

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY**

**NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**July 30, 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>	)	
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<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 JOINT MOTION TO AMEND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

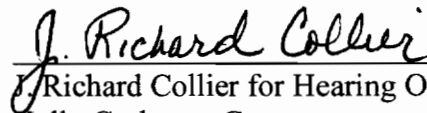
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This matter is before the Hearing Officer upon the *Joint Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule* (“*Joint Motion*”) filed by the parties, the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”), the Tennessee Regulatory Authority Staff of the Utilities Division (“TRA Staff”, participating as a party to the above named dockets), and Atmos Energy Corporation (“Atmos”). The *Joint Motion* states that the parties have been involved in settlement negotiations in an attempt to resolve the issues in this docket. For this reason, the parties request the Hearing Officer to amend the procedural schedule established during the June 18, 2008 Status Conference to allow additional time to file pre-filed testimony and conduct discovery. The parties have attached to the *Joint Motion* a proposed amended procedural schedule.

The Hearing Officer finds that the parties have demonstrated good cause for amending the procedural schedule and, upon review, adopts the amended schedule proposed with the *Joint Motion*.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Joint Motion is hereby granted.
2. The Amended Procedural Schedule, attached to this Order as **Exhibit A**, is hereby adopted and in effect.
3. In light of the additional time built into the procedural schedule, the parties shall file with the Hearing Officer, no later than August 25, 2008, a letter reflecting the status of settlement negotiations in this docket.

  
J. Richard Collier for Hearing Officer  
Kelly Cashman-Grams

**AMENDED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

**(July 30, 2008)**

<b>June 23, 2008</b>	<b>Discovery requests from Consumer Advocate and TRA Staff (limited to 30 discovery requests, including subparts)</b>
<b>July 11, 2008</b>	<b>Responses and objections to discovery</b>
<b>August 29, 2008</b>	<b>Consumer Advocate's pre-filed testimony</b>
<b>September 8, 2008</b>	<b>Discovery requests due from Atmos (limited to 20 discovery requests, including subparts)</b>
<b>September 15, 2008</b>	<b>Responses and objections to discovery</b>
<b>To be determined</b>	<b>Pre-Hearing Conference</b>
<b>To be determined</b>	<b>Hearing on the merits</b>
<b>To be determined</b>	<b>Post-Hearing briefs</b>

**EXHIBIT A**