## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 743

## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Application of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc., for an Adjustment of Rates, ) EXTENSION OF TIME TO Charges, and Tariffs Applicable to Service ) FILE NOTICE OF APPEAL in North Carolina, Continuation of its IMR Mechanism, Adoption of an EDIT Rider, and Other Relief

) ORDER GRANTING AN AND EXCEPTIONS

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On November 25, 2019, the North Carolina Attorney General's Office (AGO) filed a Motion for Extension of Time to File Notice of Appeal and Exceptions (Motion) in the above-captioned proceeding. In the motion, the AGO informs the Commission, among other things, that on October 31, 2019, the Commission issued an Order Approving Stipulation, Granting Partial Rate Increase, Line 434 Revenue Rider, EDIT Riders, Provisional Revenues Rider, and Requiring Customer Notice. Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-90(a), the AGO may file notice of appeal and exceptions to the Commission's October 31, 2019 Order within 30 days of its issuance, "or within such time thereafter as may be fixed by the Commission, not to exceed 30 additional days." According to the AGO, the current deadline for filing a notice of appeal is thirty days after the filing of the Order, which is Saturday, November 30, 2019. Because of the state holidays, the last day before the deadline when the Commission's filing system is available is Wednesday, November 27, 2019. Due to the short timeframe to appeal and the complexity of the issues, combined with the AGO's participation in the current rate cases brought by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, and Duke Energy Progress, LLC, the AGO seeks an extension of time to prepare a Notice of Appeal and therefore requests an additional 30 days from the deadline so that all parties have adequate time to file notice of appeal and exceptions. The AGO further represents that all parties of record have been notified of the motion and do not object to it.

The Presiding Commissioner has reviewed the record, including the AGO's motion, and finds that good cause exists to grant the extension of time in this matter.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That the parties are granted an additional 30 days from the deadline or until December 30, 2019, to file notice of appeal and exceptions in this proceeding; and

2. That this Order shall be served on all parties of record by electronic mail, delivery confirmation requested.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 27<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk