



CHAPTER 62

ARTICLE 3 - POWERS AND DUTIES OF UTILITIES COMMISSION

N.C.G.S. § 62-34.

To investigate companies under its control; visitation and inspection.

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§ 62-34(a)

The Commission shall from time to time visit the places of business and investigate the books and papers of all public utilities to ascertain if all the orders, rules and regulations of the Commission have been complied with, and shall have full power and authority to examine all officers, agents and employees of such public utilities, and all other persons, under oath or otherwise, and to compel the production of papers and the attendance of witnesses to obtain the information necessary for carrying into effect and otherwise enforcing the provisions of this Chapter.

§ 62-34(b)

Members of the Commission, Commission staff, and Public Staff may during all reasonable hours enter upon any premises occupied by any public utility, for the purpose of making the examinations and tests and exercising any power provided for in this Article, and may set up and use on such premises any apparatus and appliances necessary therefor. Such public utility shall have the right to be represented at the making of such examinations, tests and inspections.

§ 62-34(c)

The Public Staff shall have the right to examine confidential information as defined in G.S. 132-1.2 in exercising any power or performing any duty authorized by this Chapter. The Public Staff shall not disclose confidential information except as authorized by (i) the person or entity having the right to assert confidentiality, (ii) the Commission, or (iii) a court of competent jurisdiction. Any information not designated in writing as confidential by the person or entity disclosing it to the Public Staff is subject to disclosure. Any dispute about whether information has been properly designated as confidential shall be determined by the Commission upon motion and

response of interested parties. Information shall be considered confidential only to the extent provided by law.

END OF SECTION TEXT

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APPARATUS I
11 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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1899

1960

2021

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1899	c. 164, s. 1	ENACTED
02	Rev.	s. 1064	RECODIFIED
03	1913	c. 127, ss. 1, 2, 7	AMENDED
04	1917	c. 194	AMENDED
05	C.S.	s. 1060	RECODIFIED
06	1933	c. 134, s. 8	AMENDED
07	1933	c. 307, s. 14	AMENDED
08	1941	c. 97	AMENDED
09	1963	c. 1165, s. 1	AMENDED
10	1977	c. 468, s. 10	AMENDED
11	2021	S.L. 2021-23, ss. 5, 24	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
1 AUTHORITY

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 132-1.2	(c)	"examine confidential information as defined in"

APPARATUS III

Citation

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