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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Kimberley A. Campbell Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 4325 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

RE: Joint Motion for Witnesses to be Excused from Evidentiary Hearing Docket No. E-2, Sub 1252

Dear Ms. Campbell:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission is the Joint Motion of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission, and NC Justice Center/NC Housing Coalition/Southern Alliance for Clean Energy for Witnesses to be Excused from Appearance at Evidentiary Hearing in the referenced matter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. E-2, SUB 1252

In the Matter of:)	
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Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC)	JOINT MOTION FOR ALL
for Approval of Demand-Side Management)	WITNESSES TO BE EXCUSED
and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider)	FROM APPEARANCE AT
Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. 62-133.9 and)	EVIDENTIARY HEARING
Commission Rule R8-69)	
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NOW COME Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" or the "Company"), the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Public Staff"), and NC Justice Center/NC Housing Coalition/Southern Alliance for Clean Energy (collectively, the "Movants") and respectfully request that the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Commission") issue an order excusing the appearance of all witnesses at the September 15, 2020 Evidentiary Hearing and allowing the introduction of the prefiled testimony and exhibits of the excused witnesses into the record in this matter. In support of this motion, the Movants show as follows:

- 1. On June 9, 2020, DEP pre-filed direct testimony and exhibits of Shannon R. Listebarger and Robert P. Evans in support of the Company's application in this docket.
- 2. On August 17, 2020, DEP filed the supplemental testimony and Exhibit D of witness Evans.
- 3. On August 26, 2020, the Public Staff filed the testimony and exhibits of Michael C. Maness, the testimony and exhibits of John R. Hinton, and the testimony of David M. Williamson. The Public Staff subsequently filed a letter of correction to witness Hinton's testimony on August 28, 2020.

- 4. On August 26, 2020, the NC Justice Center/NC Housing Coalition/Southern Alliance for Clean Energy filed the testimony and exhibits of Forest Bradley-Wright.
- 5. On September 4, 2020, DEP filed the rebuttal testimony of Timothy J. Duff and witness Evans.
- 6. On behalf of the Movants, counsel for DEP has consulted with counsel for all parties to this docket, including the Public Staff, Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates II, the Carolina Utility Customers Association, Inc., the North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association, and NC Justice Center/NC Housing Coalition/Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, and all parties agree to waive cross-examination of Company witnesses Listebarger, Evans and Duff, Public Staff witnesses Maness, Williamson and Hinton, and NC Justice Center/NC Housing Coalition/Southern Alliance for Clean Energy witness Bradley-Wright, and they offered no objection to the introduction of the testimony and exhibits of those excused witnesses into the record.
- 7. The Public Staff and NC Justice Center/NC Housing Coalition/Southern Alliance for Clean Energy have authorized the undersigned to file this Joint Motion on their behalf.

WHEREFORE, DEP, the Public Staff, and NC Justice Center/NC Housing Coalition/Southern Alliance for Clean Energy respectfully request that all witnesses be excused from appearing at the September 15, 2020 hearing in this docket and that the pre-filed testimony and exhibits of those witnesses be received into evidence and made part of the record in this matter.

Respectfully submitted, this 10th day of September, 2020.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the Joint Motion of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, the Public Staff, and NC Justice Center/NC Housing Coalition/Southern Alliance for Clean Energy for Witnesses to be Excused from Appearance at Evidentiary Hearing, in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1252, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid to the parties of record.

This the 10th day of September, 2020.

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