

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY**

**AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**June 3, 2008**

<b>IN RE:</b>	)	
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<b>UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY, a Division of</b>	)	<b>DOCKET NO.</b>
<b>ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION</b>	)	<b>01-00704</b>
<b>INCENTIVE PLAN ACCOUNT (IPA) AUDIT</b>	)	
	)	
<b>PETITION OF UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY</b>	)	<b>DOCKET NO.</b>
<b>TO AMEND THE PERFORMANCE BASED</b>	)	<b>02-00850</b>
<b>RATEMAKING MECHANISM RIDER TO ITS TARIFF</b>	)	

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**ORDER GRANTING CONTINUANCE**

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This matter came before Director Tre Hargett, Director Sara Kyle, and Director Ron Jones of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the “Authority” or “TRA”), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on May 5, 2008 for consideration of the *Joint Motion for Continuance*.

At the April 21, 2008 Authority Conference, the panel voted unanimously to vacate the portion of the Hearing Officer’s initial order related to the transportation tariff and to rehear the related issues. The panel also appointed a Hearing Officer to prepare the matter for a hearing before the panel no later than May 31, 2008.

On April 23, 2008, the Hearing Officer noticed an April 29, 2008 Status Conference for the purpose of compiling a list of issues, setting a procedural schedule, and addressing any other pre-hearing issues. At the Status Conference, the parties expressed concern over the May 31,

2008 hearing deadline and requested a continuance. The parties<sup>1</sup> filed a *Joint Motion for Continuance* on April 30, 2008 setting out their individual reasons as to why there was insufficient time to prepare for a hearing by May 31, 2008.

The panel found the request for a continuance well-taken. After soliciting input from the parties concerning the amount of time needed to sufficiently prepare for hearing, the panel voted unanimously to grant the request for a continuance and re-set the hearing for August 25, 2008.

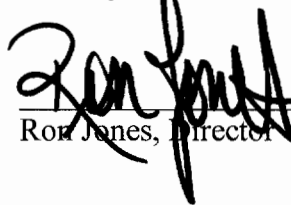
**IT IS SO ORDERED.**



Tre Hargett, Director



Sara Kyle, Director



Ron Jones, Director

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<sup>1</sup> The parties to this docket are Atmos Energy Corporation, the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General, and TRA Audit Staff.