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The Honorable Nikki Haley
Governor of South Carolina
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Dear Governor Haley:

This is my final week as the state president for Duke Energy in South Carolina. Before I step away from this role, I want to personally thank you for your leadership of this state and the great working relationship we've shared over the past four years.

I want to particularly thank you for your support and steady guidance of the state during the numerous severe weather challenges we've faced in recent years, most notably and recently Hurricane Matthew. This storm caused significant damage to our infrastructure and left many of our customers in the dark for several days. The men and women of Duke Energy managed through that and helped restore light to our communities in a safe and speedy fashion, while you and the great members of Team South Carolina went to work to support the utilities, co-ops and other organizations needed to recover from such a storm. I am very proud in the way the folks in this state come together in times of need and challenge, and again I thank you for your leadership during those times and each and every day.

Beginning January 1, Kodwo Ghartey-Tagoe will take the helm and manage state and local regulatory and government relations – and community affairs – for Duke Energy in the state. I've known Kodwo for a number of years, and he is well prepared to lead through the many opportunities that await the Duke Energy team in the new year and beyond. I know he looks forward to working with you and other leaders across the state as well.

As for me, I'm staying in South Carolina and headed back to the team I began with at Duke Energy 12 years ago. I started with Duke Energy recruiting companies to set up operations in the Carolinas, and now as senior vice president of economic development – the company's chief economic development officer - I have the opportunity to lead an enterprise-wide team that will seek to identify and attract new and expanding industries to Duke Energy's 7-state service territory, in addition to enhancing the company's electrification strategy. I am excited about the possibilities and opportunities this new position will provide for me, for Duke Energy and for South Carolina.

It has indeed been my distinct privilege to serve in this role for the citizens of this state. Thank you again for making South Carolina a great place to call home, and I wish you the best in your future endeavors.

Many thanks,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Clark", written in a cursive style.