



2024 Annual Accountability Report

Office of Regulatory Staff

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AGENCY'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The ORS continues to serve the public interest of consumers across all programmatic areas. This narrative covers selected highlights from FY 23-24 as well as risk and mitigation strategies for the future.

Cases and Savings for Consumers

Of the 113 newly docketed cases the ORS participated in during FY 23-24, these rate-impacting cases generated savings to consumers of **\$13,885,603**:

Piedmont Natural Gas RSA	\$684,108
Dominion Energy SC Gas Rates	\$10,584,730
Duke Energy Carolinas Annual Fuel Review	\$2,566,491
JACABB	\$1,390
Dominion Energy SC Annual Fuel Review	\$48,884
TOTAL	\$13,885,603

From the agency's inception through June 30, 2024, the ORS generated the following savings to consumers from its caseload:

Savings By Fiscal Year (Rounded to the nearest thousand)

FY 04-05	\$63,356,000
FY 05-06	\$95,475,000
FY 06-07	\$59,794,000
FY 07-08	\$114,662,000
FY 08-09	\$147,692,000
FY 09-10	\$198,992,000
FY 10-11	\$233,461,000
FY 11-12	\$405,436,000
FY 12-13	\$83,097,000
FY 13-14	\$175,000,000
FY 14-15	\$45,983,000
FY 15-16	\$30,816,000
FY 16-17	\$69,388,000
FY 17-18	\$28,736,000

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FY 18-19	\$158,850,000
FY 19-20	\$14,520,000
FY 20-21	\$20,817,000
FY 21-22	\$149,125,000
FY 22-23	\$331,192,000
FY 23-24	\$13,886,000
TOTAL	\$2,440,278,000

Consumer Services

The Consumer Services Department is the agency’s first line of contact with consumers. Consumer Services supports consumers to arrange installment payments, extensions to payment due dates, manageable security deposits, and access to community financial assistance resources. In FY 23-24, staff members worked with consumers to recover funds due to billing errors, refunds of deposits, unauthorized charges, incorrect rates being charged, disputes about charges, and service-quality issues. As part of its consumer education outreach, Consumer Services distributed **39,000** copies of publications and promotional materials.

In FY 23-24, Consumer Services fielded **1,521** complaints and inquiries from consumers and recovered **\$698,010** on their behalf (approximately \$127,000 of which are annually recurring recoveries).

Broadband

The fundamental goal of the South Carolina Broadband Office (SCBBO) is to expand broadband access across the state. The conclusion of FY 23-24 saw several major milestones reached. On June 28, 2024, the SCBBO announced the conclusion of its American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant programs that have resulted in the commitment of \$400 million to expand high-speed internet access to over 112,380 unserved or underserved Broadband Serviceable Locations (BSLs) statewide.

The 25-month process was initiated on May 13, 2022, when the Governor signed Act 244 into law, which allocated ARPA funding to a variety of state agencies – including \$400 million to the ORS to expand broadband infrastructure.

Taken collectively, ARPA broadband funds were awarded to 19 Internet Service Providers (ISP) for 129 projects. The funding positively impacted all 46 counties and is currently transforming over 23 Main Street communities – including the final two underserved municipalities of Norway and Ridge Spring, SC. When complete, ARPA funds will have fueled the construction of approximately 13,250 miles of fiber to over 112,380 BSLs.

Notably, all ARPA funds were deployed six months ahead of federal deadlines, and the result accrues to the benefit of South Carolinians because all ARPA-related construction work is also scheduled to be completed six months early – June 30, 2026.

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As of June 30, 2024, there were an estimated 150,705 underserved BSLs (impacting over 337,000 residents) in South Carolina; however, when construction on currently funded projects – including state, ARPA SLFRF, ARPA CPF, USDA ReConnect, and FCC Rural Digital Opportunity Funds – completes, the number of underserved BSLs is expected to fall to approximately 31,750 by 2030.

Statewide, over 1.9 million residents (86%) now subscribe to high-speed internet, and over 500,000 South Carolinians (approximately 20%) now have high-speed fiber in their homes.

When the additional \$546 million of Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) funding is approved later in 2024, the SCBBO estimates that it will have more than sufficient funds to provide access for the remaining 31,750 residential and business locations in South Carolina. Therefore, the end of the South Carolina digital divide is in sight.

[Digital Opportunity Department](#)

On October 1, 2023, the responsibility for Digital Equity (DE) transferred from the SC Department of Administration to the ORS and is now called the South Carolina Digital Opportunity Department (SCDOD).

The SCDOD focuses on opportunities to educate South Carolinians on how broadband access and adoption can enhance the state’s workforce and individuals' lives. The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) approved South Carolina’s DE Plan (submitted to the NTIA by SCDOD in February of 2024) on April 2, 2024. This five-year plan is designed to help bridge the digital divide through enhanced broadband adoption and use.

In March 2024, the NTIA announced South Carolina’s allocation in the DE State Capacity Program in the amount of approximately \$12.8 million to begin implementing the DE Plan. Funds are expected to be disbursed in October 2024 or later.

[SC Equipment Distribution Program](#)

The South Carolina Equipment Distribution Program (SCEDP), housed within the ORS, helps consumers who are deaf or have hearing or speech challenges by providing them with specialized telephone equipment. The program received and reviewed 596 applications; approved 493 applications; and conducted installations for 78 SCEDP clients, which included training on how to use the specialized telephone equipment.

In FY 23-24, SCEDP’s outreach included distribution of approximately 2,400 publications and printed materials statewide. In addition, SCEDP staff gave presentations around the state to speech-language pathologists, medical professionals, and other organizations serving citizens who may have a hearing or speech challenge. These presentations raise awareness among those who serve clients that may qualify for SCEDP services. Additional presentations at senior

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centers and senior expos reach the target population directly. Over 50 presentations and exhibits were made in FY 23-24.

State Energy Office

The State Energy Office, housed within the ORS, advances South Carolina’s energy strategy and policy through education and outreach. Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), the State Energy Office received (in the prior fiscal year, FY 22-23) a five-year formula award totaling \$6.8 million via the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) State Energy Program (SEP). This additional SEP funding will enable the SC Energy Office to implement several recommendations from former and ongoing energy-planning stakeholder processes.

The State Energy Office allocated a portion of South Carolina’s IIJA funding toward the opportunity to provide a fresh look at our state’s energy strategy as contemplated by the South Carolina Energy Efficiency Act.

In FY 23-24, the State Energy Office developed a statement of work for a consultant to assist with the refresh of the 2016 State Energy Plan. Per Executive Order 2023-18, the ORS and the State Energy Office are drafting the final scope of work, which will then be shared with the powerSC Interagency Working Group and the PURC. The State Energy Office received emergency procurement authority and will begin the process of working with the State Procurement Office to expediently select the right consultant. This process will continue in FY 24-25.

Updating the State Energy Plan will be a multi-year effort to provide South Carolina with a current, comprehensive energy strategy, and it will require a great deal of collaboration across the public and private sectors.

Electric Vehicle Stakeholder Initiative. The State Energy Office released the Electric Vehicle (EV) Stakeholder Initiative Report (the EVSI Report) on September 21, 2022. The EVSI Report summarizes opportunities to advance EV deployment in South Carolina. It features the collaborative work of over 350 diverse stakeholders to examine the legislative and regulatory landscape for EV access and adoption, identify challenges and opportunities, and develop actionable recommendations for South Carolina.

In FY 23-24, the State Energy Office conducted a survey to assess EV-related activities in South Carolina. Pursuant to state statute, the State Energy Office will publish survey results and updates to the EVSI Report.

Financial Support. In FY 23-24, the Energy Office saved the public approximately \$15.5 million through a variety of energy initiatives. The Energy Office administers federal financial assistance to support public and private entities investing in energy-saving programs. Examples include:

- Approved \$68,250 in energy-efficiency tax credits
- Promoted energy efficiency, renewable energy, and clean transportation among public and private entities and nonprofits through four low-interest loan/grant programs:

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ConserFund, mini-grants, SC Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (SC EECBG) program, and the Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan (EERL) program. The State Energy Office has provided financial support in a variety of ways:

- Completed one previously awarded ConserFund Loan resulting in projected lifetime savings to borrowers of over \$1.6 million. No new ConserFund loans were awarded during this reporting period.
- Awarded and completed one EERL loan resulting in projected lifetime savings of over \$569,000.
- Completed four mini-grant projects totaling \$30,660 for public and non-profit entities to spur innovation and save over \$257,952 over the useful life of the projects. Three of the mini-grant projects were awarded in the previous reporting period. The remaining project was one of seven mini-grant awards issued in the current reporting period, totaling \$68,829. The other six mini-projects are expected to be completed in the next reporting period.
- Retrofitted 21 buildings comprising 2,359,177 square feet.
- Initiated the SC Competitive Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) subgrant program available to smaller units of local government to implement qualifying energy efficiency projects. Following two rounds of applications, the State Energy Office selected 19 projects. Four grant award agreements were executed in FY 23-24; the remaining 15 agreements are anticipated to be executed in the next fiscal year.
- Applied for and received early administrative funding to engage a consultant to apply for, design, and implement two federally funded rebate programs for residential homeowners under the Inflation Reduction Act.

Safety

Pipeline Safety. In partnership with the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), the ORS Pipeline Safety Program maintained responsibility for 25,944 miles of natural gas pipeline serving 951,809 customers.

ORS Pipeline Safety inspectors conducted a total of **153** inspections in FY 23-24 and responded to **43** technical gas pipeline safety-related inquiries from the public, operators, and contractors.

The Pipeline Safety Program received favorable results from the annual audit conducted by PHMSA. For the program evaluation, the ORS received a 98 out of 100 (98%). A one-point deduction was due to an administrative procedure error that has now been corrected. The other one-point deduction was because the ORS did not issue any fines; instead of issuing fines, the ORS has been very successful in developing a cooperative approach with operators to correct identified deficiencies.

On the progress report, the agency scored 46 out of 50 (92%) because the civil penalty amounts in South Carolina statutes did not match the federal level of civil penalty amounts. However, PHMSA acknowledged that with the May 2024 passage of House Bill 5154 to increase the fine amounts, ORS Pipeline Safety should be able to earn those points in future audits.

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ESF 12 Emergency Response. The ESF 12 staff stays trained and prepared for emergencies through participation in multiple readiness-training exercises. For example, ESF 12 staff members participated in the state full-scale emergency exercise during the first week of March 2024. The simulated emergency involved an earthquake in the Charleston area.

When not in activation mode, ESF 12 members also engage in collaborations to discuss and plan best practices in the event of an emergency. In FY 23-24, for example, ESF 12 continued to participate in the EMP (electromagnetic pulse/ resiliency) working group. This group of county emergency managers focuses on mitigation or consequence management during times of a long-term power outage caused by an EMP lapse or cyber-attack.

Rail Safety. In partnership with the Federal Railroad Administration, the ORS Rail Safety Program continued inspections of South Carolina’s infrastructure to maximize the safety of the state’s railroad system.

Inspectors conducted both track and operating practices (OP) inspections around the state. For the track and OP disciplines combined, ORS inspectors conducted 242 rail safety inspections and issued 277 rail safety defect citations. Staff responded to 75 technical railroad safety-related inquiries from railroads, industry, and the public. Inspectors also conducted 57 incident investigations.

Administration

Budget. The ORS regularly and carefully monitors expenditures to ensure resources are managed to accomplish the agency’s mission, goals, and objectives. Critical to accomplishing our mission is the management of budget resources to retain, train, and add to our team of skilled professionals.

FY 23-24 ORS Budget. The ORS budget for FY 23-24 was \$21.4 million and included the following program areas: ORS, SC Energy Office, Dual Party Relay, Broadband Office, and Santee Cooper Oversight.

Calendar Year 2023 USF (Universal Service Fund) Financial Statement Audit. The ORS is administrator of the SC Universal Service Fund (USF), which provides monetary support for telecommunications services in South Carolina. The objective of the audit is to obtain an independent opinion as to whether the financial statements of the USF are fairly presented.

The 2023 Audited Financial Statements have been issued; the opinion is an “unqualified opinion,” which is a clean opinion.

Grants. The ORS has received, or is in the process of receiving, significant federal funding in the SC Broadband Office, the State Energy Office, and the recently formed Digital Opportunity Department. Finance and program staff have proactively instituted internal controls and are taking all necessary steps in the prudent administration, management, and use of these federal dollars.

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Agency Staffing. ORS executive leadership continues to make organizational changes that better position the ORS for the future. The ORS has strategically hired new staff, as well as promoted from within the agency, to ensure that the agency can excel in carrying out all its responsibilities. The ORS consistently evaluates the need for additional positions, especially given the amount of federal funding coming to the agency. Some positions may be grant-limited positions.

Implementation of Technology

New Department Formed. As the ORS has grown, the Information Technology (IT) needs of the ORS have evolved significantly and will continue to do so. With that in mind, the ORS expanded its IT department in FY 23-24 by creating a new organizational area known as Technology Solutions and Outreach (TSO). Having a TSO department provides a way to consolidate and streamline technology functions and technology-driven outreach functions.

SCBBO Construction Dashboard. In FY 23-24, the SCBBO collaborated with Ookla and IBM to create the SCBBO Construction Dashboard (the Dashboard). The Dashboard enables the SCBBO to capture proof from consumers that they have subscribed to service and that the networks function at federally mandated speeds. This determination is essential because the ORS does not reimburse Internet Service Providers until broadband projects are 100% complete. Currently, the SCBBO is using the Dashboard for internal purposes only. The long-term vision is to make it fully public for consumers' use.

Looking Ahead

In FY 23-24, the ORS received major programmatic funding in the SC Broadband Office and the SC Energy Office resulting from the passage of federal legislation; both programs are preparing for an influx of more funding in the coming fiscal years. In addition, the newly formed Digital Opportunity Department will be receiving federal funding in the next year.

The ORS will continue to implement recent laws and regulations in the regulatory arena including, among others, Act 227, Act 90, Act 56, the SC Energy Freedom Act (Act 62), and the Broadband Accessibility Act.

The ORS continuously monitors potential changes that may affect the regulatory landscape. In April 2024, the EPA issued a prepublication version of its final carbon pollution standards for power plants that, according to the EPA website, “[s]et carbon dioxide (CO2) limits for new gas-fired combustion turbines and CO2 emission guidelines for existing coal, oil and gas-fired steam generating units...” The rule was signed by the EPA Administrator on April 24, 2024, and was submitted for publication in the Federal Register. According to the language in the rule, it was effective 60 days after publication in the Federal Register.

The ORS filed comments on the then-proposed rule in August of 2023 stating its position that the then-proposed rule had the potential to dangerously undermine the reliability of the grid,

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place an unreasonable financial burden on consumers, and cause immediate and irreparable harm to South Carolina consumers and the state economy.

As of this writing, the ORS is currently evaluating the rule, how it intersects with the ORS' statutory mission, and how it may be affected by the recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling that overturned the Chevron doctrine, a longstanding principle whereby a federal agency's interpretation of its own ambiguous statutes was given deference by the courts. If appropriate, the ORS plans to represent the public interest before the EPA and may work with other state agencies in this effort.

[Risk and Mitigation Strategies](#)

If the ORS does not fulfill its mission of representing the public interest in utility regulation, the adverse consequences for consumers could be 1) paying high, inequitable rates that exceed what is adequate for utilities to maintain service reliability or 2) paying rates that are too low for utilities to sustain reliable service to customers.

The ORS will continue to need the assistance of outside experts who provide specialized expertise and analysis for rate case preparation and other facets of the ORS' work; employing such experts as full-time employees would be unnecessary and expensive.

The ORS respectfully requests that the General Assembly continue to provide the following:

- 1) support from the General Assembly and the PURC;
- 2) a budget that allows the ORS to recruit, hire, and retain talented staff; and
- 3) the ability and funding to hire and retain outside experts as necessary.

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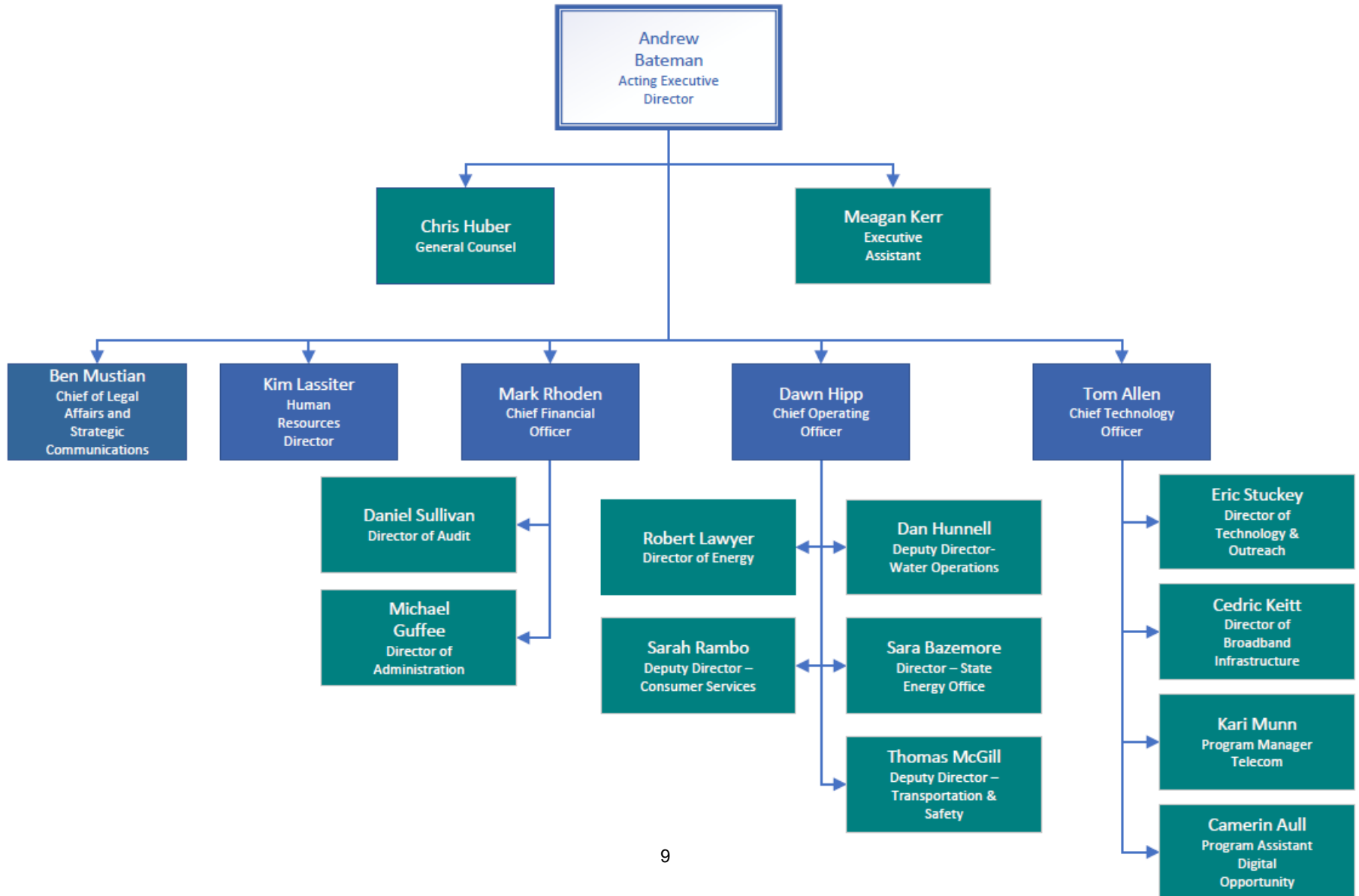
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Reorganization and Compliance

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Agency Mission

Adopted in:

2018

The ORS represents the public interest in utility regulation. The public interest, as defined by the South Carolina General Assembly, is as follows.

The concerns of the using and consuming public with respect to public utility services, regardless of the class of customer, and preservation of continued investment and maintenance of utility facilities so as to provide reliable and high quality utility services.

Agency Vision

Adopted in:

2015

Fundamental to the success of our agency are the these basic values:

Integrity - We uphold the law in every action and interaction necessary to the public utilities.

Impartiality - We abide by our legislative mandate of impartiality as we strive to represent all facets of the public interest.

Responsiveness - We respond to all requirements, requests, and concerns with a sense of urgency and efficiency.

Respect - We respect the individual contributions of our employees and empower them to attain their professional and personal potential. We respect the consumers, public utilities, and regulatory bodies with whom we interact.

Professionalism - We uphold the highest standards of professionalism in our conduct, our work ethic, and our interactions with utilities, regulatory bodies, and the consuming public.

Innovation - We are innovative in the way we conduct our work, solve problems, and address challenges. We Strive to exceed the status quo in all we do.

Excellence - Above all, we remain committed to excellence in our work, in our attitudes, and in our dealings with utilities, regulatory bodies, and the using and consuming public.

Recommendations for reorganization requiring legislative change:

None

Agency intentions for other major reorganization to divisions, departments, or programs to allow the agency to operate more effectively and efficiently in the succeeding fiscal year:

None

Significant events related to the agency that occurred in FY2024

Description of Event	Start	End	Agency Measures Impacted	Other Impacts
No significant events.				

Is the agency in compliance with S.C. Code Ann. § 2-1-220, which requires submission of certain reports to the Legislative Services Agency for publication online and the State Library? (See also S.C. Code Ann. § 60-2-20).

Yes

Reason agency is out of compliance: (if applicable)

Is the agency in compliance with various requirements to transfer its records, including electronic ones, to the Department of Archives and History? See the Public Records Act (S.C. Code Ann. § 30-1-10 through 30-1-180) and the South Carolina Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (S.C. Code Ann. § 26-6-10 through 26-10-210).

Yes

Does the law allow the agency to promulgate regulations?		Yes
Law number(s) which gives the agency the authority to promulgate regulations:	58-27-2660 - Solar Consumer Protection Regulations	
Has the agency promulgated any regulations?		Yes
Is the agency in compliance with S.C. Code Ann. § 1-23-120 (J), which requires an agency to conduct a formal review of its regulations every five years?		Yes
(End of Reorganization and Compliance Section)		

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Strategic Plan Results

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- Goal 1 The ORS is responsive to the public
- Goal 2 The ORS' operations are marked by professional excellence
- Goal 3 The ORS Energy Office advances South Carolina's Energy Strategy and Policy through education and outreach

Perf. Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	Primary Stakeholder	State Funded Program Number Responsible	Notes
1.1 ORS provides consumer education														
State Objective: Government and Citizens														
1.1.1	Efficient deployment of broadband infrastructure. Distribute and manage funding opportunities.	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000.00	Dollar	Equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year	Grant Funds deployed	Performance Reporting - monthly	Internal	Broadband consumer	Government and Citizens	V	
1.1.2	Through various mediums (social media, website, PSAs, town halls, workshops), ORS provides information related to public utilities	200,000	150,000	200,000	Count	Equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year	Sum of contacts	Performance Reporting - monthly	Internal	Consumer Education	Government and Citizens	III	
1.1.3	Provide monthly review letters.	12	12	12	Count	Complete	State Fiscal Year	Sum of materials	Performance Reporting - monthly	Internal	Consumer Education	Government	I	
2.1 ORS coordinates with local, State, and Federal agencies														
State Objective: Government and Citizens														
2.1.1	Coordinate with Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) and conduct pipeline inspections	375	350	405	Count	Equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year	PHMSA Regulations Formula	Performance Reporting - monthly	Internal	Consumer Safety	Government and Citizens	IV	Higher than average inspections due to certification of new inspector.
2.1.2	Coordinate with the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) and conduct rail inspections	250	90	242	Count	Equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year	Number of inspections	Performance Reporting - monthly	Internal	Consumer Safety	Government and Citizens	III	
2.2 Respond to EMD events as related to the mission of the agency														
State Objective: Government and Citizens														
2.2.1	Coordinate restoration and fuel supply for re-entry during EMD events.	100%	100%	100%	Percent	Maintain range	State Fiscal Year	Attendance records	Performance Reporting - monthly	Internal	Consumer Safety	Government and Citizens	III	
2.2.2	Respond to natural gas and rail safety events in coordination with federal agencies to serve the citizens in EMD matters.	100%	100%	100%	Percent	Maintain range	State Fiscal Year	Attendance records	Performance Reporting - monthly	Internal	Consumer Safety	Government and Citizens	III & IV	
3.1 ORS Energy Office serves as informational and educational resource on energy matters														
State Objective: Government and Citizens														
3.1.1	Distribute newsletters and other educational materials to the public and other stakeholders	4,500	4,000	42,344	Count	Equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year	Number of newsletter recipients and educational materials distributed	Performance Reporting - monthly	Internal	Consumer Education	Government and Citizens	V.A.	Increase in subscribers to EO newsletters.

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3.1.2	Hold training or educational forums or serve as sponsor of events on energy efficiency, renewable energy, and alternative fuels		2,265	4,100	723	Count	Equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year	Stakeholders served/attendees	Performance Reporting - monthly	Internal	Consumer Education	Government and Citizens	V.A.	Decrease in training offered due to management of additional federal grant funds.

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Strategic Plan Development

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Budget Data

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State Funded Program No.	State Funded Program Title	Description of State Funded Program	(Actual) General	(Actual) Other	(Actual) Federal	(Actual) Total	(Projected) General	(Projected) Other	(Projected) Federal	(Projected) Total
0506.050000X000	Dual Party Relay Funds	Dual Party Relay Funds	\$ -	\$ 2,570,774.94	\$ -	\$ 2,570,774.94	\$ -	\$ 4,165,696.00	\$ -	\$ 4,165,696.00
0509.010000.000	Office Of Executive Director	Office Of Executive Director	\$ -	\$ 1,568,483.00	\$ -	\$ 1,568,483.85	\$ -	\$ 2,088,023.00	\$ -	\$ 2,088,023.00
1011.000000.000	Support Services	Support Services	\$ -	\$ 2,046,503.00	\$ -	\$ 2,046,503.64	\$ -	\$ 2,340,986.00	\$ -	\$ 2,340,986.00
1800.000000.000	ORS Programs	ORS Programs	\$ -	\$ 3,032,709.00	\$ -	\$ 3,032,709.00	\$ -	\$ 3,402,139.00	\$ -	\$ 3,402,139.00
2502.050000.000	Energy Programs	Energy Programs	\$ -	\$ 377,280.00	\$ 1,207,992.00	\$ 1,585,271.00	\$ -	\$ 1,351,296.00	\$ -	\$ 1,351,296.00
2503.100000.000	Radioactive Waste	Radioactive Waste	\$ -	\$ 202,250.00	\$ -	\$ 202,250.00	\$ -	\$ 226,534.00	\$ -	\$ 226,534.00
3004.050000.000	Statewide Broadband Office	Statewide Broadband Office	\$ 1,233,296.00	\$ -	\$ 53,215,228.00	\$ 54,448,524.00	\$ 2,694,961.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,694,961.00
9500.050000.000	State Employer Contributions	State Employer Contributions	\$ 337,821.00	\$ 2,361,276.00	\$ 565,281.00	\$ 3,264,381.00	\$ 358,046.00	\$ 2,476,136.00	\$ 186,943.00	\$ 3,021,125.00
1800.000000.000	ORS Programs (FY22 Santee Cooper Actuals)	ORS Programs (FY22 Santee Cooper Actuals)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3502.050000.000	FY23 Santee Cooper	FY23 Santee Cooper	\$ -	\$ 387,455.00	\$ -	\$ 387,455.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000.00
9821.050000X000	Proviso 73.6	CARES II	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
9822.070000X000	Power Grid Study	Power Grid Study	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

State Funded Program No.	State Funded Program Title	Description of State Funded Program	(Actual) General	(Actual) Other	(Actual) Federal	(Actual) Total	(Projected) General2	(Projected) Other	(Projected) Federal4	(Projected) Total
9824.080000X000	Electricity Market Reform Study	Electricity Market Reform Study	-	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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Legal Data

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Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
48-46-30	State	Statute	Definitions	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
48-46-40	State	Statute	Fees for disposal of regional and nonregional radioactive waste in regional disposal facilities; disposition of fees; Higher Education Scholarship Grants.	Requires a service	ORS Shall approve disposal rates for low-level radioactive waste disposed at any regional disposal facility located within the State; ORS shall adopt a maximum uniform rate schedule for regional generators combining disposal rates.	No Change
58-27-10	State	Statute	Definitions.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-100	State	Statute	Effect of chapter on municipal police regulations and ordinances.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1000	State	Statute	Charges for electricity established by municipal contract or franchise.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-1010	State	Statute	Commission shall not regulate contracts made by municipalities.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1020	State	Statute	Capitalization for rate-making purposes.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1030	State	Statute	Sales of appliances shall not be considered in rate making.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1040	State	Statute	Certain sections cumulative.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1050	State	Statute	Distributed energy resources; report required.	Report our agency must/may provide	ORS must investigate and report to the Commission re: DER by 12/31/15.	No Change
58-27-110	State	Statute	Effect of chapter on interstate commerce.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-120	State	Statute	Effect of chapter on duties declared in Broad River case.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1210	State	Statute	Extension of facilities; commission approval.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1220	State	Statute	Extensions by municipalities.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1230	State	Statute	Certificate of public convenience and necessity shall be obtained prior to construction, operation or extension of system; exceptions.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1240	State	Statute	Prerequisites to issuance of certificate.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1250	State	Statute	Issuance or refusal of certificate or modified certificate.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-1260	State	Statute	Order preliminary to issuance of certificate.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1270	State	Statute	Cease and desist order when construction or operation proceeds in absence of certificate.	Requires a service	ORS may file a petition with the Commission for cease & desist when utility constructing or operating without a certificate.	No Change
58-27-1280	State	Statute	Order where construction or extension causes unreasonable interference.	Requires a service	ORS may petition re: utility construction or extension that causes unreasonable interference.	No Change
58-27-1290	State	Statute	Abandonment of service.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-130	State	Statute	Condemnation powers of electric companies, State authorities and electric cooperatives.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1300	State	Statute	Disposition of properties, powers, franchises or privileges; certain out-of-state property may be sold.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-1310	State	Statute	Lease of property and franchises.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1320	State	Statute	Municipality may purchase property operated under indeterminate permit.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1330	State	Statute	Notice of municipality's intent to acquire property of utility.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1340	State	Statute	Determination of just compensation for purchase of electrical utility.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1350	State	Statute	Payment of compensation and transfer of property after approval in municipal election.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1360	State	Statute	Acquisition of property of supplier of electricity when area annexed to or incorporated as municipality.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-140	State	Statute	General powers of Commission.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-150	State	Statute	Promulgation of rules and regulations.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1510	State	Statute	Service shall be adequate, efficient and reasonable.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1520	State	Statute	Ordering improvement of service.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1530	State	Statute	Certain wires shall not be erected near public road.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1540	State	Statute	System of accounts.	Requires a service	ORS may establish a system of accounts that the utilities must adhere to.	No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-1550	State	Statute	Annual depreciation; depreciation reserve.	Requires a service	If ORS deems reserve to be excessive, may petition the Commission for order re: credits to the reserve.	No Change
58-27-1560	State	Statute	Office of utility; removal of books and papers from State.	Requires a service	ORS may allow books and records to be kept/taken out of state.	No Change
58-27-1570	State	Statute	Production of books and records.	Requires a service	ORS may request production of any books, records, etc, and examine them.	No Change
58-27-1580	State	Statute	Furnishing information and reports; forms.	Requires a service	ORS may request materials from the utilities.	No Change
58-27-1590	State	Statute	Meters to measure electricity going into or out of State; records and reports.	Requires a service	ORS may examine records and reports of meter readings.	No Change
58-27-160	State	Statute	Investigation and examination of condition and management of utility.	Requires a service	ORS may investigate and examine condition and management of electrical utilities or any particular utility.	No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-170	State	Statute	Joint hearings and joint or concurrent orders; joint investigations.	Requires a service	ORS may make joint investigations with any board or commission of any state or of the United States.	No Change
58-27-1710	State	Statute	Securities shall not be issued without approval of Commission; exceptions.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1720	State	Statute	Application for approval.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1730	State	Statute	Investigation and hearing as to value of issue of securities; certificate of authority.	Requires a service	ORS may investigate issuance of securities.	No Change
58-27-1740	State	Statute	Limitation of amount and use of proceeds of issue.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1750	State	Statute	Certain sales of securities by or to employees prohibited.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-1760	State	Statute	Permissible sales of securities to employees.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-180	State	Statute	Valuations and revaluations of property of utilities.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-190	State	Statute	Inspection of property; audit of books; examination of employees of utilities.	Requires a service	ORS has the right to inspect the facilities and books/records; ORS may enter premises; ORS may depose utility officers, agents, etc.	No Change
58-27-1910	State	Statute	Promulgation of rules governing pleadings, practice and procedure.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1920	State	Statute	Rules governing hearings and proceedings.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1930	State	Statute	Additional hearings; notice.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

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58-27-1940	State	Statute	Petition alleging improper act by electrical utility.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1950	State	Statute	Service of copy of complaint.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1960	State	Statute	Issuance and service of subpoenas and other process.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1970	State	Statute	Service of pleadings and notices.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1980	State	Statute	Time, place and notice of hearing.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-1990	State	Statute	Dismissal of petition without hearing.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-20	State	Statute	Chapter inapplicable to certain areas.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-200	State	Statute	Inspection of tax returns and other information.	Requires a service	ORS may inspect tax returns and other documentation.	No Change
58-27-2000	State	Statute	Administration of oaths; examination of witnesses; certification of official acts.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2010	State	Statute	Contempt proceedings.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2020	State	Statute	Hearing before one or more commissioners.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2030	State	Statute	Employment and duties of special agent or examiner.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-2040	State	Statute	Persons entitled to be heard at hearing and to introduce evidence.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2050	State	Statute	Depositions.	Requires a service	ORS may depose witnesses.	No Change
58-27-2060	State	Statute	Self-incrimination; immunity from prosecution.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2070	State	Statute	Copies of official documents and orders as evidence.	Requires a service	ORS may charge for furnishing copies of documents.	No Change
58-27-2080	State	Statute	Compensation of witnesses.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2090	State	Statute	Charges by affiliated interests.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-210	State	Statute	Actions to prevent or discontinue violations of law or orders of Commission.	Requires a service	ORS must prosecute when a utility violates any applicable law or Commission Order.	No Change
58-27-2100	State	Statute	Findings and orders of Commission.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2110	State	Statute	Service of orders on parties.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2120	State	Statute	Effective date of orders.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2130	State	Statute	Rescission or amendment of orders or decisions.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2140	State	Statute	Records of proceedings shall be kept.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

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58-27-2150	State	Statute	Rehearings.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-220	State	Statute	Enforcement and administration of chapter.	Requires a service	ORS must enforce this chapter.	No Change
58-27-230	State	Statute	Exercise of other powers of Commission not excluded.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2310	State	Statute	Action to vacate order of commission; limitations.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2320	State	Statute	Stay or suspension of Commission's order pending review.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2340	State	Statute	Burden of proof shall be on complainant.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-240	State	Statute	Construction of South Carolina Rural Development Act of 1996.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2410	State	Statute	General penalty.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2420	State	Statute	Every violation shall constitute a separate offense.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2430	State	Statute	Penalties shall be cumulative; suit for one penalty shall not bar another suit.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2440	State	Statute	Actions to recover penalties.	Requires a service	ORS must prosecute actions to recover penalties.	No Change
58-27-2450	State	Statute	Principals responsible for act of agents.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-2460	State	Statute	Penalties not applicable to municipality but to officers, agents or employees personally.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-250	State	Statute	Restrictions on interruption of electric service to residential customer for nonpayment of bill; exceptions.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2510	State	Statute	Definitions.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2520	State	Statute	Termination procedures; contents.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2530	State	Statute	Third-party notification program.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2540	State	Statute	Disconnection when public safety emergency exists.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-255	State	Statute	Coal combustion residuals disposal.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2550	State	Statute	Promulgation of regulations.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2560	State	Statute	Private right of action; duty of care.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2600	State	Statute	Definitions.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2610	State	Statute	Lease of renewable electric generation facility.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-2620	State	Statute	Application; approval; updates; investigations; revocation; civil penalties; contested cases.	Requires a service	ORS is authorized to approve applications for certificates permitting lessors to market and lease renewable electric generation facilities to customer-generator lessees. ORS may request information, resolve complaints, etc.	No Change
58-27-2630	State	Statute	Registration of facility; registry; public inspection of registry; report.	Report our agency must/may provide	ORS shall provide forms for facility registration; ORS shall maintain a registry of these facilities; ORS must provide a report to PURC re: review of this program no later than 12/31/16.	No Change
58-27-2640	State	Statute	Investigation of claims of violations.	Requires a service	ORS has the authority to investigate claims of violations of 58-27-2610.	No Change
58-27-2650	State	Statute	Section 58-27-2610 contingently effective.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-2660	State	Statute	Development of consumer protection regulations	Requires a service	ORS is directed to develop consumer protection regulations regarding the sale or lease of renewable energy generation facilities pursuant to the distributed energy resource program in Chapter 40 of this title. These regulations shall provide for the appropriate disclosure provided by sellers and lessors. Sellers must comply with Title 37.	No Change

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58-27-30	State	Statute	Corporations subject to chapter even before commencing operations.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-40	State	Statute	Compliance with orders, decisions, directions, rules and regulations.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-410	State	Statute	Procedure for granting of exclusive municipal franchises to furnish light.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-415	State	Statute	Franchise fee not to be paid or collected under "Stateline Accounts"; calculation of franchise fee.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-420	State	Statute	Franchises and permits shall be indeterminate.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-430	State	Statute	Exchange of old limited permit or franchise for indeterminate permit.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-440	State	Statute	Revocation of indeterminate permit for inadequacy of service.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-450	State	Statute	Continuance of service on expiration of franchise.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-460	State	Statute	Promulgation of standards for interconnection of renewable energy facilities; certain generation activities prohibited.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-50	State	Statute	Assessments on electric utilities to pay expenses of Commission.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-610	State	Statute	Definitions.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-620	State	Statute	Service rights of and restrictions on electric suppliers.	Requires a service	ORS must maintain parcel maps as public records, and prepare maps if parcels are added.	No Change

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58-27-630	State	Statute	Service rights and restrictions in areas within consolidated political subdivisions.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-640	State	Statute	Assignment of service areas.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-650	State	Statute	Reassignment of service areas.	Requires a service	ORS may request a hearing.	No Change
58-27-660	State	Statute	Supplier may furnish service in area served by another.	Requires a service	ORS may request a hearing.	No Change
58-27-670	State	Statute	Service in area becoming part of municipality; premises located within boundaries of electric cooperative or corridor.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-680	State	Statute	Effect of continuation of service.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

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58-27-690	State	Statute	Act 431 of 1984 not affected by Act 173 of 1987.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-70	State	Statute	Employment of staff; suits or actions arising under chapter.	Requires a service	ORS must be the head of suits or actions arising under this chapter.	No Change
58-27-80	State	Statute	Annual report of Commission.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-810	State	Statute	Rates shall be just and reasonable.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-820	State	Statute	Schedule of rates, service rules and regulations and service contracts shall be filed with Commission.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-830	State	Statute	Utility shall not charge rates different from those in schedule.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

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58-27-840	State	Statute	Preferences and unreasonable differences in rates shall not be made; classifications may be established.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-850	State	Statute	Investigation and change of rates by commission.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-860	State	Statute	Proposed rate changes; prior approval.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-865	State	Statute	"Fuel cost" defined; estimated fuel costs; rebuttable presumption; duties of commission.	Requires a service	ORS may request a hearing.	No Change
58-27-870	State	Statute	Commission action on proposed rate changes; refund of excessive charges.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-90	State	Statute	Effect of chapter on constitutional rights and powers of municipalities.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-27-920	State	Statute	Schedule of rates put into effect after preliminary investigation.	Requires a service	ORS may conduct preliminary investigation re: schedule of rates.	No Change
58-27-930	State	Statute	Petition for hearing on change in rates; suspension of new rates pending hearing.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-940	State	Statute	Order confirming, modifying or vacating former order; service; effective date of rate changes.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-950	State	Statute	Petition for hearing as prerequisite to bringing cause of action challenging order.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-960	State	Statute	Reparation orders; suits to enforce.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-970	State	Statute	Participation in profits arising from efficiency.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

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58-27-980	State	Statute	Contracts subject to control and approval of Commission.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-27-990	State	Statute	Contracts with other utilities.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
33-49-150	State	Statute	Establishes ORS' authority and jurisdiction to make inspections, audits and examinations of electric cooperatives.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
48-46-20	State	Statute	Establishes South Carolina as a member of the Atlantic Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact, and to authorize and direct specific processes and procedures that are necessary to implement South Carolina's responsibilities.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
48-52-10	State	Statute	Establishes the South Carolina Energy Efficiency Act	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
48-52-210	State	Statute	Outlines State Energy policy	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change

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48-52-220	State	Statute	Defines renewable energy resources	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
48-52-410	State	Statute	Establishes State Energy Office as principal energy planning entity for the State	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
48-52-420	State	Statute	Establishes the Duties of the State Energy Office	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
48-52-430	State	Statute	Energy Office must submit a state energy action plan annually	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
48-52-435	State	Statute	Agencies must have Energy Office approval before expending funds on studies investigating alternative energy usage or conservation measures	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
48-52-440	State	Statute	Energy Office will receive all Federal funding for energy planning, efficiency and conservation except for LIHEAP and Weatherization funding; establishes Energy Advisor Council, distribution of grant funds	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change

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48-52-450	State	Statute	Where possible, Energy Office will encourage consolidating other offices or programs in state government related to energy, energy efficiency and reliability	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
48-52-460	State	Statute	Energy Office will be evaluated for best placement in the event of state government reorganization or restructuring takes place	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
48-52-470	State	Statute	Establishes funding for the Energy Office	Funding agency deliverable(s)		No Change
48-52-610	State	Statute	Energy efficient code standards for state-owned and leased buildings	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
48-52-620	State	Statute	State agencies and school districts must submit energy conservation reports to the Energy Office; Energy Office compiles all reports and submits annually to the General Assembly	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
48-52-630	State	Statute	An agency's budget will not be reduced by the full amount of money saved through energy conservation measures	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

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48-52-635	State	Statute	Agency will carryforward and retain savings realized from energy conservation measures	Requires a service	Certify savings.	No Change
48-52-640	State	Statute	Energy Office can certify energy products marketed to the State making claims of energy conservation; agencies not purchasing Energy Office certified products must provide an explanation in writing to the Energy Office	Requires a service	Review and certification of products marketed as energy conservation products.	No Change
48-52-650	State	Statute	Directs Energy Office to establish a revolving loan fund for energy conservation measures	Distribute funding to another entity		No Change
48-52-660	State	Statute	Lease purchase agreements for energy efficiency products	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
48-52-670	State	Statute	Guaranteed energy, water, or wastewater savings contracts - agencies may request Energy Office reviews of contract methodologies and make recommendations/notices in writing	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
48-52-680	State	Statute	Energy Office assist MMO, State Engineers Office, and Dept of Administration information, review of specs, and technical assistance	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change

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48-52-800	State	Statute	Citation of article	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
48-52-810	State	Statute	Definitions for Energy Independence and Sustainable Construction Act	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
48-52-820	State	Statute	Promoting energy efficiency and environmental standards for buildings - SFAA	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
48-52-825	State	Statute	Green Building Council standards	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
48-52-827	State	Statute	Certain projects not allowed to seek rating credit or point for building product disclosure	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
48-52-830	State	Statute	Establishes certification standards to be administered by SFAA	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change

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48-52-840	State	Statute	LEED rating system and SFAA	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
48-52-850	State	Statute	Green Globes rating system and SFAA	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
48-52-860	State	Statute	SFAA report to General Assembly	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
48-52-865	State	Statute	Establishes Energy Independence and Sustainable Construction Advisory Committee, defines duties and membership	Board, commission, or committee on which someone from our agency must/may serve		No Change
48-52-870	State	Statute	Establishes Energy Efficient Manufactured Homes Incentive Program and directs Energy Office to develop tax credit applications and administer tax credits, track and report on fiscal and energy impacts of the program	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
48-52-910	State	Statute	Agencies must have energy audits performed by internal or external auditors and submit results of the audits and recommendations to the Energy Office	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change

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49-CFR-178-199	Federal		Pipeline Safety - the minimum standards for which ORS operates. ORS follows SC 58-5 if the requirements are greater than federal law.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
49-CFR-209-299	Federal		FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Regulations	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-17- 10 et seq.	State	Statute	The General Railroad Law - preempted by Federal Rail Safety Act	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
58-23-10	State	Statute	Definitions and terms for Motor Vehicle Carriers	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-23-100	State	Statute	Certificate holders are not allowed to transfer property during the pendency of an action for damage	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-23-1080	State	Statute	Instructs ORS to furnish distinguishing plate or marker upon receipt of authorizing the motor vehicle carrier to operate and upon payment.	Requires a service	The Office of Regulatory Staff, upon the presentation of a certificate authorizing the motor vehicle carrier to operate and upon payment of the proper license, may furnish the motor vehicle carrier with a distinguishing plate or marker.	No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-23-110	State	Statute	Establishes laws over motor carrier transportation contracts	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-23-1110	State	Statute	Definitions for Article 12 - Safety Regulations	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-23-1120	State	Statute	Authorizes ORS to employ necessary law enforcement personnel to enforce provisions applicable to holders of the class certificates.	Requires a service	The Office of Regulatory Staff may employ the necessary law enforcement personnel to enforce the provisions which apply to holders of certificates A, B, C, and certificates E and F of Public Convenience and Necessity.	No Change
58-23-1620	State	Statute	Instructs ORS on compliance with article before operation as TNC; application; issuance of TNC permit; request for contested case.	Requires a service		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-23-1640	State	Statute	Safety inspection of TNC vehicle; display of license plate number; violations; penalties.	Requires a service	A TNC vehicle must display a consistent and distinctive signage or emblem, which must be known as a trade dress, at all times when the TNC driver is active on the TNC digital platform or providing TNC service. The trade dress used by the TNC must be approved by the Office of Regulatory Staff before its use; The Office of Regulatory Staff may conduct inspections of TNC vehicles.	No Change
58-23-1680	State	Statute	ORS may revoke a TNC permit if the TNC has made misrepresentation of a material fact in obtaining the TNC permit, or, in the opinion of ORS, has failed to comply with the requirements in this article. TNC are subject to the investigatory powers provide in Sections 58-4-50 & 58-4-55 to the Office of Regulatory Staff.	Requires a service	The Office of Regulatory Staff may revoke a TNC permit if the TNC has made misrepresentation of a material fact in obtaining the TNC permit or, in the opinion of the Office of Regulatory Staff, has failed to comply with the requirements in this article; (F) The Office of Regulatory Staff is authorized to require regular updating of information required from a TNC under this article.	No Change
58-23-1690	State	Statute	Establishes ORS' authority to assess each TNC and annual fee.	Requires a service	The Office of Regulatory Staff may assess each TNC an annual fee in an amount necessary to permit the Office of Regulatory Staff to carry out the requirements of this article.	No Change
58-23-1700	State	Statute	Establishes ORS' local assessment fee to be retained.	Requires a service		No Change

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58-23-20	State	Statute	Establishes regulation of motor vehicle carriers transporting persons or property for compensation	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-23-210	State	Statute	Establishes the classes of certificates ORS may issue.	Requires a service	The Office of Regulatory Staff, upon order of the commission, may issue six classes of certificates as are mentioned in Section 58-23-40 after application therefor has been made in writing by the owner of the vehicles upon blanks provided by the commission and after such hearing as the commission may consider proper.	No Change
58-23-210	State	Statute	Establishes classes of certificates for motor vehicle carriers, application for certificates, and revocation of certificates	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-23-220	State	Statute	Establishes the criteria for Class A certificates.	Requires a service	The Office of Regulatory Staff, upon order of the commission, may issue a certificate A	No Change
58-23-230	State	Statute	Establishes the criteria for Class B certificates.	Requires a service	The Office of Regulatory Staff, upon order of the commission, may issue a certificate B	No Change
58-23-240	State	Statute	Establishes the criteria for Class C certificates.	Requires a service	The Office of Regulatory Staff, upon order of the commission, may issue a certificate C	No Change

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58-23-25	State	Statute	Establishes PSC's motor carrier regulatory authority	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-23-250	State	Statute	Establishes the criteria for Class D certificates.	Requires a service	The Office of Regulatory Staff, upon order of the commission, may issue a certificate D	No Change
58-23-260	State	Statute	Establishes the criteria for Class E certificates.	Requires a service	The Office of Regulatory Staff, upon order of the commission, may issue a certificate E	No Change
58-23-270	State	Statute	Establishes the criteria for Class F certificates.	Requires a service	The Office of Regulatory Staff, upon order of the commission, may issue a certificate F	No Change
58-23-30	State	Statute	Defines "for compensation" related to motor vehicle carriers	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-23-40	State	Statute	Establishes law requiring motor vehicle carriers to obtain a certificate and pay fees to ORS before operating in SC	Funding agency deliverable(s)		No Change
58-23-50	State	Statute	Establishes exceptions to transportation providers subject to regulation	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-23-510	State	Statute	Establishes criteria for annual license applications.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-23-530	State	Statute	License fees for class A certificate holders having twenty or more vehicles.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-23-550	State	Statute	License fees for class B certificate holders having twenty or more vehicles.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-23-560	State	Statute	License fees for class A, B, or C certificate holders having less than twenty vehicles	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-23-590	State	Statute	Authorizes ORS to establish an Office of Compliance for carriers of household goods and hazardous waste for disposal. Authorizes ORS to employ staff to administer and enforce provisions of this chapter.	Requires a service	The Office of Regulatory Staff is authorized to establish a Transportation Division to carry out its responsibilities and may assess the carriers of household goods and hazardous waste for disposal fees necessary to fund this office and to carry out its responsibilities. The Office of Regulatory Staff is authorized to employ necessary personnel to administer and enforce the provisions of this chapter as they apply to carriers of household goods and hazardous waste for disposal.	No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-23-60	State	Statute	Establishes exceptions to transportation business within certain areas	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-23-630	State	Statute	Instructs ORS on handling of license fees received.	Requires a service	All license fees for the operation of motor vehicles for hire collected by the Office of Regulatory Staff pursuant to the provisions of this article must be deposited in the State Treasury and there shall be transferred from such collections to the general fund of the State so much as is estimated to cover the costs of administration and collection of such fees.	No Change
58-23-70	State	Statute	Exempts the use or hiring of any motor vehicle for making a particular trip when the owner of such vehicle does not make such transportation a business	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-23-80	State	Statute	Establishes penalties for motor vehicle carriers subject to regulation when found in violation of statute	Funding agency deliverable(s)		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-23-910	State	Statute	Establishes ORS' role in receiving documents required for certificate holders.	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-4-10	State	Statute	Establishes ORS as the state agency charged with representing the public interest in regulated utility matters before state and federal agencies and courts.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
58-4-50	State	Statute	Investigate, review, and make recommendations regarding complaints, utility service, billing, and other issues concerning regulated utilities.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
58-5-10 et seq.	State	Statute	Gas, Heat, Water, Sewerage Collection and Disposal, and Street Railway Companies. The South Carolina Gas Safety Act of 1970 (the "Act"), S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-970 (2015), authorizes the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") "to adopt and enforce the minimum federal safety standards for the transportation of gas and pipeline facilities established by the Secretary of Transportation pursuant to Section 3 (b) of the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act of 1968 (P.L. 90 481) [49 U.S.C. Section 1672 (b)], as may be amended from time to time."	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
58-5-10 et seq.			Investigate, review and make recommendations concerning regulated water/wastewater and gas matters.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-5-400	State	Statute	Natural Gas Rate Stabilization Act	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change
58-9-10 et seq.	State	Statute	Administer the State Universal Service Fund and ensure telephone utilities are in compliance, enforce motor carrier compliance, and represent the public interest in water/wastewater rate cases and proceedings.Administer and promote a statewide program to provide telephone access to persons who are speech or hearing impaired.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
58-9-20	State	Statute	Corporations formed to acquire property or transact business subject to Articles 1-13	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-9-2510	State	Statute	Definitions of terms for Telephone Service for Hearing and Speech Impaired Persons	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-9-2515	State	Statute	Denotes Public Service Commission jurisdiction	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-9-2520	State	Statute	Directs ORS to administer the Dual Party Relay program	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change

Law number	Jurisdiction	Type	Description	Purpose the law serves:	Notes:	Changes made during FY2024
58-9-2530	State	Statute	Establishes right to charge fee for Dual Party Relay and use the fees collected in the program	Funding agency deliverable(s)		No Change
58-9-2535	State	Statute	Establishes types of service subject to Dual Party Relay fee, collection of fees	Funding agency deliverable(s)		No Change
58-9-2550	State	Statute	Allows ORS to establish and administer the Equipment Distribution Program	Requires a service	Equipment to aid hearing and speech impaired individuals with communications services.	No Change
58-9-280	State	Statute	Telephone utilities must seek a certificate of public convenience and necessity prior to construction, operation or extension of plant or system	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-9-30	State	Statute	No impairment of rights, powers and priveleges of municipalities grantd under the Constitution	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
58-9-40	State	Statute	Municipal police regulations and ordinances are not affected	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change

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58-9-50	State	Statute	ORS does not have jurisdiction over inter-state commerce	Requires a manner of delivery		No Change
Act 135, Section 11	State	Regulation	Establishes ORS' authority to review monthly Santee Cooper to determine if activities during the Review Period were in violation of Subsection E of Act 135, Section 11.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
Act 142	State	Regulation	A resolution authorizing the expenditure of federal funds disbursed to the state in the CARES Act.	Requires a service	ORS must procure hotspots for public and private learning institutions and expand broadband infrastructure.	No Change
H.3720	State	Statute	State Appropriations Act/State Fiscal Accountability Authority	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
58-27-270	State	Statute	Requires ORS to complete a stakeholder process to explore opportunities to advance electrification of the transportation sector, along with identifying challenges associated with the advancement of electrification of the transportation sector.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
Act 17, Section 2	State	Statute	Requires the Director of ORS to serve on the South Carolina Emergency Rental Assistance Program Advisory Panel	Not related to agency deliverable		No Change

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58-31-730	State	Statute	ORS must review any rate adjustments proposed by the Public Service Authority's Board and provide a report to the Board.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
58-31-740	State	Statute	ORS must review the pricing report submitted by the Public Service Authority annually.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
58-31-225	State	Statute	ORS is granted the authority to make inspections, audits, and examinations of the Public Service Authority relating to the electric rates established by the Authority. Upon completion of an authorized inspection, audit, or examination, the Office of Regulatory Staff must report its findings to the management and board of the Public Service Authority.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
58-4-51	State	Statute	Executive Director of ORS may review, investigate, and make recommendations with respect to the rates charged or proposed to be charged, to the appropriate entity, regarding electric service and rates of the Public Service Authority	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
58-27-190	State	Statute	ORS may inspect the facilities of the Public Service Authority.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change

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58-37-40 (D) (2)	State	Statute	Requires ORS to review and comment on the annual update to each utility's integrated resource plan.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
33-49-160	State	Statute	Requires ORS to report findings of investigations of certain electric cooperative associations.	Report our agency must/may provide		No Change
Act 244, H4408 (124th Session, 2021-2022)	State	Statute	American Rescue Plan authorizations	Distribute finding to another entity		No Change
58-41-20	State	Statute	Public Utilities, Services and Carriers	Not related to agency deliverable.		No Change
58-27-1100	State	Statute	Storm Securitization	Not related to agency deliverable.		No Change

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Services Data

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Description of Service	Description of Direct Customer	Customer Name	Others Impacted by Service	Division or major organizational unit providing the service.	Description of division or major organizational unit providing the service.	Primary negative impact if service not provided.	Changes made to services during FY2024	Summary of changes to services
Develop a Plan for State Energy Policy.	Executive Branch/State Agencies	Various	Energy customers	Energy Office	This division is responsible for serving as the principle planning entity for the state.	Lack of statewide energy planning and policy development.	No Change	
Distribute funds in compliance with federal law for energy related programs with the advice of the Energy Advisory Council.	Local Governments	Various	SC citizens	Energy Office	With some exceptions, this division is responsible for federal funds allocated to the State for energy planning, energy conservation, transportation and energy efficiency.	Local governments may not adopt energy efficiency and cost saving measures due to lack of funding. Possible increase in local taxes due to increased costs.	No Change	
Distribute funds in compliance with federal law for energy related programs with the advice of the Energy Advisory Council.	Local Governments	Various	SC citizens	Energy Office	With some exceptions, this division is responsible for federal funds allocated to the State for energy planning, energy conservation, transportation and energy efficiency.	Local governments may not adopt energy efficiency and cost saving measures due to lack of funding. Possible increase in local taxes due to increased costs.	No Change	
Distribute funds in compliance with federal law for energy related programs with the advice of the Energy Advisory Council.	For profit companies such as boat manufacturers, car dealerships, etc	Various	Customers of business	Energy Office	With some exceptions, this division is responsible for federal funds allocated to the State for energy planning, energy conservation, transportation and energy efficiency.	Companies may not adopt energy efficiency and cost saving measures due to lack of funding. Cost of goods may increase.	No Change	
Review and monitor annual energy conservation reports and provide a report to the General Assembly on progress towards the goal by Dec. 31st each year.	State Agencies and School Districts	Various	SC students and taxpayers	Energy Office	This division is responsible for assisting state agencies and public school districts in meeting the goal of reducing energy consumption by 20% by 2020.	Goal would not be met and data would not be collected.	No Change	

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Provide access to telephone relay service and specialized telecommunications equipment for the hearing/speech impaired.	Persons who are qualified by an audiologist/medical professional as having a hearing/speech impairment.	Various	Audiologist, medical professionals, SC citizens	Telecommunications Relay/EDP	This division is responsible for administering and promoting a statewide program to provide telephone access to persons who are speech or hearing impaired.	Fewer communication options for hearing/speech impaired	No Change	
Provides support for closed captioning of the General Assembly.	Persons who have a hearing/speech impairment.	Various	SC General Assembly	Telecommunications Relay/EDP	This division is responsible for administering and promoting a statewide program to provide telephone access to persons who are speech or hearing impaired.	Fewer communication options for hearing/speech impaired	No Change	
Provides support for closed captioning of the General Assembly.	Persons who have a hearing/speech impairment.	Various	SC General Assembly	Telecommunications Relay/EDP	This division is responsible for administering and promoting a statewide program to provide telephone access to persons who are speech or hearing impaired.	Fewer communication options for hearing/speech impaired	No Change	
Provides support for real time closed captioning of local news broadcasts.	Persons who have a hearing/speech impairment.	Various	Local TV stations	Telecommunications Relay/EDP	This division is responsible for administering and promoting a statewide program to provide telephone access to persons who are speech or hearing impaired.	Fewer communication options for hearing/speech impaired	No Change	

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Review tariff filings and requests for authority to operate as a telephone utility.	Competitive Local Exchange Carriers; Carriers of Last Resort; Interexchange Carriers; Payphone Providers; Inmate Services Providers	Various	SC customers	Telecommunications Dept.	This division has responsibility over regulated telecommunications services.	Non-compliance with state law and regulations.	No Change	
Provide access to telephone relay service and specialized telecommunications equipment for the hearing/speech impaired. State Lifeline support available to ILEC consumers qualified under Federal Lifeline program.	Persons who have a hearing/speech impairment.	Various	Low income SC customers	Telecommunications Dept.	This division administers the SC State Universal Service Fundand the Dual Party Relay Fund.	Fewer communication options for hearing/speech impaired	No Change	
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Provide customers the information they need and the protections afforded by law.	Provides all members of the public assurance that the regulated motor carrier has legally required insurance and meets other mandated regulatory requirements that safeguard the public.	Various		Transportation	This division enforces Title 58, Chapter 23 Motor Carrier regulations and laws for passenger vehicles, Household Goods movers, and Hazardous Waste Disposal Carriers.	Reduced compliance by carriers, increasing safety concerns for the traveling public	No Change	

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Provide the regulated motor carriers with assistance in complying with laws and regulations.	All passenger vehicles (taxis, limos, Uber), household goods movers (intrastate only), and hazardous waste (intrastate only).	Various		Transportation	This division enforces Title 58, Chapter 23 Motor Carrier regulations and laws for passenger vehicles, Household Goods movers, and Hazardous Waste Disposal Carriers.	Reduced compliance by carriers, increasing safety concerns for the traveling public	No Change	
Provide the regulated motor carriers with assistance in complying with laws and regulations.	Tariff Bureau	Various		Transportation	This division enforces Title 58, Chapter 23 Motor Carrier regulations and laws for passenger vehicles, Household Goods movers, and Hazardous Waste Disposal Carriers.	Reduced compliance by carriers, increasing safety concerns for the traveling public	No Change	
Provide a no-cost forum for consumers to obtain information and to resolve disputes with their utility provider.	All classes of customers (residential, business, and industrial).	Various		Consumer Services	This division is responsible for handling consumer complaints and inquiries related to regulated utilities.	Limited recourse/outlet for consumer issues	No Change	
Provide a no-cost forum for consumers to obtain information and to resolve disputes with their utility provider.	All classes of customers (residential, business, and industrial).	Various		Consumer Services	This division is responsible for handling consumer complaints and inquiries related to regulated utilities.	Limited recourse/outlet for consumer issues	No Change	
Provide a no-cost forum for consumers to obtain information and to resolve disputes with their utility provider.	All classes of customers (residential, business, and industrial).	Various		Consumer Services	This division is responsible for handling consumer complaints and inquiries related to regulated utilities.	Limited recourse/outlet for consumer issues	No Change	

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Represent the public interest in regulated utility matters before the Commission.	All classes of customers (residential, business, and industrial).	Various		Utility Rates and Services	This division is responsible for reviewing requests that impact customers utility rates (electric, gas, water/wastewater). This division also reviews filings that impact economic growth and development.	No oversight of the preservation of continued investment in and maintenance of utility facilities so as to provide reliable and high-quality utility services.	No Change	
Represent the public interest before the Commission such that adequate and reliable utility services are provided.	All classes of customers (residential, business, and industrial).	Various		Utility Rates and Services	This division is responsible for enforcing required reporting and Commission orders, rules and regulations.	No oversight of the preservation of continued investment in and maintenance of utility facilities so as to provide reliable and high-quality utility services.	No Change	
Represent the public interest before the Commission such that adequate and reliable utility services are provided.	All regulated investor owned electric, gas, and water/wastewater utilities.	Various		Utility Rates and Services	This division is responsible for enforcing required reporting and Commission orders, rules and regulations.	No oversight of the preservation of continued investment in and maintenance of utility facilities so as to provide reliable and high-quality utility services.	No Change	
Remove nonallowables so that rates are established based upon proper regulatory accounting principles.	All classes of customers.	Various		Audit	This division audits, examines and investigates filings by regulated entities.	Higher utility rates for the general public	No Change	
Remove nonallowables so that rates are established based upon proper regulatory accounting principles.	All regulated telecommunications providers; all regulated motor carriers; and all regulated investor owned electric, gas and water/wastewater utilities.	Various		Audit	This division audits, examines and investigates filings by regulated entities.	Higher utility rates for the general public	No Change	

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Enforce the provisions of the SC Gas Safety Act in cooperation with PHMSA. Enforces Federal Railroad Administration Guidelines.	Natural Gas pipeline entities and Railroads (note some natural gas entities are municipal).	Various		Safety	This division coordinates with federal agencies (Federal Railroad Administration and PHMSA) for rail and natural gas pipeline safety.	Reduced compliance by natural gas utilities and railroads. Increased fatalities and accidents.	No Change	
Enforce the provisions of the SC Gas Safety Act in cooperation with PHMSA. Enforces Federal Railroad Administration Guidelines.	Members of the public who could be impacted by natural gas pipeline safety.	Various		Safety	This division coordinates with federal agencies (Federal Railroad Administration and PHMSA) for rail and natural gas pipeline safety.	Reduced compliance by natural gas utilities and railroads. Increased fatalities and accidents.	No Change	
Examine and report on track and operating practices (RailRoad Report Due Annually).	Legislative Branch	Various		Safety	This division coordinates with federal agencies (Federal Railroad Administration and PHMSA) for rail and natural gas pipeline safety.	General Assembly may lack awareness and data.	No Change	
Assess the extent of damage of energy systems and provide information to EMD and the Governor; coordinate, monitor and report the restoration of energy systems; coordinate consumer fuel operations during emergencies.	Members of the public who are impacted by emergencies or natural disasters.	Various	SC energy providers	Emergency Response	This division coordinates with electric and natural gas utilities, petroleum suppliers, South Carolina Emergency Management Division, County Governments and other state agencies to ensure restoration of energy systems and provision of petroleum products during emergencies and natural disasters.	Lack of consumer fuel availability during evacuations. Delay in restoration of energy services.	No Change	
Provide a no-cost forum for residential consumers to resolve disputes with the electric cooperatives related to non-payment.	Residential customers	Various		Utility Rates and Services	This division is responsible for enforcing required reporting and Commission orders, rules and regulations.	Limited recourse/outlet for consumer issues	No Change	

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Perform inspections, audits and examinations of electric cooperatives in accordance with 33-49-150	Electric cooperatives and their membership	Various		Audit	This division audits, examines and investigates filings by regulated entities.	Possible non-compliance of electric cooperatives with the provisions of Sections 33-49-255, 33-49-280, 33-49-420, 33-49-430, 33-49-440, 33-49-450, 33-49-610, 33-49-615, 33-49-620, 33-49-625, 33-49-630, 33-49-640, 33-49-645, 33-49-1410, 33-49-1420, 33-49-1430, 33-49-1440, 58-27-820, 58-27-840 and 58-9-3030/3050/	No Change	
Represent the public interest before the Commission and the Santee Cooper Board of Directors.	All classes of customers (residential, business, and industrial).	Various		Utility Rates and Services	This division is responsible for enforcing required reporting and Commission orders, rules and regulations.	No oversight of the preservation of continued investment in and maintenance of utility facilities so as to provide reliable and high-quality utility services.	No Change	Law enacted in 2021. Act 90 https://www.scstatehouse.gov/ses124_2021-2022/bills/3194.htm
Serve as the central broadband planning body for South Carolina and coordinates with federal, state, regional, local, and private entities, to the extent practicable, to encourage the continued development of access to broadband. Act as a central resource to collect and publish information about state and federal programs to fund broadband expansion and helps maximize resources by coordinating with other state and federal programs.	All South Carolina broadband consumers.	Various	Economic development, education and medical providers	Broadband Office	This Office is responsible for the central planning for access to broadband.	Broadband deployment is delayed and inefficient.	No Change	The Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Appropriations Act establishes the basis for broadband expansion in South Carolina by creating the Office of Broadband Coordinator within the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS), expanding mapping efforts, and extending funding opportunities to companies that deploy broadband in specific areas of need. Section 73.6-73.7-R060

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Partnerships Data

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Type of Partner Entity	Name of Partner Entity	Description of Partnership	Change to the partnership during the past fiscal year
State Government	North Carolina Utilities Commission- Public Staff	Share information regarding common regulated utilities	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	SisterCare, Inc.	Partner in program that waives utility deposits to qualifying applicants	No Change
Private Business Organization	Pacolet Milliken Enterprises	Focused on economic development and growth in SC	No Change
Private Business Organization	Dominion Electric	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan. Member of the SC Energy Efficiency Roadmap Advisory Committee. Member of the Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition Advisory Board.	No Change
Professional Association	AARP	Partner in addressing issues facing SC seniors in utility matters. Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan. Member of the SC Energy Efficiency Roadmap Advisory Committee.	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	SC Appleseed Legal Justice Center	Partner in addressing issues facing SC low income consumers in utility matters	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	Electric Cooperatives of South Carolina, Inc.	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan. Member of the SC Energy Efficiency Roadmap Advisory Committee. Provides input into utility matters	No Change
State Government	Santee Cooper	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan.	No Change
Professional Association	SCEUC/Kimberly-Clark Corp.	Member of SCEUC, association of industrial customers in SC. Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan. Member of the SC Energy Efficiency Roadmap Advisory Committee.	No Change
Private Business Organization	Evans Power Consulting, Inc.	Consultant to ORS for DSM/EE issues.	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	Savannah River National Lab	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan.	No Change
Local Government	Municipal Association of SC	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan. Member of the SC Energy Efficiency Roadmap Advisory Committee.	No Change

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State Government	SC Dept. Environmental Services	Partner in matters that are under the jurisdiction of the Commission. Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan. Member of the SC Energy Efficiency Roadmap Advisory Committee. Member of the Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition Advisory Board.	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	Southern Environmental Law Center	Provided input into development of Act 236 2.0	No Change
Professional Association	SC Small Business Chamber of Commerce	Partner in utility/energy matters affecting small business	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	The Women's Shelter	Partner representing interests in regulated utility matters	No Change
Private Business Organization	Inteserra Consulting Group (formerly Technologies Management, Inc.)	Provides regulatory support to utilities.	No Change
State Government	Emergency Management Division	Provides support to address utility outages	No Change
State Government	Public Service Commission	Establishes just and reasonable rates for regulated utility services	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	Coastal Conservation League	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan/Act 62.	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	South Carolina Clean Energy Business Alliance	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan/Act 62.	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	South Carolina Solar Business Alliance	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan/Act 62.	No Change
Federal Government	Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Administration (PHMSA)	Provide pipeline safety with guidance on enforcement of federal regulations	No Change
Federal Government	Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)	Provide rail safety with guidance on enforcement of federal regulations	No Change
Private Business Organization	Dixie Pipeline	Provides support to address utility and petroleum related outages	No Change

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Non-Governmental Organization	SC Association of Municipal Power Suppliers	Provides support to address utility and petroleum related outages	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	South Carolina Petroleum Council	Provides support to address utility and petroleum related outages	No Change
Private Business Organization	Colonial Pipeline	Provides support to address utility and petroleum related outages	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	SC Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association	Provides support to address utility and petroleum related outages	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	SC Truckers Association	Provides support to address utility and petroleum related outages	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	SC Restaurant and Lodging Association	Provides support to address utility and petroleum related outages	No Change
Private Business Organization	Gas Buddy	Provides support to address utility and petroleum related outages	No Change
Private Business Organization	Amtrak	Provides support to address utility and petroleum related outages	No Change
Private Business Organization	Wyche Law Firm	Outside counsel to ORS on Duke Appeals	Remove
State Government	South Carolina Department of Natural Resources	Partner in matters that are under the jurisdiction of the Commission. Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan.	No Change
State Government	South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism	Partner in matters that are under the jurisdiction of the Commission. Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Pla and electric vehicle promotion.	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	Conservation Voters of South Carolina	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan.	No Change
State Government	SC Department of Revenue	Issues assessments calculated by ORS to fund ORS, PSC, and PURC; collects payments for assessments, USF and Dual Party Relay point of sale, wireless and VOIP providers and remits to ORS, PSC and PURC appropriately; partner with Energy Office in administering energy tax credits	No Change

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State Government	South Carolina Fire Academy	Trains firefighters to respond to emergencies	No Change
Federal Government	FEMA/Federal ESF 12	Responds to disasters on behalf of US government	No Change
Federal Government	National Emergency Numbering Association	Professional organization focused on 911 technology; policy and education	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	SC Manufacturers Alliance	Provides support to address utility and petroleum related outages	No Change
Private Business Organization	Energy, Environmental and Economics, Inc. (E3)	Consultants to ORS on NEM and Avoided Cost issues	No Change
State Government	SC Assistive Technology Program	Provides support to EDP for like clientele	No Change
Private Business Organization	J. Kennedy and Associates, Inc.	Consultant to ORS on IRP proceedings	No Change
Private Business Organization	Resolve Utility Consulting, PLLC.	Consultant to ORS on Water/Wastewater issues	No Change
Higher Education Institute	Duke University - Nicholas Institute for Environmental Policy Solutions	Lead facilitator of the SC Energy Efficiency Roadmap	No Change
Federal Government	U.S. Department of Energy	Funds the Energy Office and Palmetto Clean Fuels through the State Energy Program and Clean Cities Program, respectively	No Change
Professional Association	National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO)	Professional association of state and territory energy offices. Provides technical assistance upon request.	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	Clean Energy States Alliance (CESA)	Lead facilitator of the "Scaling Up Solar for Under-Resourced Communities" initiative, in which the Energy Office participates	No Change
Non-Governmental Organization	Upstate Forever	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan. Member of the SC Energy Efficiency Roadmap Advisory Committee.	No Change

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Professional Association	Building Industry Association of Central SC	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan. Member of the SC Energy Efficiency Roadmap Advisory Committee.	No Change
Higher Education Institute	Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC)	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan. Member of the SC Energy Efficiency Roadmap Advisory Committee.	No Change
Higher Education Institute	Greenville Technical College	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan. Member of the SC Energy Efficiency Roadmap Advisory Committee.	No Change
State Government	SC Department of Commerce	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan. Member of the SC Energy Efficiency Roadmap Advisory Committee. Partner on broadband infrastructure grants.	No Change
Professional Association	SC Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Alliance	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan.	No Change
Professional Association	SC Solar Council	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan.	No Change
Professional Association	SC Biomass Council	Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan.	No Change
Professional Association	SC Association of Commercial Energy Managers (ASCEM)/Tri-Association	One of SC's three main facility managers organizations. Provides input into activities related to the implementation of the State Energy Plan.	No Change
Professional Association	Commercial Aviation Alternative Fuels Initiative (CAAFI)	Member of the Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition Advisory Board	No Change
Private Business Organization	AmeriGas	Member of the Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition Advisory Board	No Change
Individual	Alan Buck	Member of the Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition Advisory Board	No Change
State Government	State Fleet Management	Member of the Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition Advisory Board	No Change
Higher Education Institute	Clemson University	Member of the Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition Advisory Board	No Change

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State Government	SC Department of Transportation	Member of the Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition Advisory Board	No Change
Private Business Organization	Green Energy Biofuels	Member of the Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition Advisory Board	No Change
Professional Association	SC Propane Gas Association	Member of the Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition Advisory Board	No Change
Private Business Organization	Duke Energy	Member of the Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition Advisory Board	No Change
State Government	SC Housing Authority	ORS serves on the advisory board for the Emergency Rental & Utility Assistance Program	No Change
State Government	Revenue & Fiscal Affairs Office	Broadband Mapping	No Change
Non-Government Organization	SC Association of Counties	Member of the Broadband Advisory Council	No Change
Non-Government Organization	Palmetto Care Connections	Member of the Broadband Advisory Council	No Change
Professional Association	SC Cable Television Association	Member of the Broadband Advisory Council	No Change
State Government	Office of the Governor	Member of the Broadband Advisory Council	No Change
Higher Education Institute	SC State University	Member of the Broadband Advisory Council	No Change
Professional Association	SC Association of Community Economic Development	Member of the Broadband Advisory Council	No Change
State Government	SC Educational TV	Member of the Broadband Advisory Council	No Change

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Non-Government Organization	TogetherSC	Member of the Broadband Advisory Council	No Change
State Government	SC Dept. of Public Safety	Member of the Broadband Advisory Council	No Change
State Government	SC Dept. of Commerce	Member of the Broadband Advisory Council	No Change
Non-Government Organization	SC Council on Competitiveness	Member of the Broadband Advisory Council	No Change
Federal Government	National Telecommunications and Information Administration	Provides funding and policy direction for implementation of federal initiatives.	No Change
Private Business Organization	Ookla	Vendor partnership to provide enhanced mapping data	No Change
Non-Government Organization	Regulatory Assistance Project (RAP)	Consultant services to support Electric Reform Measures Market Study	No Change
Professional Association	National Association of State Consumer Advocates (NASUCA)	Professional association of state and territory consumer advocates. Provides technical assistance upon request.	No Change
State Government	South Carolina Geographic Information Council (RF&A)	Member for support of the State GIS Coordinator position	No Change
Non-Government Organization	Lawrence Berkley National Laboratory	Technical assistance offered through the Department of Energy	No Change
Non-Government Organization	Rocky Mountain Institute	Technical assistance offered through the Department of Energy	No Change
Private Business Organization	Rivian	Partnership to install EV chargers at SC State Parks	No Change
Private Business Organization	Ernst & Young	Vendor partners to prepared the State Broadband Plan	No Change

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State Government	Department of Administration	Partner in GetConnectedSC Roadshow	No Change
State Government	Commission on Minority Affairs	Partner in GetConnectedSC Roadshow	No Change
Private Business Organization	Riggs Partner	Vendor partnership to provide services in GetConnectedSC engagement	No Change
Local Government	SC Council of Governments	Partner in GetConnectedSC Roadshow	No Change
Non-Government Organization	United Way	Partner in GetConnectedSC Roadshow	No Change
Higher Education Institute	Denmark Technical College	Partner in GetConnectedSC Roadshow	No Change
K-12 Education Institute	Barnwell School District	Partner in GetConnectedSC Roadshow	No Change
Local Government	North Charleston Library	Partner in GetConnectedSC Roadshow	No Change
Higher Education Institute	Midlands Technical College	Partner in GetConnectedSC Roadshow	No Change
State Government	South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles	Report for all registered vehicles in South Carolina.	No Change
State Government	South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles	Report for all registered addresses on file in South Carolina.	No Change

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425 Financial Status Report (FSR)		Quarterly reporting is due 30 days after the close of the quarters ending 9/30, 12/30, 3/30 & 6/30, identification of award, reporting period, cash receipt, cash disbursed, federal expenditures, recipient share, program income.	April 2024	Quarterly	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	https://cg.sc.gov/financial-reports/annual-comprehensive-financial-reports-acfrs	No Change	
Accounts Payable Reporting Package		Detail of any amounts owed at June 30 for goods or services that were not paid until the next fiscal year.	September 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://cg.sc.gov/financial-reports/annual-comprehensive-financial-reports-acfrs	No Change	
Affirmative Action Report	Proviso 117.13	Affirmative Action Report to the General Assembly.	October 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Electronic copy available upon request	www.scohr.sc.gov	No Change	
Agency Accountability Report	§1-1-810	The report "must contain the agency's or department's mission, objectives to accomplish the mission, and performance measures that show the degree to which objectives are being met." Agencies must "identify key program area descriptions and expenditures and link these to key financial and performance results measures."	September 2023	Annually	Governor or Lt. Governor AND Legislative entity or entities	Provided to LSA for posting online	https://www.admin.sc.gov/budget/accountability	No Change	
Alternative Fuel Price Report		Quarterly reporting is due 15 days after the close of the quarters ending 9/30, 12/30, 3/30 & 6/30. Includes current prices of alternative fuels - including biodiesel, ethanol, propane, CNG, and LNG - and prices of gasoline and diesel at a sampling of stations	April 2024	Quarterly	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	https://afdc.energy.gov/fuels/prices.html	No Change	
Annual Budget Request		Annual budget for agency with any changes from prior year base amounts.	September 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	DOA - https://admin.sc.gov/budget	No Change	

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Annual Fuel and Petroleum Reduction Report		Process metrics (e.g., GGE offset, idle reduction measures, MPG upgrades, retrofits, vehicle replacements, etc.), outreach activities, grant status, stakeholder engagement, etc.	April 2024	Annually	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	https://afdc.energy.gov/laws	No Change	
Annual state energy action plan		Establishes recommendations for state energy policy and provides relevant statistics about energy use and generation	December 2023	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Available on agency's website	https://energy.sc.gov/files/view/Energy%20Plan%20Update%2021.pdf	No Change	
Annual State Rate Data Request		Each state TRS administrator provides data for the previous calendar year the intrastate traditional TRS, STS, and CTS minutes, number of calls and the rate per minute.	February-23	Annually	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	https://www.fcc.gov/fcc-adopts-trs-rates-and-fund-size-2021-22-trs-fund-year	No Change	
Capital Assets Reporting Package		Detail and summary information on beginning and ending capital asset balances; additions, retirements, impairments or transfer of assets during the fiscal year.	September 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://cg.sc.gov/financial-reports/annual-comprehensive-financial-reports-acfrs	No Change	
Chem-Nuclear Systems Cost Recovery and Adjustment of Allowable Costs	48-46-40 (B) (2) (c)	Examination of costs incurred for the prior year and to establish allowable costs for the succeeding year.	March 2024	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Search?NumberYear=2021&NumberSequence=13&NumberType=5015&IndividualName=&OrganizationName=&Summary=&StartDate=&EndDate=	No Change	
Clean Cities Outreach, Education, and Performance Tracking Project Status and Data Quarterly Report		Quarterly reporting is due 30 days after the close of the quarters ending 9/30, 12/30, 3/30 & 6/30, project objectives and milestones.	July 2023	Quarterly	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	Electronic copy available upon request - aharmon@ors.gov	No Change	
Comprehensive Permanent Improvement Plan	2-47-50	Detail of anticipated permanent improvements as defined in Code Section 2-47-50 for the upcoming fiscal year.	July 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	www.ebo@sc.gov	No Change	

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Demand Side Management Report		Efforts by utilities to reduce customers' energy demand.	December 2023	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Available on agency's website	https://energy.sc.gov/files/view/DSM%20Report_2021.pdf	No Change	
Dominion Energy South Carolina Natural Gas Rate Stabilization Act Report (2019-6-G)		Gas Company adherence to statutory requirements and the implementation of revised rates.	September 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Search?NumberYear=2021&NumberSequence=6&NumberType=5007&IndividualName=&OrganizationName=&Summary=&StartDate=&EndDate=	No Change	
Expert Witness Report		By statute ORS is required to account for compensation & expenses for Expert Witnesses.	December 2023	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Electronic copy available upon request	Electronic copy available upon request - pmcmullian@ors.sc.gov	No Change	
FCC Report on Relay Complaints		Reports to the FCC the complaints received on Relay Service in SC during the year and how they were processed.	July 2023	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	FCC	No Change	
Federal Funding Accountability & Transparency Act (FFATA)		Monthly reporting on subawards, identification of award, prime awardee, subawardee, amount, project description.	October 2023	Monthly	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Subaward Reporting System	No Change	
Federal Program Review Forms		Detail listing by Federal grant for request Federal authorization.	October 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Electronic copy available upon request	Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Subaward Reporting System	No Change	
Fees and Fines Report		Discloses amounts of Fees and Fines collected by ORS Transportation.	August 2023	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Available on agency's website	https://cg.sc.gov/financial-reports/annual-comprehensive-financial-reports-acfrs	No Change	
FHWA Form 571		Decal and Seat Mileage Revenues reported to USDOT.	December 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	SCDOT	No Change	

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Financial Programs and Performance Report		Quarterly reporting is due 30 days after the close of the quarters ending 9/30, 12/30, 3/30 & 6/30, identification of financing program, program size, funds available, financial metrics (funds, outlays, loans/grants, leverage funds) and process metrics.	March 2024	Quarterly	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	www.page.energy.gov	No Change	
Fund Balance Reporting Package		Classification of fund balance amounts by SCEIS fund.	August 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://cg.sc.gov/financial-reports/annual-comprehensive-financial-reports-acfrs	No Change	
Grant and Contribution Revenues Reporting Package		Detail revenues from grants and contributions.	September 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	acfr@cg.sc.gov	No Change	
Information Security and Privacy Survey		Agency's current security and privacy position.	July 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Electronic copy available upon request	Electronic copy available upon request - pmmcullian@ors.sc.gov	No Change	
IT Data Collection and Planning		Any IT or Telecommunications purchasing plans for the next fiscal year.	July 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	Electronic copy available upon request - pmmcullian@ors.sc.gov	No Change	
Litigation Reporting Package		Payments to private attorneys, any threatened, on-going, or settled litigation.	July 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://cg.sc.gov/financial-reports/annual-comprehensive-financial-reports-acfrs	No Change	
Loans Receivable Reporting Package		Beginning and ending loans receivable balances and annual activity.	July 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	acfr@cg.sc.gov	No Change	
Master Reporting Checklist		Questionnaire completed in preparation for State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.	July 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://cg.sc.gov/financial-reports/annual-comprehensive-financial-reports-acfrs	No Change	

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Minority Business Enterprise Utilization Plan		Summarizes ORS' annual goal of utilizing small and minority businesses	July 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Electronic copy available upon request	https://osmba.sc.gov/	No Change	
Minority Business Report		Total dollar value of funds expended, vendor information, and number of solicitations to SMBCC during quarter.	April 2024	Quarterly	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Electronic copy available upon request	https://osmba.sc.gov/	No Change	
Miscellaneous Loss, Loss Liabilities and Commitments Reporting Package		Report any losses, loss liabilities or commitments outstanding at June 30.	August 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	acfr@cg.sc.gov	No Change	
Operating Leases Reporting Package		Information on leases regarding payment increases, terms, cancellations.	August 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://cg.sc.gov/financial-reports/annual-comprehensive-financial-reports-acfrs	No Change	
Organizational Evaluation Performance Measure		Agency performance report.	September 2023	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Hard copy available upon request	www.scstatehouse.gov	No Change	
Organizational Evaluation Summary		Agency performance summary.	September 2023	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Hard copy available upon request	www.scstatehouse.gov	No Change	
ORS's Review of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC Application for Approval of Rider		ORS must review the Company's Application to determine if the DSM/EE Riders are in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth by the Public Service Commission and are based on reasonable estimates of participation in the Company's DSM/EE Programs.	July 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Attachments/Matter/c184de67-5308-4335-a6c2-7c6c239e9988	No Change	

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ORS's Review of Duke Energy Progress, LLC Application for Approval of Rider DSM/EE		ORS must review the Company's Application to determine if the DSM/EE Riders are in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth by the Public Service Commission in Order Nos. 2009-373 and 2015-596 and are based on reasonable estimates of participation in the Company's DSM/EE Programs.	October 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Attachments/Matter/711077bc-acc3-4376-adb7-58b9e074486b	No Change	
ORS's Review of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's Annual Update on Demand Side Management Programs and Petition to Update Rate Rider		ORS must review the Company's Application to determine if the DSM/EE Riders are in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth by the Public Service Commission in Order Nos. 2010-472 and 2013-826.	December 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Attachments/Matter/11d11b88-d0a2-4240-ba8e-36ddb4a914e6	No Change	
Other Funds Survey	2-65-120	Detail report of the actual and anticipated revenue by source.	August 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	www.doa.sc.gov	No Change	
Other Receivables Reporting Package		Accounts receivable balances at June 30 resulting from charges for services or commodities.	August 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	www.doa.sc.gov	No Change	
Performance Summary for Executive Director		Review performance of Executive Director.	Upon Request	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Hard copy available upon request	www.doa.sc.gov	No Change	
PHMSA Program Evaluation		Evaluates ORS Pipeline Safety's enforcement of Federal Pipeline Safety Rules and Regulations.	December 2023	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Tom Allen - tallen@ors.sc.gov	No Change	
PHMSA Progress Report		Evaluates South Carolina's Progress towards Federal Damage Prevention Standards.	December 2023	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Tom Allen - tallen@ors.sc.gov	No Change	

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Piedmont Natural Gas Rate Stabilization Act Report (2019-7-G)		Gas Company adherence to statutory requirements and the implementation of revised rates.	September 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Search?NumberYear=2021&NumberSequence=7&NumberType=5007&IndividualName=&OrganizationName=&Summary=&StartDate=&EndDate=	No Change	
Prepaid Expenses Reporting Package		Detail information on any Agency prepaid expenses for FY2021.	August 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://eg.sc.gov/financial-reports/annual-comprehensive-financial-reports-acfrs	No Change	
Quarterly Accident Summary		# of cars, miles driven, details of accidents for state-owned and agency-owned vehicles.	April 2024	Quarterly	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://admin.sc.gov/fleet	No Change	
Railroad Transportation Activities Annual Report	§ 58-17-140	2006 S.C. Acts No. 318, § 58-17-140 states that ORS must provide an annual report to the General Assembly of its official acts as to the system of railroad transportation.	November 2023	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Available on agency's website	Tom Allen - tallen@ors.sc.gov	No Change	
Report on Implementation of Energy Efficient Manufactured Homes Incentive Program		Use and projected savings resulting from manufactured homes tax credit.	December 2023	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Available on agency's website	https://energy.sc.gov/node/3921	No Change	
Report on the Implementation of State Government Energy Conservation		Energy cost per square foot and use per square foot for state agencies, public schools and public higher education facilities.	December 2023	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Available on agency's website	https://energy.sc.gov/files/view/State%20Energy%20Use%20Report%202021.pdf	No Change	
SC State Accident Fund		Actual payroll reports, General Ledger account variation expense reports to complete workers' compensation coverage.	September 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Electronic copy available upon request	www.scohr@sc.gov	No Change	
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards		Expenditures of Federal awards, sub-recipients, loan programs.	July 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	brwilson@osa.sc.gov	No Change	

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SEP Application Budget		Budget justification for formula grants.	March 2024	Annually	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	https://www.page.energy.gov/	No Change	
SFAA Procurement Reports	11-35-2440	Sole Source Procurements, Emergency Procurements, Illegal Procurements, Record of Applied Preferences, Procurements Using 10% Rule, Trade-In Sales.	April 2024	Quarterly	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	SC Procurement	No Change	
South Carolina Act 236 Distributed Energy Resource and Net Energy Metering Implementation Report	Act 236	Act 236 requires a report on the implementation of DER and NEM for South Carolina's three largest investor-owned utilities - South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, and Duke Energy Progress, LLC. The report is required to be submitted by 7/31/17 and every 2 years after.	July 2023	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Available on agency's website	https://ors.sc.gov/sites/ors/files/Documents/Regulatory/electricNaturalGas/Solar/July%202021%20Report%20on%20Status%20of%20DER%20and%20NEM.pdf	No Change	
South Carolina Oil Overcharge Restitution Programs Annual Report (PVE)		Program and project descriptions, program and project monitoring, and fund summaries.	July 2023	Annually	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	SEP-PVE@ec.doe.gov	No Change	
Subsequent Events Reporting Package		Review of all information previously submitted or new situations that occur subsequent to June 30 or reporting dates that should be noted on the State's CAFR.	October 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://cg.sc.gov/financial-reports/annual-comprehensive-financial-reports-acfrs	No Change	
Tax Revenue Reporting Package		Taxes calculated and levied.	August 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	https://cg.sc.gov/financial-reports/annual-comprehensive-financial-reports-acfrs	No Change	
The Status of Local Telephone Competition in South Carolina	58-9-280(G)(3)	Total Number of Access Lines and all written complaints regarding the impact of broadband on competition.	May 2024	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Available on agency's website	https://ors.sc.gov/regulated-utilities/telecommunications/telecommunications-reports-notices	No Change	

Report Name	Law Number (if applicable)	Summary of information requested in the report	Date of most recent submission DURING the past fiscal year	Reporting Frequency	Type of entity/entities	Method to access the report	Direct access hyperlink or agency contact (if not provided to LSA for posting online)	Changes to this report during the past fiscal year	Explanation why a report wasn't submitted
Time and Effort Report		Time and effort documentation for each employee whose salary is supported by only one Federal program.	October 2023	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Federal -US Department of Energy	No Change	
Travel Report		Report of top employees with travel expenses for ORS during fiscal year 2018-2019.	September 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	DOA - https://admin.sc.gov/budget	No Change	
Universal Service Fund Independent Audit Report		Comments on management of USF by Office of Regulatory Staff.	July 2023	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on agency's website	https://ors.sc.gov/regulated-utilities/telecommunications/sc-universal-service-fund-usf	No Change	

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SUBMISSION FORM

I have reviewed and approved the data submitted by the agency in the following templates:

- Data Template
 - Reorganization and Compliance
 - FY2024 Strategic Plan Results
 - FY2025 Strategic Plan Development
 - Legal
 - Services
 - Partnerships
 - Report or Review
 - Budget
- Discussion Template
- Organizational Template

I have reviewed and approved the financial report summarizing the agency’s budget and actual expenditures, as entered by the agency into the South Carolina Enterprise Information System.

The information submitted is complete and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

AGENCY DIRECTOR <i>(SIGN AND DATE):</i> <i>(TYPE/PRINT NAME):</i>	SIGNATURE ON FILE	Signature Received: 9/04/2024
	Andrew Bateman, Acting Executive Director	

BOARD/CMSN CHAIR <i>(SIGN AND DATE):</i> <i>(TYPE/PRINT NAME):</i>	SIGNATURE ON FILE	Signature Received: 9/04/2024
	Senator Thomas C. Alexander	