



February 1, 2022

Ms. Shonta Dunston
Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
430 North Salisbury Street
Raleigh, NC 27603

Re: Docket No. E-100, Sub 179
Carbon Plan of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC,
Pursuant to Session Law 2021-165
NCSEA's Letter re: First Stakeholder Meeting

Dear Ms. Dunston,

The North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association ("NCSEA") submits this letter to the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Commission") pursuant to the *Order Requiring Updates on Stakeholder Meetings* issued by the Commission on January 21, 2022. NCSEA identifies three issues regarding the sufficiency of the Carbon Plan stakeholder process that it wishes to bring to the Commission's attention and believes this letter is the most expeditious way to present these issues. Therefore, NCSEA submits this letter in lieu of providing a presentation to the Commission at the Commission's February 7, 2022 Staff Conference. Counsel for NCSEA will attend the Staff Conference and be available to answer Commission questions.

First, NCSEA encourages Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (collectively, "Duke") to provide agendas for stakeholder meetings further in advance than it did for the first stakeholder meeting, when the agenda was received by stakeholders the day before the stakeholder meeting. NCSEA further encourages Duke to make presentations available to stakeholders before the stakeholder meeting. Presentations were not made available to stakeholders until the day after the first stakeholder meeting. Advance notice of agendas and presentations are important so that stakeholders can arrange to have appropriate staff, members, volunteers, or consultants available to attend appropriate portions of the stakeholder meetings.

Second, NCSEA encourages Duke to make clear ahead of time to stakeholders how engagement will occur during the stakeholder meetings. For example, will there be working groups, break-out groups, or question and answer sessions?

Finally, NCSEA encourages Duke to clarify how stakeholder feedback will be collected and incorporated into future stakeholder meetings and/or its Carbon Plan filing. For



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example, will the unanswered questions asked in the WebEx chat during the first stakeholder meeting be answered at a subsequent stakeholder meeting?

As noted above, NCSEA is submitting this letter in lieu of presenting to the Commission at its February 7, 2022 Staff Conference. NCSEA thanks the Commission for its consideration of these matters and looks forward to answering any questions that the Commission might have at the February 7, 2022 Staff Conference.

Respectfully yours,

/s/ Peter H. Ledford

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This the 1st day of February 2022.

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