

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. G-5, SUB 565

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Public Service Company of)	ORDER DENYING IN PART
North Carolina, Inc., for a General Increase)	MOTION TO EXCUSE WITNESSES
in Its Rates and Charges)	

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On March 31, 2016, Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc., d/b/a PSNC Energy (PSNC) filed an application in the above-captioned docket for an increase in its base rates.

On August 24, 2016, PSNC and the Public Staff (collectively, Movants) filed a motion requesting that the following witnesses be excused from attending the expert witness hearing and that their testimony and exhibits be admitted into evidence: PSNC's witnesses D. Russell Harris, James A. Spaulding, Sharon S. Boone, Rose M. Jackson and John J. Spanos and Public Staff witness Jan Larson. Movants state that all parties have agreed to waive cross-examination of the Movants' witnesses and have no objection to the introduction of the witnesses' testimony and exhibits into evidence.

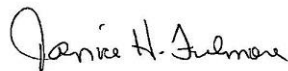
Based on the record, the Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to grant the Movants' motion to excuse PSNC witnesses D. Russell Harris, James A. Spaulding and John J. Spanos from attending the expert witness hearing and to accept their testimony and exhibits into evidence; however, the motion is denied as to PSNC witnesses Sharon S. Boone and Rose M. Jackson and Public Staff witness Jan Larsen and their attendance is required at the hearing.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 29th day of August, 2016.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk