### **About the Agency**

NCEMPA is a state-chartered municipal corporation formed in 1976 by cities that owned and operated electric distribution systems but did not own generating or transmission facilities. At that time, the cities were wholesale customers of either Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. (PEC) or Dominion North Carolina Power.

NCEMPA completed the sale of all of the electric generating and other assets it jointly owned with DEP to DEP on July 31, 2015. Contemporaneously with the sale of the jointly owned facilities NCEMPA entered into a full requirements power supply contract with DEP. In connection with the asset sale, bonds were issued ("the 2015 Bonds") to provide funds, together with proceeds of the asset sale and other funds available to NCEMPA, to pay the cost to retire or defease all of the outstanding Power System Revenue Bonds issued under Resolution R-2-82.

Management services for the NCEMPA Agency are provided by ElectriCities of North Carolina, Inc.

### **NCEMPA Officers**

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• Edenton

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• Elizabeth City

- Fremont
- Greenville
- Louisburg

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### **Quarterly Update**

CEO Roy Jones and the ElectriCities Board of Directors have worked together since last year to develop five strategic priorities that will enable us to address the challenges our members are facing over the next few years. Jones revealed the following five strategic priorities at the 2016 ElectriCities Annual Conference.

#### Wholesale Power Supply Cost

Noting that we took big steps in 2015 that resulted in cost savings for members.

Jones cited ways we can continue reducing wholesale energy costs, including expanding and growing distributed generation and load management programs and finding more opportunities to use the Catawba Nuclear Station's excess energy.

### **Workforce Planning and Development**

With estimates that 50 percent of the national energy workforce will retire in the next 10 years, public power stands to lose a lot of knowledge and expertise. "It's not easy to find the right person with the right skill set," Jones said, and competition from investor-owned energy companies, as well as giants like Google, makes replacing our retiring workers even more difficult. Promoting public service as a career choice is key, as is having training programs that are "as relevant, convenient and affordable as possible," Jones said.

#### **Grid Modernization**

Along with investing in people, Jones said, we need to continue investing in our infrastructure to modernize our power grid

to improve reliability and reduce losses. We must also invest in new technology like smart meters and utility billing software. And we can't overlook cybersecurity, he said, adding, "You never know where the next threat may come from."

#### **Continuous Improvement**

"We must constantly challenge ourselves,"
Jones said. Meeting today's customers'
expectations for services and payment
options is imperative, because "the
very foundation of public power is being
connected to the customers we serve."
Jones encouraged communities to continue
working together, whether we're in
disaster recovery situations or managing
day-to-day operations.

#### Communicating the Value of Public Power

A recent APPA survey revealed that only one in five public power customers knows that their electricity comes from a public power utility and what that means for them. That means there's great opportunity to explain the benefits of public power, both in terms of economic development and in connecting with younger customers.

In conclusion, Jones reminded us that the strength of public power has always been our people. We are part of the communities we serve, and we take pride in being responsive to our customers who live there with us, he said. "That's the value of public power, and it's why I'm proud to be part of the public power community."

### Third Quarter Performance

The financial statements included herein reflect the third guarter for 2016 and 2015, respectively. NCEMPA completed the sale of its interests in jointly owned nuclear and coal facilities to Duke Energy Progress, "DEP," effective August 1, 2015 and simultaneously entered into to a full requirements power supply contract with DEP. The proceeds from the asset sale, the operating and reserve funds available to the Power Agency under the then existing Resolution R-2-82 and proceeds from the new debt issued under BDR-5-15, were utilized to defease all of the outstanding debt under Resolution R-2-82. The third quarter of 2016 financial statements reflect the assets and liabilities and results of operations under the new full requirements power supply contract which became effective on August 1, 2015. The third guarter of 2015 financial statements reflects the results of operations prior to the sale of the jointly owned facilities in July, while August and September reflect results after the sale. The significant change to NCEMPA's operations and finances should be considered when reading these financial statements.

Sales of electricity to participants increased \$5.960,000 (3.7%) compared to the third quarter of 2015. Billed demand and energy increased by 73 MW (2%) and 140.826 MWh (7%), respectively, due to warmer weather experienced in the third quarter of 2016 compared to the same quarter in 2015.

Other revenues in the third quarter of 2015 reflect the loss recognized on the asset sale in July 2015.

Investment income available for operations decreased \$2,733,000 (92.0%) compared to the third quarter of 2015, due to the gains realized on the sale of securities related to the asset sale in July 2015. Securities were sold pursuant to the

2015 Bond issuance to provide the escrow requirements for the defeasance of the old Revenue Bonds.

Operations and maintenance, as well as fuel costs for the third quarter of 2015 reflect NCEMPA's ownership of the joint facilities through July 31, and adjustments for accumulated deferred expenses for plant stock inventory on hand at closing and fuel inventory. The corresponding costs reflected in the financial statements for the third quarter of 2016 includes only the costs related to the distributed generation assets that were retained by NCEMPA.

Purchased Power costs increased \$22,631,000 (21.9%) compared to the third quarter of 2015. The increase is primarily due to the change in the power supply contract as a result of the sale of jointly owned assets on July 31, 2015 and partially due to higher demand and energy requirements resulting from warmer weather conditions in the third quarter of 2016.

Debt service costs decreased \$15,516,000 (54.8%) compared to the third quarter of 2015. The utilization of the asset sales proceeds and other funds available to NCEMPA resulted in a significant reduction in the outstanding debt of the Agency.

Special fund deposits made during the third quarter of 2015 were required under the initial project bond resolution associated with NCEMPA's ownership of the joint facilities. Certain special fund deposits were required to provide for obligations relating to the ownership and operation of those facilities. Special fund deposits are no longer required under the full requirements bond resolution which became effective after the sale of the joint facilities to DEP on July 31, 2015, and accordingly were not made during the third quarter of 2016.

# **Financing Status**

As of September 30, 2016, NCEMPA had outstanding \$386,215,000 in bonds. The first principal payment on these bonds was paid on July 1, 2016.

The weighted average interest cost of

the NCEMPA outstanding debt at the end of the quarter was 3.6%.

To date, NCEMPA has had \$35,215,000 in debt redeemed prior to or at maturity.

NCEMPA Statement of Net Position
Per accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) (Unaudited) (\$000s)

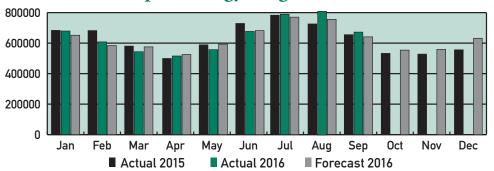
	<b>September 30, 2016</b>	September 30, 2015		<b>September 30, 2016</b>	<b>September 30, 2015</b>
Assets			Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Non-Current Assets			Costs of advance refundings of debt	-	-
Capital Assets:			Unamortized debt issuance costs	\$ 1,490	\$ 1,456
Electric Utility Plant, Net:			VEPCO Compensation payment	_	-
Electric plant in service	\$14,664	\$14,464	Development costs	-	-
Construction work in progress	-	-	Cost to Be Recovered	360,332	397,368
Nuclear fuel	-	-	Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$361,822	\$398,824
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(1,307)	(734)			<u> </u>
Total Electric Utility Plant, Net	13,357	13,730	Liabilities		
Non-Utility Property and Equipment, Net:			Non-Current Liabilities:		
Property and equipment	2,254	2,961	Long-Term Debt:		
Less accumulated depreciation	(1,178)	(1,842)	Bonds payable	\$347,540	\$386,215
Total Non-Utility Property and Equipment, Net	1,076	1,119	• •		
Total Capital Assets	14,433	14,849	Total Long-Term Debt	347,540	386,215
Restricted Assets:			Asset Retirement Obligation	-	-
Special Funds Invested:			Total Non-Current Liabilities	347,540	386,215
Construction fund	-	-	Current Liabilities:		
Bond fund	25,351	20,683	Operating Liabilities:		
Reserve and contingency fund	5,257	5,084	Accounts payable	41,245	55,967
Revenue fund	358	-	Revolving Credit Agreement	-	-
Total Special Funds Invested	30,966	25,767	Accrued taxes	75	47
Trust for Decommissioning Costs	-	-	Total Operating Liabilities	41,320	56,014
Total Restricted Assets	30,966	25,767	Special Funds Liabilities:		
Total Non-Current Assets	45,399	40,616	Current maturities of bonds	38,675	35,215
			Accrued interest on bonds	3,037	2,123
Current Assets			Total Special Funds Liabilities	41,712	37,338
Funds Invested:			Total Current Liabilities	83,032	93,352
Revenue fund	-	-	Total Liabilities	\$430,572	\$479,567
Operating fund	-	3,938			
Supplemental fund	139,255	109,581	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Total Funds Invested	139,255	113,519	Collections to be expended	\$26,796	\$26,017
			Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$26,796	\$26,017
Participant accounts receivable	50,354	49,158		<del></del>	420,011
Plant materials and renewable certificate inventory	6,309	7,024	Net Position		
Prepaid expenses	2,300	3,537	Net invested in capital assets	\$14,433	(360)
Total Current Assets	198,218	173,328	Restricted for debt service	1,031	(300)
Total Assets	\$243,617	\$213,854	Unrestricted	132,607	107,454
			Total Net Position	\$148,071	\$107,094

## **NCEMPA Statements of Revenues and Expenses**

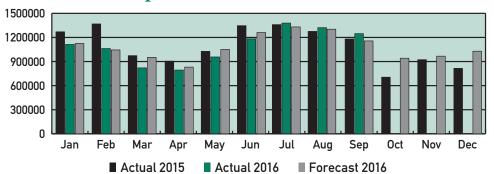
Per bond resolution and other agreements (Unaudited) (\$000s)

	Quarter Ended	September 30	Year-to-Date September 30	
Revenues	2016	2015	2016	2015
Sales of electricity to participants	\$165,340	\$159,380	\$427,134	\$505,633
Sales of electricity to utilities Fund	-	-	-	22
Fund valuation	_	25.471	_	25.471
Other revenues	_	(12.312)	695	(12,312)
Investment revenue available for operations	237	2,970	633	4,837
Total Revenues	165,577	175,509	428,462	523,651
Expenses				
Operation and maintenance	114	(48,268)	260	16,000
Fuel	201	(73,300)	287	(55,793)
Power coordination services:				
Purchased power	126,179	103,548	320,084	196,652
Transmission and distribution	7,048	6,670	17,708	19,292
Other	812	1,352	2,420	3,648
<b>Total Power Coordination Services</b>	134,039	111,570	340,212	219,592
Administrative and general - DEP	-	1,329	-	14,355
Administrative and general - Agency	2,607	3,334	8,302	9,757
Sums in lieu of taxes	-	447	75	1,947
Gross receipts tax	-	-	-	(214)
Debt service	12,790	28,306	38,270	145,877
Special funds deposits:				
Reserve and contingency fund	-	-	-	11,924
Decommissioning fund	-	182	-	1,277
Revenue Fund Deposit	-	159,089	-	169,089
Total Expenses	149,751	182,689	387,406	533,811
Net Position (decrease)	15,826	(7,180)	41,056	(10,160)
Net Position, beginning of period	132,246	114,274	132,246	114,274
Net Position, end of period	\$148,072	\$107,094	\$173,302	\$104,114

# NCEMPA Participant Energy Usage (in MWh)



# NCEMPA Participant CP Demand (in kW)



NOTE: \* NCEMPA Energy and CP Demand are at the Power Agency to City Billing Point and includes the SEPA allocation. Actual data is not weather normalized.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The Forecast Year 2016 is from the NCEMPA 2015 Load Forecast.