IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA No. 350A17

Filed 11 May 2018

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA ex rel. UTILITIES COMMISSION; PUBLIC STAFF – NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION; DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC; DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS, LLC; VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY d/b/a Dominion North Carolina Power

v.

NORTH CAROLINA WASTE AWARENESS AND REDUCTION NETWORK

Appeal pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 7A-30(2) from the decision of a divided panel of the Court of Appeals, ____ N.C. App. ____, 805 S.E.2d 712 (2017), affirming an order of the North Carolina Utilities Commission entered on 15 April 2016 in Docket No. SP-100, Sub 31. Heard in the Supreme Court on 17 April 2018.

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PER CURIAM.

AFFIRMED.