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Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Martha Lynn Jarvis, Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
430 North Salisbury Street
Raleigh, NC 27603-5918

RE: Sierra Club's Response to Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Motion for Witnesses to be Excused from Evidentiary Hearing (Docket No. E-7, Sub 1190)

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

On behalf of the Sierra Club, this letter responds to that portion of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's ("DEC" or "the Company") Motion for Witnesses to be Excused, filed on June 3, 2019, that requests that its witness Eric S. Grant be excused from testifying at the evidentiary hearing in this matter on June 11, 2019. The Sierra Club and the Company have arrived at an arrangement that will permit the Sierra Club to agree to waive cross-examination of Mr. Grant and not object to his being excused.

As correctly stated in the Company's motion, the Sierra Club has agreed to waive cross-examination of all other witnesses in the case and has no objection to those witnesses being excused and their testimony and exhibits, or their affidavits, being introduced into the record. In its motion, however, the Company acknowledged that the Sierra Club had indicated that it was not prepared to waive cross examination of Mr. Grant until it had an opportunity to review the Company's responses to the Sierra Club's informal data requests, which were produced on Monday. I have now completed that review, and counsel for the Company has indicated that DEC will not object to certain responses to data requests being moved into evidence as exhibits at the hearing. With that agreement, the Sierra Club does not object to the Company's motion to excuse Mr. Grant and to have his testimony and exhibits introduced into the record.

By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record. Thank you for your consideration of this matter, and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gudrun Thompson

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cc: Parties of Record