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SANTEE COOPER
PURPA PUBLIC HEARING

In the Matter of the Consideration of the Adoption
of Certain Regulatory Standards Pursuant to Section
111 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act
of 1978, as Amended by the Infrastructure and
Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (IIJA)

DATE: MAY 8, 2023
TIME: 4:00 p.m.
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PANELISTS:

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ON BEHALF OF SANTEE COOPER STAFF:

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1 (Staff Exhibit Nos. 1 through 9
2 premarked.)

3 PRESIDING OFFICER WILLIAMS: I will call
4 this hearing to order. This hearing is required by
5 the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978
6 also known as PURPA and the amendments thereto
7 under the Infrastructure and Investment and Jobs
8 Act of 2021 also known as the IIJA.

9 PURPA became law in 1978 as part of the
10 National Energy Act, and it was designed to
11 conserve energy, optimize efficient use of
12 facilities and resources by utilities, and to
13 insure equitable rates to electric customers. On
14 occasion new PURPA standards are proposed by
15 Congress for consideration and possible adoption.
16 Utilities like Santee Cooper must consider these
17 standards.

18 The IIJA added new standards involving
19 electric vehicle charging programs, demand response
20 practices, and rate recovery of demand response
21 programs. Santee Cooper is considering these new
22 PURPA standards, and we requested public
23 participation as part of that process. So to
24 encourage public participation we're holding this
25 public hearing, presenting witnesses to discuss the

1 standards, allowing an opportunity for public
2 comment during the hearing, and requesting that
3 interested parties file written comments.

4 This hearing will be held over two days in
5 two locations, today, and then after today the
6 hearing will carry forward to tomorrow, May 9,
7 2023, beginning at 11:00 a.m. at Santee Cooper's
8 Moncks Corner campus in the McCall auditorium.

9 I'll introduce the hearing panel for this
10 hearing as we were appointed by Santee Cooper's
11 president and chief executive officer, Jimmy
12 Staton, and the panel consists of Vicky Budreau to
13 my left, Santee Cooper's chief customer officer;
14 Bryan Lewis to my right, Santee Cooper's director
15 of customer service retail; and myself, Pamela
16 Williams, chief public affairs officer and general
17 counsel.

18 We are here to conduct the hearings and
19 create the record and will present a report and
20 recommendations to Santee Cooper's board of
21 directors, who will make the ultimate decision
22 about adopting the standards.

23 We gave public notice of the hearing
24 through publication in newspapers and posting on
25 Santee Cooper's website. The notice described in

1 detail the standards to be considered that will be
2 discussed today. These notices also informed the
3 public that if anyone intended to make comments at
4 the hearing, they were to express interest in doing
5 so by May 1, 2023. I have not received any request
6 or notice that anyone would be here other than the
7 witnesses to be presented by Santee Cooper.

8 With that said, interested parties will
9 have until June 8, 2023, to submit written
10 comments. Megan Driggers, in-house counsel for
11 Santee Cooper, is going to present the witnesses
12 and exhibits.

13 MS. DRIGGERS: Thank you very much.
14 Again, I'm Megan Driggers, in-house counsel at
15 Santee Cooper, and I represent Santee Cooper staff
16 for purposes of this proceeding.

17 Santee Cooper's staff will be presenting
18 three witnesses and nine exhibits. The three
19 witnesses will be sponsoring substantive, direct,
20 prefiled testimony addressing the proposed
21 standards which are the subject of this proceeding.

22 Steven Roys' testimony covers electric
23 vehicle programs of Santee Cooper, Ashley
24 Millwood's testimony addresses Santee Cooper's
25 demand response program, and Mike Smith's testimony

1 gives a summary of Santee Cooper's cost recovery
2 and rate mechanisms related to demand response.

3 The testimony of the three witnesses was
4 made available to the public on March 31, 2023, via
5 Santee Cooper's PURPA website at
6 www.santeecooper.com/PURPA. The testimony will
7 remain on that website to facilitate additional
8 public comment.

9 At this time I'm going to request the
10 panel take notice of two exhibits that serve as the
11 predicate for this proceeding. A document that the
12 court reporter has premarked Exhibit S-1, this is
13 the August 22, 2022, board resolution adopted by
14 Santee Cooper's board of directors titled
15 Consideration of Proposed Federal Regulatory
16 Standards Added to PURPA by the Infrastructure and
17 Jobs Act of 2021.

18 The second document that I ask the panel
19 to take notice of has been premarked Exhibit S-2.
20 This is an interoffice communication from Santee
21 Cooper president and CEO Jimmy Staton appointing
22 the panel for the 2023 PURPA hearings.

23 I also ask the panel to take notice of
24 three additional documents, S-3, S-4, and S-5.
25 These documents are affidavits of publication of

1 hearing notices. Santee Cooper caused to be
2 published -- in setting the basis caused to be
3 published in papers of general circulation setting
4 the basis of the hearing, time, location, and means
5 of participation. These were published in The Post
6 and Courier, The Georgetown Times, and the Sun News
7 Myrtle Beach. I will introduce them in turn.

8 Document S-3 is a notarized affidavit from
9 the advertising clerk of The Post and Courier
10 stating the notice of PURPA hearing was published
11 in their paper in their print and web version on
12 May 11, 2023. Notice and tear sheet were included.

13 The document premarked as 4 is the
14 affidavit of publication from The Georgetown Times
15 advertising department confirming the notice of
16 hearing was published for Santee Cooper on March
17 22, 2023, in both their print and on-line versions.
18 Notice and tear sheet were included.

19 To round out the publication documents the
20 document premarked Exhibit S-5 is the notarized
21 affidavit of publication from The Sun News, a
22 Myrtle Beach area newspaper. It was published in
23 The Sun News March 13, 2023, publication, and the
24 affidavit includes a tear sheet.

25 Finally before I introduce witnesses I

1 would ask the panel to take notice of S-6. This
2 document is a screen shot of Santee Cooper's PURPA
3 website. This is available to the public at
4 santeecooper.com/PURPA. It can be navigated to
5 from the main page or directly using that address.
6 This site went live on March 14, 2023. The website
7 gives a background of the standards, information
8 regarding dates and times of the hearing, deadlines
9 for in-person participation requests, and deadlines
10 and the process for submitting written comments.
11 As I noted, prefiled testimony was included on this
12 website, and this web page will remain active and
13 updated. I'll bring it up to you all here.

14 PRESIDING OFFICER WILLIAMS: Thank you,
15 Ms. Driggers.

16 MS. DRIGGERS: At this time on behalf of
17 the staff I would like to call our first witness,
18 Steven Roys.

19 STEVEN ROYS,
20 having been first duly sworn, was examined and
21 testified as follows:

22 EXAMINATION

23 BY MS. DRIGGERS:

24 Q. Can you state your full name for the
25 record and spell it, please.

1 A. Steven Roys, S T E V E N, R O Y S.

2 Q. Thank you. I'm going to show you a
3 five-page document. It's titled Direct Testimony
4 of Steven Roys on Behalf of South Carolina Public
5 Service Authority. It has been premarked as Staff
6 Exhibit 7.

7 Do you recognize this document?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Was this document prepared by you or under
10 your supervision for purposes of this hearing?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. If I were to ask you the same questions
13 that are within that document today, would your
14 answers be the same?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Do you have any changes you would like to
17 make to your prepared testimony?

18 A. No.

19 MS. DRIGGERS: Then I have no further
20 questions of this witness and offer the witness for
21 examination.

22 PRESIDING OFFICER WILLIAMS: Any questions
23 from the panel?

24 MR. LEWIS: No.

25 MS. BUDREAU: No.

1 PRESIDING OFFICER WILLIAMS: Thank you.
2 You may step down.

3 (Witness excused.)

4 MS. DRIGGERS: At this time on behalf of
5 the staff I call Ashley Millwood.

6 ASHLEY MILLWOOD,
7 having been first duly sworn, was examined and
8 testified as follows:

9 EXAMINATION

10 BY MS. DRIGGERS:

11 Q. Will you please state your first name and
12 last name for the record, please.

13 A. It's Ashley Millwood. It's spelled A S H
14 L E Y, M I L L W O O D.

15 Q. What is your position with Santee Cooper?

16 A. I'm a Financial Analyst III and also the
17 project manager for demand response.

18 Q. I am going to show you a seven-page
19 document titled Direct Testimony of Ashley Millwood
20 on Behalf of Santee Cooper Public Service Authority
21 that has been premarked as Staff Exhibit 8.

22 Do you recognize this document?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Was this document prepared by you or under
25 your supervision for purposes of this hearing?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. If I ask you the same questions today that
3 are contained in that document, would your answers
4 be the same as you set forth?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Any changes you would like to make to this
7 direct testimony?

8 A. No.

9 MS. DRIGGERS: Thank you. I have no
10 further questions of this witness and offer her for
11 examination.

12 MR. LEWIS: I have no questions.

13 MS. BUDREAU: No questions.

14 PRESIDING OFFICER WILLIAMS: You may step
15 down.

16 (Witness excused.)

17 MS. DRIGGERS: At this time on behalf of
18 the staff I call Mike Smith.

19 MICHAEL SMITH,
20 having been first duly sworn, was examined and
21 testified as follows:

22 EXAMINATION

23 BY MS. DRIGGERS:

24 Q. Would you please state your name for the
25 record and spell it, please.

1 A. Michael Smith, M I C H A E L, S M I T H.

2 Q. What is your position with Santee Cooper?

3 A. I'm the director of billing and pricing.

4 Q. I'm going to show you a four-page document
5 titled Direct Testimony of Michael Smith on Behalf
6 of the South Carolina Public Service Authority that
7 has been premarked Staff Exhibit S-9.

8 Do you recognize this document?

9 A. I do.

10 Q. Was this document prepared by you or under
11 your supervision for purposes of this hearing?

12 A. It was.

13 Q. If I were to ask you today the questions
14 contained in that document, would the answers be
15 the same?

16 A. They would.

17 Q. Any changes you would like to make to the
18 testimony?

19 A. No.

20 MS. DRIGGERS: I offer this witness for
21 examination.

22 MR. LEWIS: No questions.

23 MS. BUDREAU: No questions.

24 PRESIDING OFFICER WILLIAMS: Thank you.

25 You may step down.

1 (Witness excused.)

2 MS. DRIGGERS: I'll ask at this time for
3 the witnesses to be excused if they so choose.

4 PRESIDING OFFICER WILLIAMS: You may be
5 excused if you so choose.

6 MS. DRIGGERS: Santee Cooper has no
7 further witnesses. Before resting I would like to
8 move for admission of staff exhibits premarked S-1
9 to S-9 inclusive.

10 PRESIDING OFFICER WILLIAMS: Approved.

11 MS. DRIGGERS: I have nothing additional,
12 and on behalf of the staff of Santee Cooper we rest
13 at this time.

14 PRESIDING OFFICER WILLIAMS: Thank you.
15 Since there is no one else here to present evidence
16 or testimony, we will conclude today's hearing and
17 will reconvene tomorrow, May 9, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.
18 in the McCall auditorium in Moncks Corner, South
19 Carolina. Thank you all.

20 (The hearing concluded at 4:15 p.m.)

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1 CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
2 COUNTY OF CHARLESTON

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4 I, Carol T. Lucic, Registered Professional
Reporter and Notary Public for the State of South
5 Carolina at Large, do hereby certify that the
foregoing hearing was taken at the time and
6 location therein stated; that the testimony of the
witnesses and all objections made at the time of
7 the hearing were recorded stenographically by me
and were thereafter transcribed by computer-aided
8 transcription; that the foregoing is a full,
complete, and true record of the hearing.

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10 I further certify that I am neither
related to nor counsel for any party to the cause
11 pending or interested in the events thereof.

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13 Witness my hand, I have hereunto affixed
my official seal on May 18, 2023, at Charleston,
Charleston County, South Carolina.

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15 Carol T. Lucic
NCRA MERIT REPORTER
16 REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL REPORTER

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18 My Commission expires: November 27, 2027

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August 22, 2022

CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED FEDERAL REGULATORY
STANDARDS ADDED TO PURPA BY THE INFRASTRUCTURE
INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT OF 2021

Adopted ✓

Rejected

Postponed

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, On November 15, 2021, President Biden signed into law the Infrastructure Investment and Job Act of 2021 ("IIJA"); and

WHEREAS, Section 40104(a)(1) of the IIJA amended the Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act of 1978 (PURPA) to add a new Section 111(d)(20), a proposed regulatory standard on demand-response practices; and

WHEREAS, Section 40431(a) of the IIJA amended PURPA to add a new Section 111(d)(21), a proposed regulatory standard on electric vehicle charging programs; and

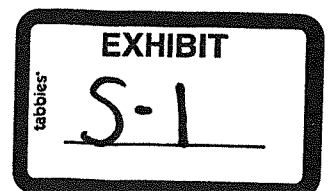
WHEREAS, Under Section 112(b) of PURPA, as amended by Sections 40104(a)(2) and 40431(b)(1) of IIJA, each state regulatory authority and each "nonregulated electric utility" has one year from the date of enactment of the IIJA (November 15, 2022) to commence consideration of these two proposed regulatory standards and two years from the date of enactment of the IIJA (November 15, 2023) to make a determination with respect to these standards; and

WHEREAS, The Authority is a "nonregulated electric utility" as defined in PURPA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Authority is hereby directed to commence consideration of the two regulatory standards added by Sections 111(d)(20), and 111(d)(21) of PURPA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in complying with the aforementioned sections of PURPA, the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Authority is authorized and directed to appoint a panel to conduct the public hearing required by PURPA for consideration of these standards, and that the following administrative procedure be adhered to:

- a. The hearing shall be conducted in a county in which the Authority has direct service customers;
- b. Public notice of this hearing shall be given by paid advertising in newspapers of general circulation in the counties of Berkeley, Georgetown and Horry;



- c. A record of such hearing shall be prepared, which record shall consist of a verbatim transcript of the testimony given at such hearing and all documentary evidence received thereat;
- d. A copy of the record of each such hearing shall be furnished to each member of the Board, through the President and Chief Executive Officer, together with a summary thereof prepared by the panel which conducted such a hearing and the recommendations of such panel; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the President and Chief Executive Officer is authorized and directed to prescribe such additional procedural rules and guidelines as will ensure that the provisions of PURPA are fully complied with and that the Board will receive all information deemed necessary or desirable to enable the Board to make an informed determination whether it is appropriate to adopt each such standard.

**If approved by the Committee, this resolution will be referred to the full Board for approval.
This resolution was referred to and approved by the full Board.*

INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Date: February 10, 2023

To: Pamela J. Williams, Chief Public Affairs Officer and General Counsel
Vicky Budreau, Chief Customer Officer
Bryan Lewis, Director Customer Service Retail

From: Jimmy Staton, President and Chief Executive Officer *JS*

Subject: Public Hearings under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, as amended by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021

On August 22, 2022, the Board of Directors adopted a resolution requiring that public hearings be held concerning two new proposed standards added under Section 111(d) of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA). The standards were added to PURPA by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021. Hearings will be scheduled for the summer of 2023.

The following employees are appointed to a panel to conduct these public hearings:

- Pamela Williams, Presiding Officer
- Vicky Budreau
- Bryan Lewis

A copy of the August 22, 2022 Board Resolution and this appointment memorandum will be made part of the record of the hearings.

JS: srp



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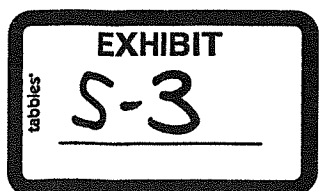
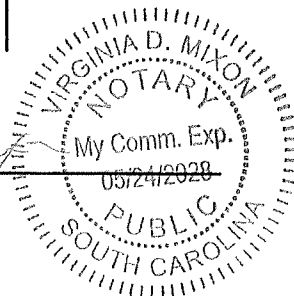
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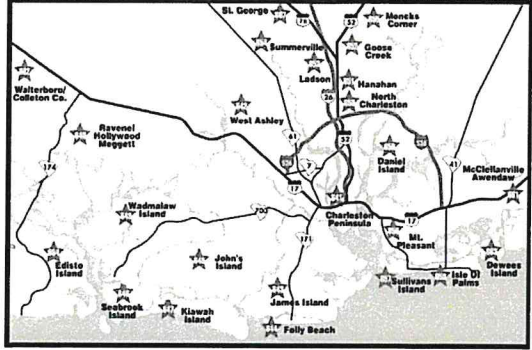
**NOTICE OF
PURPA HEARING**

Santee Cooper will hold a hearing to facilitate the consideration and determination of standards established by the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, as amended by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021. This hearing is held pursuant to the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 U.S.C. § 2601 et seq. The hearing will be held at the Horry Georgetown Office Auditorium, 305A Gardner Lacy Road, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579 on May 8, 2023, beginning at 4:00 p.m., with a second day of hearing at the Moncks Corner office, 1 Riverwood Drive, Moncks Corner, SC 29461 on May 9, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. The hearing schedule may be revised or updated. Documents and information are available on Santee Cooper's webpage: www.santeecooper.com. The following standards will be considered at the hearing:

1. Demand-response practices, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 2621(d)(20).
2. Electric vehicle charging programs, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 2621(d)(21).

Requests to make an oral presentation during the hearing are due by May 1, 2023. Requests can be made to PURPAcomments@santeecooper.com or by mail to PURPA Hearing Presiding Officer, 305A Gardner Lacy Road, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579. Written comments are due by June 8, 2023, via e-mail at PURPAcomments@santeecooper.com or by mail to PURPA Hearing Presiding Officer, 305A Gardner Lacy Road, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579.

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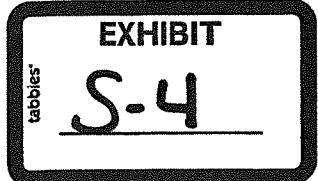
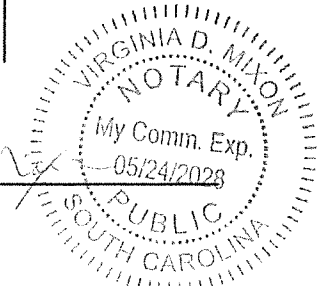
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SC airports land 8 more destinations with 6 airlines expanding

Staff report

As record numbers of air travelers continue to visit South Carolina, airports across the state continue to make it easier for people to fly to and from the Palmetto State.

Charleston, Greenville and Myrtle Beach airports picked up a total of five new destinations, airlines announced recently. Columbia will soon see nonstop flights to three additional destinations.

Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport on March 9 announced budget carrier Avolo Airlines will offer nonstop service to New Haven, Conn., and Orlando, Fla.

When those flights start this summer, Avolo will become the seventh airline serving the Upstate airport. The Houston-based low-fare airline already has flights from Charleston and Myrtle Beach.

JetBlue Airways plans to start daily nonstop flights May 25 from Charleston to Westchester County Airport in White Plains, N.Y., which is about 30 miles north of Manhattan. The New York-based airline already offers flights from Charleston to John F. Kennedy International and LaGuardia airports in the New York City area. The new route will bring



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A Myrtle Beach International Airport gas truck fills a Spirit airliner with fuel.

head-to-head competition between JetBlue and Breeze Airways, which already offers service to White Plains from Charleston and plans to offer daily flights to Westchester County Airport beginning May 1, according to its flight schedule.

Since Breeze started serving Charleston in 2021 with flights to 11 destinations, the

Utah-based low-cost carrier will reach 22 destinations from the Lowcountry when it adds twice-weekly service to Portland, Maine, beginning May 19.

Myrtle Beach also is getting new nonstop flights for the summer. Spirit Airlines, the largest carrier at Myrtle Beach International Airport, will add

a seasonal nonstop flight to Rochester, N.Y., beginning May 15. Allegiant Air will launch a seasonal nonstop flight from the Grand Strand to the Akron-Canton Airport in Ohio beginning June 1, according to the Las Vegas-based airline.

American Airlines soon will start flying nonstop to three destinations from Co-



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lumbia Metropolitan Airport, beginning with service to LaGuardia on May 5 and Chicago O'Hare on July 6. Seasonal nonstop service to Miami begins June 3 and runs through Aug. 12.

Both Charleston and Myrtle Beach airports saw record passenger volume in 2022. Charleston International, the state's largest airport, saw 5.32 million travelers coming and going last year, a 27 percent jump from 2021. Its previous record of 4.87 million was set in 2019.

Myrtle Beach International reported a record 3.46 million arrivals and departures, for a 7.7 percent gain from 2021 — which saw a

then-record 3.2 million passengers.

Officials with both airports attributed the surge to an increase in air service and the availability of more nonstop flights to and from South Carolina's popular tourist markets in the Lowcountry and along the Grand Strand.

Greenville-Spartanburg International reported nearly 2.2 million passengers in 2022. Its record of 2.6 million passengers was set in 2019. Columbia Metropolitan recorded 1.05 million passengers last year, its most since a record 1.35 million in 2019.

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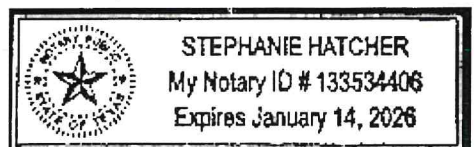
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No. 4 Taylor Fritz earns narrow victory at Indian Wells

Field Level Media

No. 4 seed Taylor Fritz of the United States battled back to earn a 4-6, 6-4, 6-3 victory over fellow countryman Ben Shelton in the second round of the BNP Paribas Open on Saturday to begin his title defense at Indian Wells, Calif.

Fritz, who defeated Spain's Rafael Nadal in the 2022 final at Indian Wells, won 26 of 31 (83.9 percent) second-serve points and didn't commit a double fault to overcome the loss in the opening set.

Shelton broke Fritz's serve in the fifth game of the first set, giving him a 3-2 edge. Shelton then took leads of 4-2 and 5-3

before finishing off Fritz for the early advantage. But Fritz battled back, never giving up his serve again for the remainder of the match as he clawed his way to the next round.

"He's a really good player," Fritz said of Shelton. "I expected him to come out serving well. He was playing well. He had nothing to lose so I did expect him to come out with a really high level. "I think I was ready for it. I just had to regroup and find a way to problem-solve."

Fritz, who hails from Southern California, got plenty of support from the home crowd that helped him rally for the victory.

"It's such a great feeling coming back, walking

onto the court and then walking back out after the match is over," Fritz said. "It's such an amazing feeling just to feel the crowd and be back home."

Fritz will face 30th-seeded Argentine Sebastian Baez, who defeated Australian qualifier Rinky Hijikata 6-3, 6-1.

Saturday's second-round action featured a number of upsets, including Hungarian Marton Fucsovics' 6-4, 6-2 sweep of 16th-seeded Alex de Minaur of Australia. Alex Molcan of Slovakia took down 18th-seeded Croatian Borna Coric 6-3, 6-3, while France's Adrian Panarino, Great Britain's Jack Draper and Switzerland's Stan Wawrinka — playing on a pro-



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jected ranking — also toppled seeded foes. No. 8 seed Felix Auger-Aliassime of Canada had no problem beating Spain's Pedro Martinez, winning 7-6 (5), 6-4. Ninth-seeded Hubert Hurkacz of Poland also

cruised to victory, besting Australian lucky loser No. 27 seed Francisco Cerundolo of Argentina, No. 31 seed Tallon Griekspoor of the Netherlands and Great Britain's Andy Murray were also among Saturday's winners.

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Iga Swiatek of Poland hits a shot as she won her second round match against Claire Liu of the U.S. in the BNP Paribas Open on Saturday at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden.

Iga Swiatek dominant in opener of defense at Indian Wells

Field Level Media

Top-seeded Iga Swiatek of Poland cruised past the United States' Claire Liu 6-0, 6-1 in 65 minutes to kick off defense of her title at the BNP Paribas Open on Saturday at Indian Wells, Calif.

Swiatek won 80 percent of her first serves in her first outing in an attempt to repeat.

"Coming back after such a great result last

year is something else," Swiatek said. "I wanted to get my level of energy up a little bit, because it's the hardest thing to do when everything goes your way."

Swiatek next plays Canadian Bianca Andreescu, a 4-6, 6-4, 6-3 winner over American Peyton Stearns in a match that lasted three hours and 31 minutes.

Fourth-seeded Ons Jabeur of Tunisia ousted Poland's Magdalena Frech

4-6, 6-4, 6-1 in 1 hour, 43 minutes. Fifth-seeded Caroline Garcia of France needed 3 hours, 7 minutes to get past Hungary's Dalma Galfi 6-1, 6-7 (4), 6-4.

No. 8 seed Daria Kasatkina of Russia rolled in straight sets over German Tatjana Maria, 6-2, 6-1. Tenth-seeded Elena Rybakina of Kazakhstan needed more than three hours to dispatch American Sofia Kenin in straight sets, 7-6 (6), 7-6

(5). Great Britain's Emma Raducanu upended No. 20 Magda Linette of Poland 7-6 (3), 6-2.

Other winners included No. 21-seeded Spaniard Paula Badosa, No. 19 seed Madison Keys of the U.S., No. 23 seed Martina Trevisan of Italy, 30th-seeded Leylah Fernandez of Canada, Croatia 25th seed Petra Martić and Belarusian Victoria Azarenka, the No. 14 seed.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Saturday's AP Top 25

- No. 1 Houston 69, Cincinnati 48; Jamal Sheard and J'wan Roberts each scored 16 points to make up for the injured Marcus Sasser as the Cougars (31-2) rolled in an American Athletic Conference tournament semifinal game in Fort Worth, Texas.
- No. 2 Arizona 61, No. 2 UCLA 59; Azuolas Tubelis scored 19 points with 14 rebounds and Omari Ballo added 13 points with eight rebounds as the Wildcats (28-6) won their second consecutive Pac-12

- scored 19 points for UCLA (29-5).
- No. 7 Texas 76, No. 3 Kansas 56; Dylan Disu scored 18 points on 7-of-9 shooting to help the Longhorns (26-8) win the Big 12 tournament championship at Kansas City, Mo. Jalen Wilson scored 24 points for top-seeded Kansas (27-7).
- No. 4 Alabama 72, No. 25 Missouri 61; Brandon Miller collected 20 points and 12 rebounds to lift the Crimson Tide in a SEC tournament semifinal in Nashville, Tenn. Noah Clowdy added 19 points as top-seeded Alabama (28-5) advanced to the title game on Sunday.
- D'Moi Hood recorded 21 points and nine rebounds to lead the fourth-seeded Tigers (24-9).
- No. 5 Purdue 80, Ohio

- lead the Boilermakers in a Big Ten tournament semifinal in Chicago.
- No. 6 Marquette 65, No. 15 Xavier 51; Top-seeded Marquette (28-6) cruised to its first Big East tournament title in New York, behind Tyler Kolek's 20 points, eight rebounds and three steals. Second-seeded Xavier (25-9) saw its five-game winning streak end.
- No. 21 Duke 59, No. 13 Virginia 49; Jeremy Roach scored 11 of his 23 points in the final five minutes and Kyle Filipowski scored 20 points for the Blue Devils (26-8) in the title game in Greensboro, N.C. Duke gave coach Jon Scheyer a championship in his first season. A first-year coach hadn't won the tournament since North Carolina's Bill Guthridge

- No. 18 Texas A&M 87, Vanderbilt 75; The Aggies (25-8) advanced to the SEC tournament championship game for the second straight year after Wade Taylor IV had 25 points.
- Penn State 77, No. 19 Indiana 73; Jalen Pickett had 28 points and eight rebounds to help the Nittany Lions (22-12) advance to the Big Ten championship game in Chicago.
- Trayce Jackson-Davis led Indiana (22-11) with 24 points, 10 rebounds and seven assists.
- No. 20 San Diego State 62, Utah State 57; Matt Bradley scored 16 points and Jaedon LeDee had 13 off the bench to lead the Aztecs (27-6) to a win over the Aggies in the championship game of the Mountain West tourna-

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1 commercial customers. I am also responsible for co-leading Santee Cooper's Electric
2 Vehicle Task Force which has a goal of developing a corporate strategy for Santee
3 Cooper's EV efforts. In addition to my EV work, I also assist with the development of
4 the Demand-Side Management portion of Santee Cooper's Integrated Resource Plan.

5 Q. **WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?**

6 A. I am testifying on behalf of Santee Cooper on the subject of Santee Cooper's response
7 to the proposed Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 standards in the area of
8 Electric Vehicle Charging Programs found in PURPA Section 111(d)(21).

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10 **II. ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PROGRAMS IN PURPA SECTION**
11 **111(d)(21)**

12 Q. **WHAT IS THE REQUIREMENT WITH RESPECT TO CONSIDERATION OF**
13 **ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING CONTAINED IN PURPA SECTION**
14 **111(d) (21)?**

15 A. The IIJA of 2021 amended the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to, among
16 other things, require that states consider a broad four-part regulatory policy to promote
17 electric vehicle charging. The section of the statute reads:

18 (21) Electric vehicle charging programs.--Each State shall

19 consider measures to promote greater electrification of the
20 transportation sector, including the establishment of rates that--

21 (A) promote affordable and equitable electric vehicle
22 charging options for residential, commercial, and public
23 electric vehicle charging infrastructure;

24 (B) improve the customer experience associated with

1 electric vehicle charging, including by reducing charging times
2 for light-, medium-, and heavy-duty vehicles;

3 (C) accelerate third-party investment in electric vehicle
4 charging for light-, medium-, and heavy-duty vehicles; and

5 (D) appropriately recover the marginal costs of
6 delivering electricity to electric vehicles and electric
7 vehicle charging infrastructure."

8 My testimony will discuss Santee Cooper's programs to encourage electric vehicle
9 charging in our retail service territories, which could promote electric vehicle charging
10 options for both customers and the public as well as offer a staff recommendation
11 regarding whether or not Santee Cooper should adopt the proposed standard set forth
12 at PURPA Section 111(d)(21).

13 **Q. DOES SANTEE COOPER HAVE ANY PROGRAMS OR PRACTICES TO**
14 **ENCOURAGE THE USE OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES?**

15 **A.** Santee Cooper has implemented several programs to encourage the use of electric
16 vehicles by its customers and encourages EV usage statewide. Through its campaign,
17 Empower Auto, Santee Cooper offers EV time-of-use rates which were designed for
18 residential customers with EVs, rebates for residential customers who install EV
19 charging in their homes, and an EV grant program available for commercial
20 customers.

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19 **A.** Yes.



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PURPA Public Hearing Information

The Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA) was passed in 1978 as part of the National Energy Act. The three purposes of PURPA are:

- Conservation of energy supplied by electric utilities.
- Optimization of the efficient use of facilities and resources by electric utilities.
- Equitable rates to electric customers.

On occasion, new PURPA policy standards are proposed by Congress for consideration and possible adoption. These new standards in question, which include demand response practices and electric vehicle (EV) charging programs, are included in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021.

Santee Cooper is considering these new PURPA standards and requesting public participation and input via in-person hearings or through written comments.

Learn more about the PURPA standards below and how you can get involved.

Background

On Nov. 15, 2021, President Biden signed into law the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (IIJA). Embedded within the IIJA are sections 40104(a)(1) and 40431(a), which require each state regulatory commission and each “nonregulated electric utility,” such as Santee Cooper, to consider and to determine whether or not to adopt two new proposed regulatory standards relating, respectively, to demand response and electric vehicle recharging programs.

Demand Response Practices Standard

As amended, by the IIJA, PURPA Section 111(d)(20) directs nonregulated electric utilities, like Santee Cooper, to consider for adoption a broad regulatory policy to promote demand response. The pertinent portion of the regulatory standard is excerpted below:

“(20) Demand-response practices.--



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(ii) Nonregulated electric utilities.--A nonregulated electric utility may establish rate mechanisms for the timely recovery of the costs of promoting demand-response and demand flexibility practices in accordance with subparagraph (A)."

Santee Cooper has one year from the enactment of the IIJA (by Nov. 15, 2022) to formally commence consideration of this regulatory standard and has two years from the enactment of the IIJA (by Nov. 15, 2023) to decide whether to adopt the regulatory standard.

Electric Vehicles Charging Programs Standard

As amended, PURPA Section 111(d)(21) directs nonregulated electric utilities, like Santee Cooper, to consider for adoption a broad, four-part regulatory policy to promote electric vehicle charging programs in their retail service territories:

"(21) Electric vehicle charging programs.--Each State shall consider measures to promote greater electrification of the transportation sector, including the establishment of rates that--

(A) promote affordable and equitable electric vehicle charging options for residential, commercial, and public electric vehicle charging infrastructure;

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(C) accelerate third-party investment in electric vehicle charging for light-, medium-, and heavy-duty vehicles; and

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Public Notice and Hearing Requirement

The due process required by PURPA includes the requirement that the determination as to the "appropriateness" of a particular standard take place "after public notice and hearing" and be (1) "in writing"; (2) "based upon findings included in such determination and upon evidence presented at the hearing"; and (3) be made "available to the public." Section 111(b) of PURPA.

Public Hearings

Santee Cooper will hold hearings to facilitate the consideration and determination of the PURPA standards. The public is invited to attend.

- May 8, 2023
4 p.m.
Santee Cooper
Horry-Georgetown Headquarters

305A Gardner Lacy Rd.
Myrtle Beach, SC 29579

- May 9, 2023
11 a.m.
Santee Cooper
Moncks Corner Headquarters
1 Riverwood Dr.
Moncks Corner, SC 29466

Subject Matter Experts' Pre-filed Testimony

Steven Roys: Electric vehicle charging programs

Ashley Millwood: Demand response

Mike Smith: Cost recovery and rate mechanisms related to demand response

Public Participation and Input

You are invited to attend public hearings, request to speak at public hearings, and submit written comments.

- Oral Presentation Request
 - Due by May 1, 2023
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1 commercial customers. I am also responsible for co-leading Santee Cooper's Electric
2 Vehicle Task Force which has a goal of developing a corporate strategy for Santee
3 Cooper's EV efforts. In addition to my EV work, I also assist with the development of
4 the Demand-Side Management portion of Santee Cooper's Integrated Resource Plan.

5 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?**

6 **A.** I am testifying on behalf of Santee Cooper on the subject of Santee Cooper's response
7 to the proposed Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 standards in the area of
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10 **II. ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PROGRAMS IN PURPA SECTION**
11 **111(d)(21)**

12 **Q. WHAT IS THE REQUIREMENT WITH RESPECT TO CONSIDERATION OF**
13 **ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING CONTAINED IN PURPA SECTION**
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9 charging in our retail service territories, which could promote electric vehicle charging
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11 regarding whether or not Santee Cooper should adopt the proposed standard set forth
12 at PURPA Section 111(d)(21).

13 **Q. DOES SANTEE COOPER HAVE ANY PROGRAMS OR PRACTICES TO**
14 **ENCOURAGE THE USE OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES?**

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16 vehicles by its customers and encourages EV usage statewide. Through its campaign,
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DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

Michael Smith

ON BEHALF OF

THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY

In the Matter of the Consideration of the Adoption of Certain Regulatory Standards

Pursuant to Section 111 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, as

amended by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (IIJA)

I. INTRODUCTION

Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.

A. My name is Michael Smith. My business address 1 Riverwood Drive, Moncks Corner, South Carolina 29461.

Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

A. I have a Bachelor of Science degree in General Engineering from the United States Naval Academy and a Master of Business Administration from the Goizueta Business School at Emory University. I served as a nuclear submarine officer in the United States Navy for 7 years and have been in the electric utility industry in various capacities for over 17 years. The majority of my utility experience is in finance, specifically in the areas of pricing, contract administration and billing. Additionally, I have held various engineering and leadership positions in the manufacturing and specialty chemical industries.

Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR POSITION AND RESPONSIBILITIES AT SANTEE COOPER.

1 A. I am employed by the South Carolina Public Service Authority (“Santee Cooper”) as
2 Director of Billing & Pricing. My responsibilities include the development and
3 implementation of customer rates for the residential, commercial and industrial classes
4 and the billing of our industrial and wholesale customers.

5 Q. **WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?**

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10 **II. DEMAND RESPONSE AND DEMAND FLEXIBILITY COST RECOVERY**
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6 My testimony will discuss Santee Cooper's approach to recovering the costs of demand
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8 **Q. PLEASE STATE HOW SANTEE COOPER RECOVERS THE COSTS OF**
9 **THE PROMOTION OF DEMAND-RESPONSE PROGRAMS.**

10 A. Santee Cooper designs its residential, commercial and industrial rates to recover all of
11 its cost of doing business, defined as "Revenue Requirements." Revenue
12 requirements include such items as fuel, operations and maintenance expenses, and
13 administration expenses. Since the costs of demand-response programs are included
14 in Revenue Requirements, Santee Cooper recovers the promotion costs of these
15 programs within its base rates.

16 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE ANY PROGRAMS SANTEE COOPER HAS IN PLACE**
17 **BASED ON TIME OF USE PRICING.**

18 A. Santee Cooper offers four rates to residential and commercial customers that are
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22 Commercial Time-of-Use Rate GT-17.

23 **Q. DOES SANTEE COOPER HAVE ANY RATES THAT ARE PARTICULAR**
24 **TO DEMAND-RESPONSE?**

1 A. Santee Cooper offers a Demand Response Buy-Back Rate (Schedule L-17-DRB) to industrial
2 customers. This rate compensates the customer for the capability of interrupting a specified
3 portion of their load with short notice and for a short duration. The customer is compensated
4 monthly for the kW amount that Santee Cooper may interrupt and also for each instance that
5 the capacity is interrupted.

6 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY?**

7 A. Yes.