

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. E-35, SUB 51

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of  
Application of Western Carolina University ) ORDER ESTABLISHING A  
for an Adjustment of Rates and Charges for ) GENERAL RATE CASE,  
Electric Service in North Carolina ) SUSPENDING RATES

BY THE COMMISSION: On March 9, 2020, Western Carolina University (WCU) filed an application with the Commission pursuant to G.S. 62-133, 62-134, and 116-35, seeking authority to increase its rates for electric service in its service area in Jackson County, North Carolina. WCU operates an off-campus electric distribution system that serves approximately 3,170 residential customers and 230 commercial customers. The present rates have been in effect since 2016, with annual purchased power adjustments. The Commission is of the opinion that the application constitutes a general rate case and that the proposed new rates should be suspended pending investigation.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That this proceeding is declared a general rate case pursuant to G.S. 62-137.
2. That the proposed new rates are suspended for up to 270 days pursuant to G.S. 62-134.
3. That petitions to intervene in this proceeding shall be filed pursuant to Commission Rules R1-5 and R1-19 not later than **[10 days before filing of Public Staff testimony]**.
4. That direct testimony and exhibits of intervenors and the Public Staff shall be filed on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, and that the rebuttal testimony and exhibits of the Company, if any, shall be filed on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk