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The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk/Administrator
The Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia SC 29210

Re: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC to Establish a Distributed Energy Resource Program - Docket Number: 2015-55-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Enclosed for filing please find the Joint Petition of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff, South Carolina Coastal Conservation League, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, SunRun, on behalf of the Alliance for Solar Choice, and the South Carolina Solar Business Alliance ("Petitioners") to Amend Distributed Energy Resource Program to Extend Net Metering Program and Request For Expedited Relief. Please note that the Petitioners are requesting expedited review of this Joint Petition. Additionally, the following parties to this proceeding—Southern Current LLC, Sierra Club, Wal-Mart Stores East, LP and Sam's East, Incorporated and the South Carolina Energy Users Committee—have indicated that they do not oppose the enclosed petition. All of the parties to Docket No. 2015-55-E are either a co-petitioner or not opposed to this request.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require any further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Heather Shirley Smith".

Heather Shirley Smith

Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record in this Docket
Parties of Record in Commission Docket No. 2014-246-E