

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY**

**NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**July 13, 2006**

**IN RE:**

**NASHVILLE GAS COMPANY, A DIVISION OF  
PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.,  
ACTUAL GAS COST ADJUSTMENT FILING FOR  
THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005**

**DOCKET NO.  
06-00087**

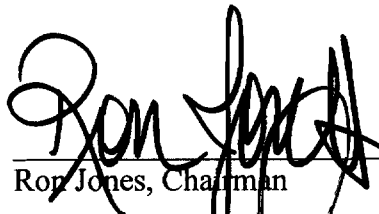
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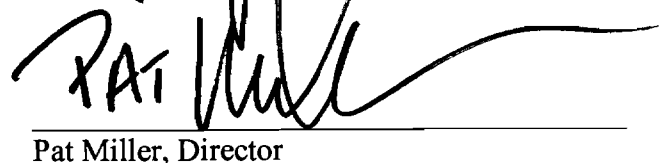
**ORDER CONVENING A CONTESTED CASE  
AND APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER**

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This matter came before Chairman Ron Jones, Director Pat Miller and Director Sara Kyle of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on May 30, 2006 to consider the May 1, 2006 filing by Nashville Gas Company of its Actual Cost Adjustment for the twelve months ended December 31, 2005. During the May 30, 2006 Authority Conference, the panel voted unanimously to convene a contested case proceeding and appoint the Authority's General Counsel or his designee to dispose of the outstanding issues relating to the entry of a protective order. The panel ordered Nashville Gas Company to file a proposed protective order no later than 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 8, 2006.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

  
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Ron Jones, Chairman

  
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Pat Miller, Director

  
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Sara Kyle, Director