.	Public Service Co. of Colorado	\$275 Million	11 Years	5.500%	5.610%	Baa1	
3 .	Gulf Power Company	\$40 Million	30 Years	5.750%	-	Aaa	
4.	Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc.	\$400 Million	10 Years	5.125%	5.280%	А3	
5 .	Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc.	\$200 Million	30 Years	-	6.290%	АЗ	
6.	Public Service Electric and Gas Co.	\$300 Million	10 Years	-	-	A3	
7.	Georgia Power Company	\$100 Million	10 Years	4.900%	5.010%	A2	
8.	Public Service Co. of New Mexico	\$300 Million	5 Years	4.400%	4.400%	ВааЗ	
9.	Rochester Gas & Electric Corp.	\$75 Million	30 Years	6.375%	6.410%	Baa1	
10.	Public Service Co. of Oklahoma	\$150 Million	7 Years	4.850%	4.780%	Baa1	
11.	Duke Energy Corporation	\$500 Million	12 Years	5.300%	5.300%	A3	
12.	Duke Energy Corporation	\$300 Million	5 Years	4.200%	4.230%	Baa1	

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(Statement Is All Inclusive With Respect To Returns Published)

		Authorized	Returns		Volume No.
Line <u>No.</u>	Company (Jurisdiction) (a)	Common Equity (b)	Overall (c)	Date Of <u>Order</u> (d)	Public Utilities Reports (e)
	Electric Companies				
1.	Sierra Pacific Power Company (NV)	10.17%	8.61%	05/28/02	Volume 218
2.	Gulf Power Company (FL)	12.00%	N/A	06/10/02	Volume 218
3.	Savannah Electric and Power Company (GA)	12.00%	N/A	05/30/02	Volume 218
4.	Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WI)	12.30%	9.71%	06/21/02	Volume 218
5.	Citizens Energy Services (VT)	5.75%	N/A	07/15/02	Volume 220
6.	Wisconson Electric Power Company (WI)	11.00%	8.14%	09/16/02	Volume 221
7 .	PacificCorp (WY)	10.75%	8.45%	03/06/03	Volume 224
8.	South Carolina Electric and Gas Company (SC)	12.45%	9.94%	01/31/03	Volume 225
9.	Interstate Power and Light Company (IA)	11.15%	N/A	04/15/03	Volume 225
	Natural Gas Local Distribution Companies				
10.	Wisconson Public Service Corporation (WI)	12.30%	9.71%	06/21/02	Volume 218
11.	MidAmerican Energy Company (IL)	11.20%	8.85%	09/11/02	Volume 220
12.	Washington Gas Light Company (MD)	N/A	8.75%	09/27/02	Volume 221
13.	Washington Gas Light Company (DC)	10.60%	8.83%	10/29/02	Volume 221
14.	Consumers Energy Company (MI)	11.40%	7.45%	11/07/02	Volume 221
15.	Montana-Dakota Utilities Company (ND)	11.33%	N/A	12/18/02	Volume 222
16.	People's Gas System (FL)	11.25%	8.83%	01/06/03	Volume 222
17.	Midwest Energy, Inc. (KS)	11.66%	7.63%	01/22/03	Volume 223
18.	Madison Gas and Electric Company (WI)	12.30%	9.71%	02/28/03	Volume 224
19.	SEMCO Energy Gas Company (MI)	11.40%	N/A	05/02/03	Volume 225
20.	Interstate Power and Light Company (IA)	11.05%	N/A	05/15/03	Volume 225

NOTE: N/A denotes that information is not available.

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		(b)	Returns		Volume No.	
Line No.	Company (Jurisdiction) (a)	Equity	Overali (c)	Date Of <u>Order</u> (d)	Public Utilities Reports (e)	
	Water Companies					
21.	Philadelphia Suburban Water Company (PA)	10.70%	8.77%	08/01/02	Volume 219	
22.	Artesian Water Company, Inc. (DE)	10.50%	8.75%	04/15/03	Volume 225	
23.	Valencia Water Company (CA)	9.72%	9.20%	05/08/03	Volume 225	

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CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY, d/b/a PROGRESS ENERGY CAROLINAS, INC. SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA North Carolina Retail Jurisdiction (Amounts in Thousands)

				12 Months End	ded		Anı Growth	nual Rate
Line	1	March	March	March	March	March	Four	Current
No.	ttern .	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	Year	Year
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue	\$2,604,412	\$2,377,348	\$2,375,562	\$2,281,038	\$2,260,245	3.61%	9.559
2.	Operating Expenses:							
3.	Fuel	593,437	473,864	445,758	427,115	412,443	9.52%	25.239
4.	Purchased Power	253,118	244,110	251,480	256,059	276,755	-2.21%	3.699
5.	Maintenance	173,043	153,568	130,330	166,565	145,496	4.43%	12.689
6.	Other Operating Expenses	<u>411,788</u>	<u>389,604</u>	391,358	369,950	328.122	5.84%	5.699
7.	Total Operating Expenses	1,431,386	1,261,146	1,218,926	1,219,689	1,162,816	5.33%	13.509
8.	Depreciation & Amortization	400,629	390,983	528,832	<u>370,976</u>	356,373	2.97%	2.479
9.	Total Expenses & Depreciation	1,832,015	1,652,129	1,747,758	1,590,665	1,519,189	4.79%	10.89
0.	Total Operating Taxes	370,479	327,775	306,370	335.191	348,619	1.53%	13.039
1.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	2,202,494	1,979,904	2,054,128	1.925.856	1.867.808	4.21%	11.249
2.	Operating Income	\$401.918	\$397.444	\$321.434	\$355.182	\$392.437	0.60%	1.139
3.	Net Plant Investment	\$4.668.702	\$4.409.332	\$4.133.501	\$4.316.754	\$4.293.939	2.11%	5.889
4.	Oper, Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	54.96%	53.05%	51.31%	53.47%	51.45%	1.66%	3.60%
	•					\$1.90		
5.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$1.79	\$ 1.85	\$1.74	\$1.89	•,,,,,	-1.48%	-3.24%
6.	Number of Customers Served:							
7.	Residential	1100	943	920	893	870	6.04%	16.659
8.	Commercial	199	165	161	156	152	6.97%	20.619
9.	Industrial	5	4	4	4	4	5.74%	25.009
0.	Other	3	2		2	2		50.009
1.	Total Number of Customers	1307	1114	2 <u>1087</u>	<u> 1055</u>	1028	10.67% 6.19%	17.329
2.	Annual Salas Valuma: (Millians MA/h)							
	Annual Sales Volume: (Millions kWh)	15 041	12.000	12,429	11,684	11,403	8.57%	30.939
3.	Residential	15,841	12,099					23.329
4.	Commercial	12,661	10,267	10,064	9,533	9,202	8.30%	
5.	Industrial	13,107	9,939	10,877	11,153	11,405	3.54%	31.879
6.	Other	<u>1.455</u>	3.238	4.131	<u>5.207</u>	4.662	<u>-25.26%</u>	-55.069
7.	Total Sales	43.064	35.543	37.501	37.577	36.672	4.10%	21.16
8.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	9.08%	9.36%	8.05%	8.95%	10.03%	-2.46%	-2.99
9.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	12.05%	12.04%	9.07%	10.89%	12.55%	-1.01%	0.089
	Common Equity Ratio	50.11%	48.27%	50.57%	55.45%	56.91%	-3.13%	3.819
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Notes: [1] 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.

DOMINION NORTH CAROLINA POWER SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Retail Jurisdiction (Amounts in Thousands)

			1	2 Months End	ed		Anr Growth	Current Year (h) 9.96% -9.16% 38.67% N/A -8.56% 5.93% -16.78% 2.04% 22.61% 5.37% 34.99% 22.62% -3.66% 11.63% -1.63% -1.63% -1.63%
Line No.	item (a)	March 2003 (b)	March 2002 (c)	March 2001 (d)	March 2000 (e)	March 1999 (f)	Four Year (g)	Current Year
1.	Operating Revenue	\$267,302	\$243,098	\$239,619	\$222,949	\$219,198	5.09%	
2.	Operating Expenses:							
3.	Fuel	42,382	46,657	35,617	32,766	27,771	11.15%	-9.16%
4.	Purchased Power	61,544	44,383	51,990	51,802	52,039	4.28%	
5. 6.	Maintenance Other Operating Expenses	0 47,254	0 51. 6 77	ვ 56,106	0 49.888	12,671	N/A	
7	Total Operating Expenses	151,180	142,717	143,713	134,456	<u>31,375</u> 123,856	<u>10.78%</u> 5.11%	
8.	Depreciation & Amortization	24.553	29,502	27,523	24,648	25,109	-0.56%	<u>-16.789</u>
9.	Total Expenses & Depreciation	175,733	172,219	171,236	159,104	148,965	4.22%	2.049
10.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>40.715</u>	33,206	29,400	27,700	30,434	7. 55%	22.619
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	216,448	205.425	200,636	186,804	179,399	4.81%	5.37%
12.	Operating Income	\$50.854	\$ 37.673	\$38,983	\$36.145	\$39,799	6.32%	34.99%
13.	Net Plant Investment	<u>\$512.589</u>	\$ 418.033	<u>\$420.024</u>	\$405.339	<u>\$410.138</u>	5.73%	22.62%
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4.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	56.56%	58.71%	59.98%	60.31%	56.50%	0.03%	-3.00%
15.	Net Plt. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$1.92	\$1.72	\$1.75	\$1.82	\$1.87	0.66%	11.63%
6.	Number of Customers Served:			·				
7.	Residential	96	94	93	91	90	1.63%	2.13%
8.	Commercial	15	15	14	14	14	1.74%	0.009
9.	Industrial	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	
0.	Other	2	2	2	2	2	0.00%	-
1.	Total Number of Customers	<u>113</u>	<u>111</u>	<u>109</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>106</u>	1.61%	<u>1.607</u>
2.	Annual Sales Volume: (Millions kWh)							
3.	Residential	1,468	1,313	1,316	1,224	1,188	5.43%	
4. 5.	Commercial Industrial	756 1,656	706 1,450	690 1,292	662 1,218	650 1,202	3.85% 8.34%	
6.	Other	1,036	134	134	1,216 124	126	3.75%	
7.	Total Sales	4.026	3.603	3.432	3,228	3.166	6.19%	
8.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	11.04%	9.12%	9.64%	8.85%	9.65%	3.42%	21.05
9.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	16.11%	12.16%	12.40%	10.76%	12.41%	6.74%	32.489
0.	Common Equity Ratio	47.41%	46.66%	48.09%	48.18%	47.24%	0.09%	1.619
1.	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	5.51	4.32	4.09	3.92	4.14	7.41%	27.559

Notes: [1] North Carolina retail jurisdictional revenue equates to 5% of total company electric utility revenue.

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Authorized Returns: Common Equity 11.80%, Overall 9.48%; Equity Ratio: 44.82%; Date of Order: 2-26-93

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

 ^[3] Source of Data: NCUC ES-1 Reports.
 [4] N/A denotes that the data is not available or not applicable or that information is, essentially, unmeaningful.

DUKE POWER, A DIVISION OF DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Retail Jurisdiction (Amounts in Thousands)

				2 Months End	led		Growth	nual Rate
Line		March	March	March	March	March	Four	Current
No.	<u>item</u> (a)	<u>2003</u> (b)	2002 (c)	2001	2000	1999 (A	Year	Year
	(a)	(5)	(0)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue	\$3,452,299	\$3,188,674	\$3,216,534	\$3,052,173	\$2,990,417	3.66%	8.279
2.	Operating Expenses:							
3.	Fuel	565,545	491,243	470,910	450,177	447,549	6.02%	15.139
4.	Purchased Power	295,258	283,913	314,133	269,820	268,191	2.43%	4.009
5.	Maintenance	383,658	309,415	287,321	280,230	285,214	7.69%	23.999
6 7	Other Operating Expenses Total Operating Expenses	<u>636,833</u> 1,881,292	<u>702,421</u> 1,786,992	<u>705.070</u> 1,777,434	<u>672,334</u> 1,672,561	<u>610,672</u> 1,611,626	1 <u>.05%</u> 3.94%	<u>-9.34°</u> 5.28°
8.	Depreciation & Amortization	448,557	409,466	381.060	361,483	346.819	6.64%	9,559
9.	Total Expenses & Depreciation	2,329,849	2,196,458	2,158,494	2,034,044	1,958,445	4.44%	6.07
10.	Total Operating Taxes	480,108	457.618	487.584	466.013	489,206	-0.47%	4.919
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11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	2.809.957	2.654,076	2,646,078	2,500,057	2,447,651	3.51%	5.879
12.	Operating Income	\$642,342	<u>\$534.598</u>	<u>\$570.456</u>	\$552.116	\$542.766	<u>4.30%</u>	20.159
13.	Net Plant Investment	\$6.941.319	<u>\$6.546.276</u>	<u>\$6.543.820</u>	\$6.230.098	\$6.051,224	<u>3.49%</u>	6.039
4.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	54.49%	56.04%	55.26%	54.80%	53.89%	0.28%	-2.779
5.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$2.01	\$2.05	\$2.03	\$2.04	\$2.02	-0.12%	-1.959
6. 7.	Number of Customers Served: Residential	1,357	1,358	1,324	1,293	1,262	1.83%	-0.079
8.	Commercial	219	217	209	206	201	2.17%	0.92
9.	Industrial	6	- 6	6	7	7	-3.78%	0.00
0.	Other	9	8	8	. 8	ž	6.48%	12.50
1.	Total Number of Customers	<u>1.591</u>	<u>1.589</u>	1. 54 7	1.514	1.47Ž	1.88%	0.13
2.	Annual Sales Volume: (Millions kWh)							
3.	Residential	18,557	16,871	17,226	16,335	16,209	3.44%	9.99
4.	Commercial	18,948	18,315	17,825	17,062	16,360	3.74%	3.46
5.	Industrial	15,696	15,612	17,319	17,660	18,030	-3.41%	0.54
6.	Other	224	220	236	230	221	0.34%	1.82
7.	Total Sales	<u>53.425</u>	<u>51.018</u>	<u>52.606</u>	<u>51.287</u>	<u>50.820</u>	<u>1.26%</u>	4.72
8.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	10.82%	9.25%	9.95%	9.99%	9.98%	2.04%	16.97
9.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	14.48%	11.48%	12.13%	12.15%	12.38%	3.99%	26.13
Ю.	Common Equity Ratio	57.43%	61.03%	57.34%	58.68%	55.20%	1.00%	-5.90
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11.	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	6.48	6.48	5.37	5.62	5.27	5.30%	0.00

Notes: [1] North Carolina retail jurisdictional revenue equates to 70% of total company electric utility revenue.
[2] Net Plant Investment reflects net plant in service.
[3] Source of Data: NCUC ES-1 Reports.
[4] This schedule reflects certain revised data for 1999 - 2001, as provided by Duke Power.

NANTAHALA POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA North Carolina Retail Jurisdiction (Amounts in Thousands)

			1	2 Months End	ed			nual Rate
Line		March	March	March	March	March	Four	Current
No.	ttem	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	Year	Year
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(8)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue	\$7 8,587	\$72,932	\$ 72,462	\$66,913	\$65,226	4.77%	7.759
2.	Operating Expenses:							
3.	Purchased Power - Special Contract	0	0	0	0	237	N/A	N/.
4.	Purchased Power - Regular	34,093	30,746	30,432	26,621	25,879	7.13%	10.899
5.	Maintenance	7,011	5,966	5,938	5,002	5,103	8.27%	17.529
6.	Other Operating Expenses	<u>8,291</u>	<u>10,218</u>	8.484	8,295	7,428	2.79%	-18.86
7.	Total Operating Expenses	49,395	46,930	44,854	39,918	38,647	6.33%	5.25
8.	Depreciation & Amortization	<u>8.062</u>	<u>7,341</u>	6,609	6,180	5,779	8.68%	9.82
9.	Total Expenses & Depreciation	57,457	54,271	51,463	46,098	44,426	6.64%	5.879
10.	Total Operating Taxes	<u>9,251</u>	<u>7,316</u>	8,582	9.141	9,264	-0.04%	26.45
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	66,708	<u>61,587</u>	60,045	55,239	53,690	5.58%	8.329
12.	Operating Income	\$ 11.879	\$11.345	\$12.4 17	\$ 11. 6 74	\$11.536	0.74%	4.719
13.	Net Plant Investment	<u>\$188.973</u>	\$173,014	<u>\$164.468</u>	<u>\$144.985</u>	\$ 140.137	<u>7.76%</u>	9.229
14.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	62.85%	64.35%	61.90%	59.66%	59.25%	1.49%	-2.339
15.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$2.40	\$2.37	\$2.27	\$2.17	\$2.15	2.79%	1.279
16.	Number of Customers Served:						0.770	4 75
17.	Residential	58	57	55	54	52	2.77%	1.759
18.	Commercial	7	7	7 0	7	6	3.93%	0.009
19.	Industrial	0	0	_	0	0	N/A	N/
20. 21.	Other Total Number of Customers	0 65	Ω 64	<u>0</u> 62	0 6 1	<u>0</u> 58	N/A 2.89%	N/. 1.569
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22.	Annual Sales Volume: (Millions kWh)		= 40			***		7.00
23.	Residential	586	546	560	516	495	4.31%	7.339
24	Commercial	423	385	380	357 140	346 137	5.15%	9.879 1.729
25. 26.	Industrial Other	118 2	116 2	134 2	2	2	-3.66% <u>0.00%</u>	0.009
27.	Total Sales	1.129	1.049	1.076	1.015	980	3.60%	7.639
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28.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	6.96%	7.03%	8.38%	8.43%	8.80%	-5.70%	-1.009
29.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	6.75%	6.90%	9.06%	9.23%	10.03%	-7.62%	-2.179
30 .	Common Equity Ratio	64.77%	61.50%	58.99%	55.96%	52.61%	5.34%	5.329
31.	Estimated Pre-tax interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	3.95	3.37	3.90	3.64	3.49	3.14%	17.219
32.	LAST RATE CASE A	Authorized Returns: C	ommon Equity	12.10%, Overal	10.32%; Equ	ity Ratio; 56.11%;	Date of Order:	6-18-93

Notes: [1] North Carolina retail jurisdictional revenue equates to 97% of total company electric utility revenue.

^[2] Net Plant Investment reflects net plant in service.[3] Source of Data: NCUC ES-1 Reports.

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

NORTH CAROLINA NATURAL GAS CORPORATION SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Retail Jurisdiction (Amounts in Thousands)

		12 A	lonths Ended				nual h Rate
	March	March	March	March	March	Four	Current
ltem	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	Year	Year
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
Operating Revenue:							
Residential	\$64,191	\$57,301	\$74,560	\$47,210	\$39,955	12.58%	12.02%
Commercial	42,455	40,722	51,463	30,853	26,834	12.15%	4.26%
Industrial	110,672	44,617	113,611	90,673	38,209	30.46%	148.05%
Public Authorities	1 946	2,032	2,488	1,534	1,414	8.31%	-4.23%
Resale	43,300	11,620	41,714	22,303	13,546	33.71%	272.63%
Other	106,533	112.620	114,580	24,492	30,505	36.70%	-5.40%
Total Operating Revenue	369.097	268.912	398,416	217,065	150,463	25.15%	37.26%
Cost of Gas	282,738	186,783	327.343	142,987	77,437	38.23%	51.37%
Margin	86,359	82,129	71,073	74,078	73,026	4.28%	5.15%
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O & M Expenses	48,322	47,987	39,328	31,394	24,248	18.81%	0.70%
Other Deductions	<u>24,920</u>	25,009	<u>27,554</u>	<u> 26,058</u>	28,716	-3.48%	-0.36%
Operating Income	\$13,117	\$9.133	\$ 4.191	\$16.626	\$20,062	<u>-10.08%</u>	43.62%
Net Plant Investment	\$390,701	\$350.468	\$113.275	\$229.964	\$ 212.819	16.40%	<u>11.48%</u>
Operating Exp. as a % of Margin	55.95%	58.43%	55.33%	42.38%	33.20%	13.94%	-4.24%
Net Plt. Investment per \$ of Margin	\$ 4.52	\$4.27	\$1.59	\$ 3.10	\$2.91	11.64%	5.85%
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Gas Delivered in DTs:							
Residential	6,995	5,774	6,872	6,341	5,489	6.25%	21.15%
Commercial	5,828	5,090	5,897	5,465	4,977	4.03%	14.50%
Industrial	24,128	8,637	20,989	26,211	11,407	20.60%	179.36%
Public Authorities	263	235	290	262	264	-0.09%	11.91%
Resale	8,507	1, 5 03	6,034	5,184	2,795	32.08%	466.00%
Other	24,208	33,46 7	14,445	14.271	<u> 29.525</u>	-4.84%	-27.67%
Total DTs	69,929	<u>54.706</u>	<u>54.527</u>	<u>57.734</u>	<u>54.457</u>	<u>6.45%</u>	27.83%
Number of Customers:							
Residential	107	104	96	101	98	2.22%	2.88%
Commercial	15	14	14	14	14	1.74%	7.14%
Industrial	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Public Authorities	4	4	4	4	4	0.00%	0.00%
Resale	58	56	44	51	49	4.31%	3.57%
Other	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	N/A	N/A
Total Number of Customers	<u>184</u>	<u>178</u>	<u>158</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>2.76%</u>	3.37%
Estimated Overall Rate of Return	3.54%	4.86%	7.32%	9.66%	10.45%	-23.71%	-27.16%
Estimated Return on Common Equity	0.76%	2.71%	7.70%	12.63%	12.21%	-50.05%	-71.96%
Common Equity Ratio	50.13%	48.27%	47.12%	52.20%	60.97%	-4.78%	3.85%
Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	1.22	1.59	2.59	4.49	5.01	-29.75%	-23.27%

Notes:

LAST RATE CASE

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

Authorized Returns: Common Equity N/A, Overall 10.09%; Equity Ratio: N/A; Date of Order: 10-27-95

^[1] Rates are set on a total company basis.

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

^[4] Data provided on Lines 33-36, Columns (b), (c), and (d), is based on calculations derived from use of Carolina Power & Light Company's capital structure. The acquisition of North Carolina Natural Gas Corporation by Carolina Power & Light Company was approved by the Commission on July 13, 1999.

^[5] N/A denotes that 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 Retail Jurisdiction (Amounts in Thousands)

1. (2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7.	item (a)	March 2003	March 2002	March	March	March	Four	Current
1. C 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.	(a)		2002					
2. 3. 4. 5. 6.	•			<u> 2001</u>	2000	1999	Year	Year
2. 3. 4. 5. 6.		(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
3. 4. 5. 6.	Operating Revenue:							
4. 5. 6.	Residential	\$ 310,161	\$ 236,945	\$303,595	\$202,076	\$171,992	15.88%	30.90%
5. 6.	Commercial	139,660	114,473	161,657	107,125	86,790	12.63%	22.00%
5. 6.	Industrial	39,362	35,060	119,533	88,575	73,389	-14.42%	12.279
6.	Public Authorities	455	560	2,944	2,781	2,691	-35.88%	-18.759
	Resale	9	3	2,544	2,1.01	2,001	N/A	200.009
	Other	23.802	25.352	14,041	21,729	81.415	-26.47%	-6.119
	Total Operating Revenue	23,802 513,449	412.393	601,770	422,286	416,277	5.38%	24.50%
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9. C	Cost of Gas	<u>315,176</u>	225,233	422,570	243,6 07	224.115	8.90%	39.93%
10. N	Margin	198,273	187,160	179,200	178,679	192,162	0.79%	5.94%
11. C	O & M Expenses	81,890	78,423	77,592	71,098	69,025	4.37%	4.42%
12. C	Other Deductions	<u>61.319</u>	<u>55,917</u>	<u>51.417</u>	55,607	<u>66,165</u>	<u>-1.88%</u>	9.66%
13. (Operating Income	\$55.064	\$ 52.820	\$50,191	\$51.974	\$ 56.972	<u>-0.85%</u>	4.25%
14. N	Net Plant Investment	\$ 651.119	\$608.869	<u>\$585.697</u>	<u>\$556.105</u>	\$507.169	6.45%	6.94%
15. C	Operating Exp. as a % of Margin	41.30%	41.90%	43.30%	39.79%	35.92%	3.55%	-1.43%
16. N	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Margin	\$3.28	\$3.25	\$3.27	\$3.11	\$2.64	5.58%	0.92%
	Gas Delivered in DTs:	00.007	04.070	00 440	24.572	22.270	40 400/	20.000
18.	Residential	32,907	24,876	28,443	24,572	22,378	10.12%	32.28%
19.	Commercial	19,166	14,782	18,503	16,240	14,394	7.42%	29.66%
20.	Industrial	6,141	5,427	20,608	20,870	20,753	-26.25%	13.16%
21.	Public Authorities	58	67	303	3 96	424	-39.18%	-13.439
22.	Resale	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
23.	Other	28,710	26,272	13,667	20,885	50,444	-13.14%	9,289
24. T	Total DTs	86.982	71.424	81.524	82.963	108.393	<u>-5.35%</u>	21.789
25. N	Number of Customers:							
26.	Residential	416	389	375	357	338	5.33%	6.94%
27.	Commercial	46	43	42	41	40	3.56%	6.98%
28.	Industrial	2	2	2	2	2	0.00%	0.00%
29.	Public Authorities	1	1	4	6	6	-36,11%	0.00%
30	Resale	ò	Ó	o	0	0	N/A	N/A
31.	Other	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	Õ	ŏ	N/A	N/A
	Total Number of Customers	<u>465</u>	435	423	40 <u>6</u>	386	4.77%	6.90%
33. E	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	8.31%	8.86%	8.85%	10.11%	10.77%	-6.28%	-6.21%
34. E	Estimated Return on Common Equity	9.04%	10.08%	9.91%	12.33%	13.25%	-9.12 %	-10.32%
35 . C	Common Equity Ratio	53.86%	52.77%	50.85%	52.92%	54.01%	-0.07%	2.07%
36. E	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	3.31	3.31	3.07	3.91	4.21	-5.84%	0.00%

Notes: [1] North Carolina retail jurisdictional revenue equates to 46% 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.

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

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC. SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Retail Jurisdiction (Amounts in Thousands)

			12 N	fonths Ended				inual th Rate
Line	•	March	March	March	March	March	Four	Current
No.	l te m	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	Year	Year
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1,	Operating Revenue:							
2.	Residential	\$256,596	\$207,815	\$294,691	\$199,641	\$172,731	10.40%	23.47%
3.	Commercial	112,418	97,664	138,485	87,642	75,2 6 8	10.55%	15,11%
4.	Industrial	9,419	9,203	12,951	8,943	6,408	10.11%	2.35%
5.	Public Authorities	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
6.	Resale	8	8	5	0	0	N/A	0.00%
7.	Other	46,544	43,432	47.842	42,216	39.804	3.99%	7.17%
8.	Total Operating Revenue	424,985	358,122	493,974	338.442	294,211	9.63%	18.67%
9.	Cost of Gas	253 ,771	192.912	<u>322,110</u>	168,706	136,670	16.73%	31.55%
10.	Margin	171,214	165,210	171,864	169,736	157,541	2.10%	3.63%
11.	O & M Expenses	70,482	70,077	67,157	67,403	66,770	1.36%	0.58%
12.	Other Deductions	56,326	61,263	68,859	<u>59,419</u>	55,095	0.55%	-8.06%
13.	Operating Income	<u>\$44.406</u>	\$33.870	\$35.848	\$ 42.914	\$35.676	<u>5.62%</u>	31.11%
14.	Net Plant Investment	\$559.303	\$547 <u>.405</u>	<u>\$483.501</u>	\$503.960	\$480.629	<u>3.86%</u>	2.17%
15.	Operating Exp. as a % of Margin	41.17%	42.42%	39.08%	39.71%	42.38%	-0.72%	-2.95%
16.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Margin	\$3.27	\$3.31	\$2.81	\$2.97	\$3.05	1.76%	-1.21%
17.	Gas Delivered in DTs:					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
18.	Residential	25,613	20,527	25,114	22,033	19,254	7.40%	24.78%
19.	Commercial	14,586	12,279	14,760	13,264	11,812	5.42%	18.79%
20.		1,499	1,410	1,536	1,653	1,219		6.31%
	Industrial	•					5.31%	0.3176 N/A
21.	Public Authorities	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	
22	Resale	2	14	0	0	0	N/A	-85.71%
23. 24.	Other Total DTs	<u>30,247</u> 71,947	30,534 64,764	<u>30,224</u> 71.634	33,363 70.313	<u>30,890</u> <u>63,175</u>	-0.52% 3.30%	-0.94% 11.09%
25.	Number of Customers:							
26.	Residential	349	334	326	313	299	3.94%	4.49%
20. 27.	Commercial	36	36	44	43	42	-3.78%	0.00%
	Industrial	0	0	2	2	2	-5.76% N/A	0.0078 N/A
28.		0	0	0	0	0		N/A N/A
29.	Public Authorities		0	0	0	0	N/A	
30	Resale Other	0 <u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	Q	Q	Q	N/A	N/A N/A
31. 32.	Total Number of Customers	<u>385</u>	<u>370</u>	372	<u>358</u>	343	N/A 2.93%	4.05%
33.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	8.56%	9.01%	11.25%	11.13%	8.39%	0.50%	-4.99%
34.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	10.73%	10.86%	15.27%	15.12%	9.07%	4.29%	-1.20%
35.	Common Equity Ratio	47.90%	48.26%	48.52%	48.18%	49.15%	-0.64%	-0.75%
36.	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	3.47	3.26	4.16	4.11	2.81	5.42%	6.44%
37.	LAST RATE CASE	Authorized Returns: C	ommon Equity	11.40%, Overa	II 9.82%; Equi	ty Ratio: 51.91%;	Date of Order: 1	0-30-98

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.

ALLTEL CAROLINA, INC. SELECTED FINANCIAL OPERATIONAL DATA North Carolina Intrastate Operations (Amounts In Thousands)

			12	Months End	ed	12 Months Ended Gro					
Line		December	December	December	December	December	Four	Curren			
No.	ltem (a)	2002 (b)	2001 (c)	2000 (d)	<u>1999</u> (e)	<u>1998</u> (f)	<u>Year</u> (g)	Year (h)			
1.	Operating Revenue:										
2.	Basic Local Service	\$74,072	\$73,312	\$69,848	\$63,217	\$63,267	4.02%	1.04			
3.	Network Access	22,093	25,599	24,875	21,166	20,200	2.26%	-13.70			
4.	Long Distance Message	4,340	4,380	5,035	5,643	5,498	-5.74%	-0.91			
5.	Miscellaneous	2,201	4,262	3,994	3,636	3,577	-11.43%	-48.36			
6.	Uncollectibles	(1,566)	(932)	(511)	(564)	(580)	28.19%	68.03			
7.	Total Operating Revenue	101,140	106,621	103,241	93,098	91,962	2.41%	-5.14			
8.	Operating Expenses	39,119	43,465	47,321	46,647	42,171	-1.86%	-10.00			
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	19,424	18,153	17,499	16,157	15,276	6.19%	7.00			
0.	Total Operating Taxes	15,773	17. 046	14,894	11,879	13,43 <u>4</u>	4.09%	- 7.47			
1.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	74,316	78,664	79,714	74,683	70,881	1.19%	-5.53			
2.	Other Operating (Income) & Expense	<u>0</u>	Ō	Ö	Q	Q	N/A	N.			
3.	Operating Income	<u>\$26,824</u>	\$ 27,957	\$23 .527	<u>\$18,415</u>	\$21,081	6.21%	-4.05			
4.	Net Plant Investment	<u>\$179.706</u>	<u>\$165.038</u>	\$160,844	\$153,889	<u>\$146.651</u>	<u>5.21%</u>	8.89			
 5.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	38.68%	40.77%	45.84%	50.11%	45.86%	-4.17%	-5.13			
5 .	Oper. Exp. as a % or rotal Revenue	30.00%	40.77%	40.04%	50.1176	43.00%	-4.1770	-5.13			
6.	Net Plt. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$1.78	\$1.55	\$1.56	\$1.65	\$ 1.59	2.86%	14.84			
7.	Local Access Lines:							_			
8.	Residential	180	181	178	169	158	3.31%	-0.55			
9	Business	56	55	55	52	49	3.39%	1,82			
0.	Total Local Access Lines	236	236	233	221	207	3.33%	0.00			
1.	Total Access Lines:										
2.	Residential	180	181	178	169	158	3.31%	-0.55			
3.	Business	56	55	55	52	49	3.39%	1.82			
4.	Total Access Lines	236	236	233	221	207	3.33%	0.00			
5.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	17.28%	18.59%	16.35%	13.52%	16.01%	1.93%	-7.05			
5 .	Estimated Return on Common Equity	16.82%	18.90%	18.00%	14.90%	20.65%	-5.00%	-11.01			
7.	Common Equity Ratio	75.81%	72.31%	67.00%	65.39%	61.69%	5.29%	4.84			
8.	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	5.73	5.53	5.65	4.24	7.24	-5.68%	3.62			

Notes: [1] North Carolina intrastate revenue, i.e., jurisdictional revenue equates to approximately 74% of total North Carolina revenue, i.e., intrastate and interstate revenue.

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

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

^[4] ALLTEL Carolina, Inc. has elected price regulation. Under that election the information on which this report is based is filed on an annual calendar-year basis for reporting periods beginning after June 30, 1998. The data for ALLTEL Carolina, Inc. included herein is updated annually beginning with the calendar year 1998.

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

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA North Carolina Intrastate Operations

(Amounts in Thousands)

			4-		•		Ann	
Line		December	December	Months End December	ea December	December	Growth	
No.	item	2002	2001	2000	1999	December 1998	Four <u>Year</u>	Current Year
IIV.	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue:	(5)	(0)	(4)	(0)	(1)	(8)	(11)
2.	Basic Local Service	\$971,764	\$1,074,258	\$1,068,769	\$1,035,846	\$955,410	0.43%	-9.54%
3.	Network Access	53,847	99,455	115,247	144,537	158,061	-23.60%	-45.86%
4.	Long Distance Message	22,273	27,061	27,714	35,137	42,476	-14.90%	-17.69%
5.	Miscellaneous	76,756	75,050	66,612	58,366	47,596	12.69%	2.27%
6.	Uncollectibles	(21,867)	•		(9,102)	· ·	36,49%	8.45%
7.	Total Operating Revenue	1.102.773	1,255,661	1,268,249	1,264,784	1,197,243	-2.03%	-12.18%
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8.	Operating Expenses	460,668	527,844	448,878	457,763	463,029	-0.13%	-12.73%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	332,883	342,955	343,992	310,910	291,352	3.39%	-2.94%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	122,665	162,140	195,095	200,530	166,120	<u>-7.30%</u>	-24,35%
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>916,216</u>	1,032,939	987,965	969,203	920,501	<u>-0.12%</u>	-11.30%
12.	Other Operating (Income) & Expense	(182)	(350)	(247)	46	(530)	N/A	- <u>48.00%</u>
13.	Operating Income	\$186,739	<u>\$223.072</u>	<u>\$280,531</u>	<u>\$295,535</u>	\$277.272	<u>-9.41%</u>	<u>-16.29%</u>
14.	Net Plant Investment	<u>\$1,814,903</u>	\$1,932.824	\$1.931.005	\$1,869,982	\$1,863,7 <u>34</u>	<u>-0.66%</u>	<u>-6.10%</u>
15.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	41.77%	42.04%	35.39%	36.19%	38.67%	1.95%	-0.64%
16.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$1.65	\$ 1.54	\$1.52	\$1.48	\$1.56	1.41%	7.14%
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17.	Local Access Lines:							
18.	Residential	1,572	1,664	1,690	1,667	1,600	-0.44%	-5.53%
19.	Business	735	76 7	705	694	686	1.74%	-4.17%
20.	Total Local Access Lines	2,307	2,431	2,395	2.361	2.286	0.23%	-5.10%
21.	Total Access Lines:							
22.	Residential	1,626	1,673	1,690	1,667	1,600	0.40%	-2.81%
23.	Business	736	769	714	698	690	1.63%	-4.29%
24.	Total Access Lines	2,362	2,442	2,404	2,365	2.290	0.78%	-3.28%
25.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	11.61%	13.38%	18.37%	18.37%	17.19%	-9.35%	-13.23%
26.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	16.34%	19.14%	27.75%	27.75%	25.24%	-10.30%	-14.63%
	Common Equity Ratio	58.65%	56.16%	55.12%	55.12%	57.55%	0.47%	4.43%
28.	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	8.96	7.78	9.08	9.08	9.30	-0.93%	15.17%
29.	LAST RATE CASE Auth	norizød Returns: Col	mmon Equity	15.00%, Over	all 12.51%; Ec	quity Ratio: 54.80%	; Date of Order: 1	1-9-84

Notes: [1] North Carolina intrastate revenue, i.e., jurisdictional revenue, equates to approximately 69% of total North Carolina revenue, i.e., intrastate and interstate revenue.

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

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

^[4] BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. has elected price regulation. Under that election the information on which this report is based is filed on an annual calendar-year basis for reporting periods beginning after June 30, 1996. The data for BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. included herein is updated annually beginning with the calendar year 1996.

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CAROLINA TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA North Carolina Intrastate Operations

(Amounts in Thousands)

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1 3		Bassachus -		Months End			Growth	
Line		December	December	December	December	December	Four	Current
<u>No.</u>	ltem	<u>2002</u>	2001	2000	1999	<u>1998</u>	Year	Year
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(1)	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue:							
2.	Basic Local Service	\$414,413	\$420,406	\$411,137	\$392,091	\$360,990	3.51%	-1.43%
3.	Network Access	75,095	99,482	110,536	86,775	89,606	-4.32%	-24.51%
4.	Long Distance Message	10,746	12,892	18,286	24,172	24,436	-18.57%	-16.65%
5.	Miscellaneous	44,118	40,937	36,815	32,335	34,582	6.28%	7.77%
6.	Uncollectibles	(10,304)		(5,806)			15.87%	-27.77%
7.	Total Operating Revenue	534,068	559,451	570,968	528,708	503,898	1.46%	-4.54%
•	Total operating freedom	*******	500, 101	#T#!###	<u> </u>	****	1.4070	
8.		263,327	256,998	247,280	281,128	259,881	0.33%	2.46%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	143,738	136,568	143,427	134,968	129,667	2.61%	5.25%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	49,681	69,301	76,060	47,966	50,037	-0.18%	-28.31%
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	456,746	462,867	466,767	464,062	439,585	0.96%	-1.32%
12	Operating Income	\$77.322	\$06 69 4	\$104.701	\$64 646	\$64.313	A 710/	10.048
12.	Operating Income	<u> 511.322</u>	<u>\$96,584</u>	<u>\$104,201</u>	<u>\$64.646</u>	<u>\$64,313</u>	4.71%	<u>-19.94%</u>
13.	Net Plant Investment	<u>\$714,752</u>	<u>\$779,735</u>	\$635,956	<u>\$623,474</u>	\$642,7 <u>0</u> 7	2.69%	<u>-8.33%</u>
14.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	49.31%	45.94%	43,31%	53.17%	51.57%	-1.12%	7.33%
15.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$1.34	\$1.39	\$1.11	\$1.18	\$1.28	1.21%	-3.98%
16.	Local Access Lines:							
		000	040	047	004	044	4 540/	4 5 404
17.	Residential	896	910	917	881	844	1.51%	-1.54%
18.	Business	297	303	309	2 9 7	<u> 284</u>	1.13%	-1.98%
19.	Total Local Access Lines	1.193	1,213	1,226	1,178	<u>1.128</u>	<u>1.41%</u>	<u>-1.65%</u>
20.	Total Access Lines:							
	Residential	896	010	017	904	044	4 640/	4 5 40/
21.			910	917	881	844	1.51%	-1.54%
22.	Business	298	304	310	298	285	1.12%	-1.97%
23.	Total Access Lines	<u>1.194</u>	1,214	1,227	1.179	<u>1.129</u>	1.41%	<u>-1.65%</u>
24.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	14.62%	16.53%	17.81%	12.36%	11.69%	5.75%	-11.55%
	Estimated Return on Common Equity				15.96%	15.10%		
25.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	21.26%	22.72%	25.05%			8.93%	-6.43%
26.	Common Equity Ratio	60.39%	63.21%	61.20%	62.08%	62.09%	-0.69%	-4.46%
27.	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	12.61	11.65	11.12	7.35	7.59	13.53%	8.24%
28.	LAST RATE CASE Author	rized Returns: Com	mon Equity 1	5.25%, Overal	 I 11.82%; Equ	ity Ratio: 48.40%;	Date of Order:	3-30-83

Notes: [1] North Carolina intrastate revenue, i.e., jurisdictional revenue, equates to approximately 73% of total North Carolina revenue, i.e., intrastate and interstate revenue.

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

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

^[4] Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company has elected price regulation. Under that election the information on which this report is based is filed on an annual calendar-year basis for reporting periods beginning after June 30, 1996. The data for Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company included herein is updated annually beginning with the calendar year 1996.

CENTRAL TELEPHONE COMPANY SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA North Carolina Intrastate Operations (Amounts in Thousands)

							An	nual
				Months End			Growth	
Line		December	December	December	December	December	Four	Current
No.		2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	Year	Year
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue:							
2.	Basic Local Service	\$103,228	\$106,420	\$103,822	\$98,597	\$88,288	3.99%	-3.00%
3.	Network Access	16,839	26,534	22,930	19,271	19,093	-3.09%	-36.54%
4.	Long Distance Message	5,310	6,781	7,250	8,163	7,841	-9.28%	-21.69%
5.	Miscellaneous	6,863	6,421	9,691	11,183	12,488	-13.90%	6.88%
6.	Uncollectibles	(2,619)		(1.721)		(1,773)	10.24%	-9.00%
7.	Total Operating Revenue	129,621	143,278	141,972	135,877	125,937	0.72%	-9.53%
		•						
8.	Operating Expenses	65,788	70,844	71,274	77,567	70,236	-1.62%	-7.14%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	26,791	25,644	24,167	23,066	21,629	5.50%	4.47%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	14,383	<u> 17,897</u>	17,588	13,145	14.113	0.47%	-19.63%
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	106,962	114,385	113,029	113,778	105,978	0.23%	-6.49%
12.	Operating Income	\$22,659	\$28,893	\$28.943	\$22,099	\$19.959	3.22%	<u>-21.58%</u>
13	Net Plant Investment	\$272.060	\$278,090	\$220,683	\$208,582	£240.044	e env	2 470/
13.	Met Liqui maestineur	<u>\$212.000</u>	3210.030	<u>4220,000</u>	<u>\$200.562</u>	\$210,041	<u>6.68%</u>	<u>-2.17%</u>
14.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	50.75%	49.45%	50.20%	57.09%	55.77%	-2.33%	2.65%
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15.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$2.10	\$1.94	\$1.55	\$1.54	\$1.67	5.92%	8.14%
16.	Local Access Lines:							
17.	Residential	202	207	210	204	196	0.76%	-2.42%
18.	Business	74	<u>78</u>	<u>78</u>	73	<u>70</u>	1.40%	-5.13%
1 9 .	Total Local Access Lines	<u>276</u>	<u> 285</u>	<u>288</u>	277	<u> 266</u>	0.93%	<u>-3.16%</u>
20.	Total Access Lines:							
21.	Residential	202	207	210	204	196	0.76%	-2.42%
22.	Business	74	78	79	73	70	1.40%	-5.13%
23.	Total Access Lines	276	285	289	277	266	0.93%	-3.16%
			<u> </u>					
24.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	14.46%	17.63%	18.19%	13.92%	12.84%	3.02%	-17.98%
25.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	16.18%	20.06%	18.23%	13.57%	12.39%	6.90%	-19.34%
26.	Common Equity Ratio	79.14%	79.05%	90.50%	89.98%	89.13%	-2.93%	0.11%
27.	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	13.39	14.49	15.61	11.96	10.79	5.55%	-7.59%
28.	LAST RATE CASE Auth	norized Returns: Co	mmon Equity	15.50%, Over	ell 12.09%; Ed	juity Ratio: 48.30%	Date of Order:	6-22-83

Notes: [1] North Carolina intrastate revenue, i.e., jurisdictional revenue, equates to approximately 75% of total North Carolina revenue, i.e., intrastate and interstate revenue.

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

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

^[4] Central Telephone Company has elected price regulation. Under that election the information on which this report is based is filed on an annual calendar-year basis for reporting periods beginning after June 30, 1996. The data for Central Telephone Company included herein is updated annually beginning with the calendar year 1996.

CITIZENS TELEPHONE COMPANY SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA North Carolina Intrastate Operations (Amounts in Thousands)

			40	Months Ende	.a			nual
Line		March	March	March	March	March	Growth Four	Current
No.	ltem	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	Year	Year
HQ,	(a)	(b)	(c)	(q)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue:							
2	Operating Revenue: Basic Local Service	\$5,741	\$5,684	\$5,361	\$4,807	\$4,672	5.29%	1.00%
3.	Network Access	4,596	3,613	3,093	3,830	3,634	6.05%	27.21%
4.	Long Distance Message	1,216	1,304	1,346	1,238	1,164	1.10%	-6.75%
5.	Miscellaneous	1,032	1,062	1,051	885	870		-2.82%
6.		(17)	(20)		(12)		4.36%	
	Uncollectibles			(<u>13)</u>		(<u>19)</u>	<u>-2.74%</u>	-15.00%
7.	Total Operating Revenue	<u>12,568</u>	<u>11,643</u>	10,838	1 <u>0,748</u>	10,321	5.05%	7.94%
8.	Operating Expenses	4,858	4,398	4,454	4,260	4,074	4.50%	10.46%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	2,353	2,285	3,608	1,653	2,452	-1.03%	2.98%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	1,700	1,720	915	1,845	1,234	8.34%	-1.16%
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	8,911	8,403	8,977	7,758	7.760	3.52%	6.05%
12.	Operating Income	\$3,657	\$3.240	\$1.861	\$2,990	\$2.561	9.31%	12.87%
13.	Net Plant Investment	\$24.773	\$23.685	\$21,653	\$20,528	\$18.723	7.25%	4.59%
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14.	Oper, Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	38.65%	37.77%	41.10%	39.64%	39.47%	-0.52%	2.33%
15.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$1.97	\$2.03	\$2.00	\$1.91	\$ 1.81	2.14%	-2.96%
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16.	Local Access Lines:							
17.	Residential	17	17	17	16	16	1.53%	0.00%
18.	Business	<u>4</u>	4	4	4	<u>4</u>	0.00%	0.00%
19.	Total Local Access Lines	21	21	<u>21</u>	20	<u>20</u>	1.23%	0.00%
20.	Total Access Lines:							
21.	Residential	17	17	17	16	16	1.53%	0.00%
22.	Business	4	4	4	4	4	0.00%	0.00%
23.	Total Access Lines	21	2 1	21	20	20	1.23%	0.00%
24.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	15,19%	13,95%	8,44%	15.76%	14.03%	2.01%	8.89%
	Estimated Return on Common Equity	18.10%	16.73%	8.54%	20.26%	18.08%	0.03%	8.19%
25.								
26.	Common Equity Ratio	69.85%	66.84%	64.98%	62.43%	59.01%	4.31%	4.50%
27.	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	8.55	7.25	4.13	7.25	5.67	10.81%	17.93%
28.	LAST RATE CASE Auti	norized Returns: Con	nmon Equity 1	2.70%, Overa	 III 10.11%; Eq	uity Ratio: 44.95%	; Date of Order	2-26-91

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.

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

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

CONCORD TELEPHONE COMPANY SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

North Carolina Intrastate Operations (Amounts In Thousands)

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Line		Danambar		Months End			Growth	
Line		December	December	December	December	December	Four	Current
No.	ltem (a)	2002 (b)	2001 (c)	2000 (d)	1999 (e)	1998 (f)	<u>Year</u> (g)	Y <u>ear</u> (h)
		(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	(,,	(8)	(1.7
1.	Operating Revenue:	644.000	645 000	A 40 007	****	605.450	0.4704	4 000
2.	Basic Local Service	\$44,633	\$45,386	\$42,387	\$38,190	\$35,129	6.17%	-1.66%
3.	Network Access	6,437	6,582	6,907	6,639	5,836	2.48%	-2.20%
4.	Long Distance Message	3,973	4,565	5,020	4,739	4,937	-5.29%	-12.97%
5.	Miscellaneous	7,806	7,035	7,736	7,264	6,970	2.87%	10.96%
6.	Uncollectibles	(836)	(270)	(241)	<u>(178)</u>	(73)	83.96%	209,63%
7.	Total Operating Revenue	62,013	63,298	61,809	<u>56,654</u>	52,799	<u>4.10%</u>	-2.03%
8.	Operating Expenses	28,413	29,255	29,087	28,107	27,025	1.26%	-2.88%
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	17,871	16,495	15,434	11,532	11.968	10.54%	8.34%
10.	Total Operating Taxes	5.887	8,133	7,996	7.810	6,544	1.29%	-15.32%
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	53,171	53,883	52, <u>517</u>	47.449	45,537	3.95%	-1.32%
• • •	Total Expenses, Dept. & Taxes	99,171 .	22,002	<u> 72,711.</u>	שהבוור	28'A8I	<u>5.55/l</u>	- 1.5.2.70
12.	Operating Income	<u>\$8,842</u>	\$9.415	\$9,292	<u>\$9.205</u>	\$7,262	5.04%	<u>-6.09%</u>
13.	Net Plant Investment	\$69 <u>.</u> 878	<u>\$73,965</u>	<u>\$73,143</u>	\$64.987	\$60.644	3.61%	-5.53%
14.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	45.82%	46.22%	47.06%	49.61%	51.18%	-2.73%	-0.87%
15.	Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$1.13	\$1.17	\$1.18	\$1.15	\$1.15	-0.44%	-3.42%
16. 17. 18. 19.	Local Access Lines: Residential Business Total Local Access Lines	89 26 115	91 26 117	91 27 118	88 25 113	84 24 108	1.46% 2.02% 1.58%	-2.20% 0.00% -1.71%
20.	Total Access Lines:							
21.	Residential	89	91	91	88	84	1.46%	-2.20%
22.	Business	26	26	27	25	24	2.02%	0.00%
23.	Total Access Lines	115	117	118	113	108	1.58%	-1.71%
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24.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	14.46%	14.53%	15.98%	18.12%	15.82%	-2.22%	-0.48%
25.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	18.42%	14.47%	19.24%	21.76%	18.21%	0.29%	27.30%
26.	Common Equity Ratio	69.15%	66.38%	71.44%	75.41%	78.06%	-2.98%	4.17%
	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage							

Notes: [1] North Carolina intrastate revenue, i.e., jurisdictional revenue equates to approximately 74% of total North Carolina revenue, i.e., intrastate and interstate revenue.

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

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

^[4] Concord Telephone Company has elected price regulation. Under that election the information on which this report is based is filed on an annual calendar-year basis for reporting periods beginning after June 30, 1997. The data for Concord Telephone Company included herein is updated annually beginning with the calendar year 1997.

LEXCOM TELEPHONE COMPANY SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA Total Company Utility Operations (Amounts In Thousands)

			12 (Months Ende	d		Growth	iual Rate
Line		March	March	March	March	March	Four	Current
No.	lt e m	2003	2002	<u> 2001</u>	2000	<u>1999</u>	Year	Year
	(a)	(p)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue:							
2.	Basic Local Service	\$ 13,565	\$14,187	\$12,463	\$12,026	\$10,770	5.94%	-4.389
3.	Network Access	4,868	4,205	3,233	3,035	2,908	13.75%	15.779
4.	Long Distance Message	317	328	357	437	491	-10.36%	-3.359
5.	Miscellaneous	2,492	2,856	3,887	3,455	3,187	-5.96%	-12.759
6.	Uncollectibles	(178)	(333)	(126)	(173)	(1 76)	0.28%	-46,559
7.	Total Operating Revenue	21,064	21,243	19,814	18,780	17,180	5,23%	<u>-0.849</u>
8.	Operating Expenses	7,988	7,468	7,621	8,375	9,401	-3.99%	6.969
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	3,322	3,655	3,416	3,070	2,660	5.71%	-9.119
9. 10.	Total Operating Taxes	5,524	5,540	5,060	4,677	4,138	7.49%	-0.299
1.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	1 <u>6,834</u>	16,663	16,097	<u>16,122</u>	16,199	0.97%	1.039
١.	Total Expenses, Dept. & Taxes							
12.	Operating Income	<u>\$4.230</u>	\$4.580	\$3 ,717	<u>\$2,658</u>	<u>\$981</u>	44.10%	<u>-7.649</u>
13.	Net Plant Investment	<u>\$37.613</u>	\$38,466	\$37,941	\$36,306	\$34,506	2.18%	-2.22%
14.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	37.92%	35.16%	38.46%	44.60%	54.72%	-8.76%	7.859
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15.	Net Plt. Investment per \$ of Revenue	\$1.79	\$1.81	\$1.91	\$1.93	\$2.01	-2.86%	-1.109
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16.	Local Access Lines:							
17.	Residential	24	24	25	25	24	0.00%	0.009
18.	Business	9	9	1.0	10	<u>10</u>	-2.60%	0.009
9.	Total Local Access Lines	<u>33</u>	33	<u>35</u>	<u>35</u>	34	<u>-0.74%</u>	0.009
20.	Total Access Lines:							
21.	Residential	24	24	25	25	24	0.00%	0.009
22.	Business	9	9	11	10	10	-2.60%	0.00%
23.	Total Access Lines	33	33	36	35	34	-0.74%	0.00%
	Total Access Lilles	<u> </u>	77	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u></u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
24.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	13.65%	12.57%	13.72%	9.30%	5.47%	25.69%	8.59%
25.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	13.85%	12.81%	14.07%	9.42%	5.22%	27.63%	8.129
26.	Common Equity Ratio	96.60%	95.65%	94.31%	92.58%	90.10%	1.76%	0.999
27.	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage							
	Ratio (Times)	112.73	87.09	60.63	41.53	27.93	41.74%	29.44%

Notes: [1] Rates are set on a total company basis.
[2] Net Plant Investment reflects net plant in service.
[3] Source of Data: NCUC TS-1 Reports.

MEBTEL COMMUNICATIONS SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA Total Company Utility Operations (Amounts in Thousands)

				Annual Growth Rate				
Line		December	December	Months End December	December	December	Four Year	Current
No.		2002	2001	2000	1999	1998		Year
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue:		** ***	40.00	***	*****	44.00%	0.040
2.	Basic Local Service	\$3 ,523	\$3,625	\$3,288	\$ 2,754	\$2,313	11.09% 5.98%	-2.819 -4.539
3.	Network Access	3,919	4,105 365	4,105 454	3,71 <i>7</i> 739	3,106 819	-18.69%	-4.537 -1.929
4.	Long Distance Message Miscellaneous	358 673	785	801	866	430	11.85%	-1.327
5. 6.	Uncollectibles	(31)	(60)	(38)	29	23	N/A	-48.33°
7	Total Operating Revenue	8,442	8,820	8,610	8,105	6,691	5.98%	-4.299
8.	Operating Expenses	4,665	4,240	4.694	4.970	4,943	-1.44%	10.029
9	Depreciation & Amortization	1,201	1,003	839	800	708	14.12%	19.749
10	Total Operating Taxes	1.096	1.479	1.074	802	303	37.91%	-25,909
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	6,962	6,722	6,607	6,572	5,954	3.99%	3.579
12.	Operating Income	<u>\$1,480</u>	\$2,098	\$2,003	<u>\$1,533</u>	<u>\$73</u> 7	19.04%	<u>-29.46%</u>
13.	Net Plant Investment	<u>\$10,895</u>	<u>\$10.808</u>	\$8,5 <u>54</u>	\$ 8,631	<u>\$7,684</u>	9.12%	0.80%
14.	Oper, Exp. as a % of Total Revenue	55.26%	48.07%	54.52%	61.32%	73.88%	-7.00%	14.96%
15.	Net Pit. investment per \$ of Revenue	\$1.29	\$1.23	\$0.99	\$1.06	\$1.15	2.91%	4.88%
16. 17. 18.	Local Access Lines: Residential Business	9	9	9	9	8 2	2.99% 10.67%	0.00%
19.	Total Local Access Lines	12	12	12	12	<u> 10</u>	<u>4.66%</u>	0.009
20.	Total Access Lines:							
21.	Residential	9	9	9	9	8	2.99%	0.00%
22. 23.	Business Total Access Lines	3 12	3 12	3 12	3 12	2 10	1 <u>0.67%</u> 4.66%	0,009 0,009
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24.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	13.85%	18.58%	19.04%	17.95%	10.06%	8.32%	-25.46%
25 .	Estimated Return on Common Equity	13.85%	18.58%	22.37%	55.31%	12.74%	2.11%	-25.469
26.	Common Equity Ratio	100.00%	100.00%	60.77%	23.07%	25.06%	41.34%	0.00%
?7 .	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	0.00	0.00	5.01	4.98	1.75	N/A	N//

Notes: [1] Rates are set on a total company basis.

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

Authorized Returns: Common Equity 16.50%, Overall 5.92%; Equity Ratio:16.92%; Date of Order: 11-26-7

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

^[4] MEBTEL Communications has elected price regulation. Under that election the information on which this report is based is filed on an annual calendar-year basis for reporting periods beginning after September 30, 1999. The data for MEBTEL Communications included herein is updated annually beginning with the calendar year 2000.

^[5] MEBTEL Communications was acquired by Madison River Communications, Inc. in January 1998.

^[6] N/A denotes that the data is not available or not applicable or that information is, essentially, unmeaningful.

NORTH STATE COMMUNICATIONS SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA

Total Company Utility Operations (Amounts In Thousands)

				Annual Growth Rate				
_ine	•	December	December	Months Ende December	December	December	Four	Current
No.	<u>ltem</u>	2002	<u> 2001</u>	2000	<u> 1999</u>	1998	Year	Year
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1.	Operating Revenue:							
2.	Basic Local Service	\$34,637	\$36,436	\$35,238	\$32,620	\$28,996	4.54%	-4.94
3.	Network Access	34,606	34,155	32,044	30,455	28,971	4.54%	1.32
4.	Long Distance Message	2,053	2,099	2,046	1,933	2,170	-1.38%	-2.19
5.	Miscellaneous	6,966	7,686	8,459	7,766	7,484	-1.78%	-9.37
6.	Uncollectibles	(654)	(1,335)	(909)	(669)	(<u>663</u>)	-0.34%	<u>-51.01</u>
7.	Total Operating Revenue	77,608	79,041	<u>76,878</u>	72,105	66,958	3.76%	-1. 8 1
8.	Operating Expenses	35,529	33,873	30,953	30,060	30,439	3.94%	4.89
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	18,412	16,841	15,259	13,443	14,172	6.76%	9.33
10.	Total Operating Taxes	9,786	<u>12,026</u>	<u>13,298</u>	<u>12,246</u>	9,713	Q.1 <u>9%</u>	-18.63
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	<u>63,727</u>	<u>62,740</u>	59,510	5 <u>5,749</u>	54,324	4.07%	1.57
2.	Other Operating (Income) & Expense	(848)	(207)	(147)	(142)	(17 <u>0</u>)	49.45%	309.66
13.	Operating Income	<u>\$14,729</u>	<u>\$16,508</u>	<u>\$17.515</u>	<u>\$16,498</u>	<u>\$12,804</u>	<u>3.56%</u>	<u>-10.78</u>
4.	Net Plant Investment	\$ 116.191	<u>\$114,833</u>	<u>\$105,645</u>	\$ 94.708	\$87.0 <u>97</u>	7.47%	1.18
5. 6.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue Net Plt. Investment per \$ of Revenue	4 5.78% \$1.50	42.85% \$1.45	40.26% \$1.37	41.69% \$1.31	45.46% \$1.30	0.18% 3.58%	6.83 3.05
7. 8. 9.	Local Access Lines: Residential Business Total Local Access Lines	84 48 132	86 48 134	88 47 135	86 44 130	83 41 124	0.30% 4.02% 1.58%	-2.33 0.00 -1.49
1.	Total Access Lines:							
2.	Residential	84	86	88	86	83	0.30%	-2.33
3.	Business	48	48	48	44	<u>41</u>	4.02%	0.00
4.	Total Access Lines	132	1 <u>34</u>	1 <u>36</u>	<u>130</u>	124	<u>1.58%</u>	:1. 49
 :5.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	13.42%	15.59%	18.30%	18.76%	15.78%	-3.97%	-13.92
6.		13.57%	15.83%	18.60%	19.20%	16.24%	-4.39%	-14.28
7.	Common Equity Ratio	97.82%	97.60%	97.58%	96.37%	95.60%	0.58%	0.23
8.	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	289.99	335.55	396.03	175.77	127.22	22.87%	-13.58

Notes: [1] Rates are set on a total company basis.

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

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

^[4] North State Communications has elected price regulation. Under that election the information on which this report is based is filed on an annual calendar-year basis for reporting periods beginning after Dacember 11, 2002. The data for North State Communications included herein is updated annually beginning with the calendar year 2003.

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

VERIZON SOUTH INC. SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA Merged North Carolina Intrastate Operations (Amounts in Thousands)

	_	12 Months Ended						Annual Growth Rate	
Line		December						Current	
No.		2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	Four Year	Year	
1101		(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	
1.	Operating Revenue:								
2.	Basic Local Service	\$126,401	\$131,605	\$133,595	\$123,017	\$117,728	1.79%	-3. 95 %	
3.	Network Access	48,889	54,555	59,815	54,976	62,117	-5.81%	-10.39%	
4.	Long Distance Message	3,336	4,710	4,758	5,229	6,204	-14.37%	-29.17%	
5.	Miscellaneous	12,118	11,210	6,631	17,215	18,249	-9.73%	8.10%	
6.	Uncollectibles	(7,416)	(4.041)	(3 <u>,436)</u>	(3,206)	(3,743)	<u> 18.64%</u>	83,52%	
7.	Total Operating Revenue	183,328	198,039	201,363	1 <u>97,231</u>	200.555	<u>-2.22%</u>	-7. 43 %	
8.	Operating Expenses	98,428	99,913	111,257	93,150	100,685	-0.57%	-1.49%	
9.	Depreciation & Amortization	53,259	54,413	76,742	72,622	69,858	-6.56%	-2.12%	
10.	Total Operating Taxes	10.156	15.578	4.435	14.374	9.108	2.76%	-34.81%	
11.	Total Expenses, Depr. & Taxes	161.843	169,904	192,434	180,146	179,651	-2.58%	-4.74%	
12.	Other Operating (Income) & Expense	(5)	(538)	(44)	119	60	N/A	-99.07%	
13.	Operating Income	\$ 21.490	\$28.673	\$8,973	\$16.966	\$20,844	0.77%	-25.05%	
14.	Net Plant Investment	\$326.15 <u>2</u>	\$433,500	\$ 326.447	\$331.967	<u>\$340.952</u>	<u>-1.10%</u>	<u>-24.76%</u>	
15. 16.	Oper. Exp. as a % of Total Revenue Net Pit. Investment per \$ of Revenue	53.69% \$1.78	50.45% \$2.19	55.25% \$1.62	47.23% \$1.68	50.20% \$1.70	1.69%	6.42% -18.73%	
17.	Local Access Lines:			<u> </u>					
18.	Residential	251	253	252	244	231	2.10%	-0.79%	
19.	Business	128	124	141	141	132	-0.77%	3.23%	
20.	Total Local Access Lines	379	377	393	385	363	1.08%	0.53%	
21.	Total Access Lines:								
22.	Residential	251	253	252	244	231	2.10%	-0.79%	
23.	Business	333	<u>312</u>	322	<u> 251</u>	214	11.69%	6.73%	
24.	Total Access Lines	<u>584</u>	<u>565</u>	574	<u>495</u>	<u>445</u>	<u>7.03%</u>	3.36%	
25.	Estimated Overall Rate of Return	7.60%	10.02%	2.66%	6.46%	6.74%	3.05%	-24.15%	
26.	Estimated Return on Common Equity	7.39%	13.54%	-1,99%	4.36%	4.50%	13.20%	-45.42%	
27.	Common Equity Ratio	44.56%	50.21%	52.45%	55.81%	60.56%		-11.25%	
28.	Estimated Pre-tax Interest Coverage Ratio (Times)	2.13	4.23	0.26	2.23	1.81	4.15%	-49.65%	

Notes: [1] North Carolina intrastate revenue, i.e., jurisdictional revenue, equates to approximately 67% of total North Carolina revenue, i.e., intrastate and interstate revenue.

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

^[3] Verizon South Inc., formerly known as GTE South Incorporated, has elected price regulation. Under that election the information on which this report is based is filed on an annual calendar-year basis for reporting periods beginning after June 30, 1996. The data for Verizon South Inc. included herein is updated annually beginning with the calendar year 1996.

^[4] On June 30, 2000, by amendment of its articles of incorporation, the name of GTE South Incorporated was changed to Verizon South Inc. as a result of the merger between GTE Corporation and Bell Atlantic Corporation, effective August 1, 2000.

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

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