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VIA E-MAIL & FIRST CLASS MAIL

V. Claire Allen, Deputy Clerk
South Carolina Court of Appeals
P.O. Box 11629
Columbia, SC 29211

**Re: Joint Application of Duke Energy Carolinas
Appellate Case No. 2014-001514**

Dear Ms. Allen:

I am counsel of record for the appellants in the above-captioned matter. I understand that oral argument has been posted on the court's website for Thursday, January 7, 2016 at 11:20 a.m. Counsel earlier received a mailed letter, dated November 24, 2015, from the Court of Appeals setting the argument date for Thursday, January 14, 2016 at 10:40 a.m.

I am writing to inform the Court that I am currently on parental leave and will be until January 8, 2016. I am, however, still clear the week of January 14. If there is any way to go forward on January 14, I would be most grateful. If there is anything I can do to assist in finalizing a schedule, please let me know.

Thank you kindly for your consideration.

Very truly yours,



J. Blanding Holman IV

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cc: All Counsel of Record