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EXHIBIT A

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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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

Re: Request of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. to Increase Its Rate Rider Related to Pension Costs from $0.00019 to $0.00049 Per Kilowatt-Hour (**This Filing Includes a Request for an Increase to the Rider to Retail Rates - Pension Cost Component**)
Docket No: 2026-49-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.'s ("DESC" or "the Company") request to increase its rate rider related to pension costs ("Request") filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on February 13, 2026, in the above-referenced docket, as amended by the Company's letter on April 10, 2026.

Overview of Company's Request

Commission Order No. 2012-951 (the "Order") approved the Company's mechanism to recover its pension costs related to retail electric operations ("Pension Rider"). The Pension Rider is subject to an annual true-up depending on conditions in financial markets and other factors. Since its creation in 2012, the Company has periodically petitioned the Commission to adjust the Pension Rider to ensure that it is collecting sufficient funds from its ratepayers to maintain the proper balance in the fund.[1]

On February 13, 2026, the Company filed a letter with the Commission seeking approval to increase its Pension Rider from $0.00019 to $0.00049 per kilowatt hour ("kWh") for bills rendered on and after the first billing cycle of May 2026. Subsequently on April 10, 2026, the Company filed a letter seeking to amend the requested increase citing lower forecasted pension

[1] Docket Nos. 2014-88-E, 2016-103-E, 2017-56-E, 2020-50-E, 2021-46-E, 2022-74-E, 2023-59-E, 2024-62-E, and 2025-60-E.

expenses and an updated actual recovery balance. The Company now seeks to increase its Pension Rider from \$0.00019 to \$0.00024 per kWh, maintaining that the increase be effective for bills rendered on and after the first billing cycle of May 2026. Since the last adjustment to the Company's Pension Rider in Docket No. 2025-60-E, the projected balance of pension costs has increased by approximately \$2.8 million through April 2026. The Company projects there will be an under-collection of pension costs of roughly \$1.1 million as of April 2027, if the currently approved Pension Rider is not increased.

DESC requests that the Commission approve, without notice or hearing, the updated Pension Rider. DESC states that publication of notice is not necessary under either S.C. Code Ann. § 58-27-870(F) or Commission Order No. 2012-951.

ORS Recommendation

ORS reviewed the Company's Request, as amended, and the most recent actuarial report ("the Report"). The current actuarial estimates reflect an increase in pension costs, resulting in the requested increase to the Company's Pension Rider. Based on ORS's review, DESC's Request, as amended, is in accordance with the Order. ORS does not object to the Company's amended Request to increase the Pension Rider from \$0.00019 to \$0.00024 per kWh.

Additionally, ORS acknowledges that the Report relies on interest rates as of December 31, 2025, which would not incorporate any decisions of the Federal Reserve to adjust interest rates in 2026 or early 2027. Any such adjustments may result in additional changes to the balance of Pension Rider collections from customers. To monitor the impacts of economic and market conditions on the Pension Rider, the Commission directed the Company to file quarterly updates through April 2026 in Order No. 2025-245. ORS recommends that the Company continue filing these quarterly updates through April 2027 and alert the Commission and ORS of any potential intra-year adjustments necessary to balance Pension Rider collections from customers.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

s/ Jasmine C. Gunning

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