

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**

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| ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER | <input type="checkbox"/> | DATE | <u>September 16, 2020</u> |
| MOTOR CARRIER MATTER | <input type="checkbox"/> | DOCKET NO. | <u>2019-224-E</u> |
| UTILITIES MATTER | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | ORDER NO. | <u>2020-616</u> |

THIS DIRECTIVE SHALL SERVE AS THE COMMISSION'S ORDER ON THIS ISSUE.

Order Granting Request for Confidential Treatment

SUBJECT:

DOCKET NO. 2019-224-E - South Carolina Energy Freedom Act (House Bill 3659) Proceeding Related to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-37-40 and Integrated Resource Plans for Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Request for Confidential Treatment of Certain Portions of Its 2020 Integrated Resource Plan.

COMMISSION ACTION:

I move that we grant the request of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Confidential Treatment of certain portions of its 2020 Integrated Resource Plan.

The Company maintains that Attachments I and III to the IRP contain information that is commercially sensitive and proprietary and should be protected from public disclosure. The projected avoided energy costs reflect the Company's costs to procure additional energy and/or capacity. The wholesale electricity market is extremely competitive, and in order for the Company to obtain the most cost-effective energy and capacity to meet the needs of its customers, it must protect from public disclosure its projected and actual cost to procure such energy, capacity or both. If this commercially sensitive business and technical information were to be publicly disclosed, it would allow competitors, vendors and other market participants to gain an undue advantage, which may ultimately result in harm to the customers.

It should be noted that in Duke Energy Carolina's original filing, Current Avoided Energy and Capacity Costs were redacted from Table 2 of Attachment I in error. Duke Energy Carolinas has filed a corrected version in which Current Avoided Energy and Capacity Cost are now unredacted in Table 2 of Attachment I, save the Capacity Cost-Installed CT Cost.

PRESIDING: Williams SESSION: Regular TIME: 2:00 p.m.

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| BELSER | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | | Present in Hearing Room |
| ERVIN | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | | Voting via Skype |
| HAMILTON | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>Absent</u> | Sick Leave |
| HOWARD | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | | Voting via Skype |

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| RANDALL | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| WHITFIELD | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| WILLIAMS | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Present in Commission Office, Voting via Skype

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RECORDED BY: J. Schmieding

