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NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION ANNOUNCES NEW GENERAL COUNSEL

Raleigh, N.C. – The North Carolina Utilities Commission (NCUC) today announced, following the retirement of Sam Watson, the appointment of Warren Hicks to General Counsel effective June 1. As General Counsel, Hicks will serve as Director of the NCUC Legal Division and chief legal advisor to the members of the Commission and its professional staff.

Hicks previously served the Commission as a Senior Staff Attorney, from July 2020 until January 2025 and then most recently as Deputy General Counsel and Assistant Director of the Legal Division. Prior to joining the NCUC Staff, Hicks was a partner at Bailey & Dixon, LLP, where she regularly appeared before the Commission in proceedings impacting rates and service to high load factor, industrial energy users.

A native of Greensboro, N.C., Hicks earned a Bachelor of Arts in English and Art History from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a Juris Doctor from the Norman Adrian Wiggins School of Law.

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