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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

M. Lynn Jarvis, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 4325 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

RE: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC's

Update Regarding Informal Stakeholder Review of Competitive

Procurement of Renewable Energy Draft Program Guidelines

Docket No. E-100, Sub 150

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

On behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC") and Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" and, together with DEC, "the Companies"), I am writing to update the North Carolina Utilities Commission regarding the Companies' plans to provide interested parties with an informal pre-filing opportunity for review and comment on the Companies' draft competitive procurement of renewable energy ("CPRE") program guidelines (the "CPRE Guidelines").

As the Commission is aware, Session Law 2017-192 requires the Companies to jointly or individually file a CPRE program(s) with the Commission on or before November 27, 2017. In this proceeding, the Companies have identified CPRE Guidelines as a central component of this November 27 filing, and further recognized that providing market participants and other stakeholders with an informal opportunity to review and provide pre-filing comments on the Companies' draft CPRE Guidelines may make the Commission's formal CPRE program review less complex and more efficient. The Companies' September 8, 2017 reply comments presented a proposed schedule for facilitating this informal pre-filing comment opportunity, which the Companies have determined needs to be modified slightly to accommodate logistical and scheduling needs. Accordingly, the Companies would like to update the proposed schedule in the Companies' September 8, 2017 filing to show that they are planning to provide this informal pre-filing comment opportunity on the following schedule:

CPRE Program Schedule	
ACTIVITY	DATE
Publish Draft CPRE Program Guidelines on Companies' Website at https://cdp-prod-prev.duke-energy.com/business/products/ renewables/request-for-proposal	November 6, 2017
Review Draft CPRE Program Guidelines with Public Staff and Potential Market Participants	November 9, 2017
Informal Comment Period on Draft CPRE Program Guidelines Closes	November 15, 2017
CPRE Program Filed with the Commission	November 27, 2017
Formal Comment Period for Draft CPRE Program Guidelines	TBD by Commission
Commission Issues Order in CPRE Program	On or before February 26, 2018

Additional details regarding the time and location for the November 9, 2017 CPRE Guidelines review meeting, as well as how to submit informal comments on the draft CPRE Guidelines, will be included in the draft CPRE Guidelines document posted to the website.

This letter is being filed for the Commission's information, and the Companies are not requesting that the Commission take any action through this letter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Kendrick C. Fentress

cc: Parties of Record

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Update Regarding Informal Stakeholder Review of Competitive Procurement of Renewable Energy Draft Program Guidelines in Docket No. E-100, Sub 150 has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery, or by depositing a copy in the United States Mail, 1st Class Postage Prepaid, properly addressed to parties of record.

This the 3rd day of November, 2017.

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