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Chairman Sara Kyle c/o Sharla Dillon Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

Re: Petition Of Tennessee American Water Company To Change And Increase Certain Rates And Charges So As To Permit It To Earn A Fair And Adequate Rate Of Return On Its Property Used And Useful In Furnishing Water Service To Its Customers; Docket No. 06-00290

Dear Chairman Kyle:

Enclosed please find an original and sixteen (16) copies of Rebuttal Testimony of Paul R. Herbert.

Please return three copies of each Rebuttal, which I would appreciate your stamping as "filed," and returning to me by way of our courier.

Should you have any questions concerning any of the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With kindest regards, I remain

Yours very truly,

R. Dale Grimes

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cc: Hon. Pat Miller (w/o enclosure)

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BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF PAUL R. HERBERT

ON BEHALF OF TENNESSEE-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

CASE NO. 06-00290

CONCERNING

COST OF SERVICE ALLOCATION

AND

CUSTOMER RATE DESIGN

APRIL 2007

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

RE: TENNESSEE-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

CASE NO. 06-00290

REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF PAUL R. HERBERT

1	1.	Q.	Please state your name and address.					
2		A.	My name is Paul R. Herbert. My business address is 207 Senate					
3			Avenue, Camp Hill, Pennsylvania.					
4	2.	Q.	By whom are you employed?					
5		A.	I am employed by Gannett Fleming, Inc.					
6	3.	Q.	Are you the same Paul R. Herbert that submitted direct testimony in					
7			this case?					
8		A.	Yes, I am.					
9	4.	Q.	What is the subject of your rebuttal testimony?					
10		A.	My rebuttal testimony will address Chattanooga Manufacturers					
11			Association (CMA) witness Mr. Michael Gorman direct testimony and					
12			exhibits, concerning the cost of service and proposed rates.					
13	5.	Q.	Please address the testimony of Mr. Gorman concerning cost					
14			allocation.					
15		A.	Mr. Gorman generally accepts the cost of service study I prepared but					
16			offers one minor adjustment to my study which involves the allocation					
17			of purchased power costs. Mr. Gorman suggests that the demand					
18			charge portion of the Company's electric bills be allocated on an extra					

capacity basis, using my Factor 6 instead of Factor 1 which is based on average daily sales. The result of his revision would allocate more purchased power costs to the residential, commercial, public authority and private fire classes and less to industrial and other water utilities classes. The reduction to the industrial class would be \$57,391 or approximately 1.5% - a relatively minor adjustment.

- 7 6. Q. Do you agree with Mr. Gorman's revision?
- A. I would agree with the concept of this refinement but not to the extent that Mr. Gorman suggests.
- 7. Q. Please explain.

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Α. I have conducted an analysis of another large water company's power 11 bills and noticed that most of the bills include a monthly demand 12 charge regardless of the level of service. Most electric rates are 13 structured with a customer charge, a demand charge and commodity 14 charges. Depending on the rate schedule, there will be a monthly 15 demand charge even if power is taken at a steady rate 24 hours a 16 day, 7 days a week. The extent that the demand charge fluctuates 17 from month to month I would consider to be the extra capacity portion 18 of the Company's power purchases. In my analysis of the other water 19 company, the difference between the minimum demand charge for 20 the lowest demand month and the demand charges for the remaining 21 months resulted in approximately 5% of the total purchased power 22 expense attributable to extra capacity. I would support a refinement 23

to my cost allocation that would allocate 5% of purchased power to the extra capacity function.

- Q. Does the AWWA Manual M1 support your method of allocating
 purchased power in this manner?
- A. Yes, it does. It states that "the demand portion of power costs should be allocated to extra capacity to the degree that it varies with the demand pumping requirements." (emphasis added). It does not suggest that the total demand portion of power costs should be allocated to extra capacity, only to the degree that it varies with pumping requirements.
- 9. Q. What is the result of allocating power costs using your alternative method?
- A. As shown on Exhibit No. PRH-R1, the result of allocating 5% of the power costs on an extra capacity basis reduces the industrial cost of service by \$6,354 or 0.16% an insignificant amount.
- 10. Q. Please address Mr. Gorman's testimony regarding the proposed rate design.
- A. Mr. Gorman objects to the Company's proposal to increase rates
 based on an across-the-board increase which maintains the interclass
 subsidies that exist based on cost of service indications. He
 recommends that the subsidies be phased out over three rate cases.
- 22 11. Q. Do you agree with this conclusion?
- A. Although the Company would support the gradual movement toward the cost of service indications shown in the cost of service study, the

- proposal for an across-the-board increase was determined to be more appropriate at this time.
- 3 12. Q. Does this conclude your rebuttal testimony?
- 4 A. Yes, it does.

EXHIBIT No. PRH-R1

TENNESSEE-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

COMPARISON OF PRO FORMA COST OF SERVICE WITH REVENUES UNDER PRESENT AND PROPOSED RATES FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

	Pro Forma Cost of Service, as of June 30, 2006		Pro Forma Revenues Under Present Rates		Pro Forma Revenues Under Proposed Rates		Proposed Increase	
Customer Classification (1)	Amount (2)	Percent of Total (3)	Amount (4)	Percent of Total (5)	Amount (6)	Percent of Total (7)	Amount (8)	Percent Increase (9)
Residential	\$19,439,367	50.5%	\$13,681,917	42.5%	\$16,354,136	42.5%	\$2,672,219	19.5%
Commercial	10,464,491	27.2%	10,230,156	31.8%	12,242,287	31.8%	2,012,131	19.7%
Industrial	3,940,061	10.2%	3,428,902	10.7%	4,103,407	10.7%	674,505	19.7%
Other Public Authority	2,705,939	7.1%	2,404,176	7.4%	2,877,105	7.5%	472,929	19.7%
Other Water Utilities	1,359,278	3.5%	1,048,255	3.3%	1,254,459	3.2%	206,204	19.7%
Private Fire Protection	566,273	1.5%	1,373,647	4.3%	1,644,020	4.3%	270,373	19.7%
Public Fire Protection	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total Sales of Water	38,475,409	100.0%	32,167,053	100.0%	38,475,414	100.0%	6,308,361	19.6%
Other Water Revenues	1,336,761		1,265,235		1,336,761		71,526	5.7%
Total	\$39,812,170		\$33,432,288		\$39,812,175		\$6,379,887	19.1%

TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the

State and County aforesaid, personally came and appeared Paul R. Herbert, being by me first

duly sworn deposed and said that:

He is appearing as a witness on behalf of Tennessee-American Water Company before

the Tennessee Regulatory Authority, and if present before the Authority and duly sworn, his

rebuttal testimony would set forth in the annexed transcript consisting of six (6) pages.

Paul R. Herbert

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of April 2007.

Notary Public

My commission expires February 20, 2011.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

Notarial Seal Cheryl Ann Rutter, Notary Public East Pennsboro Twp., Cumberland County My Commission Expires Feb. 20, 2011

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served via the method(s) indicated, on this the 9th day of April, 2007, upon the following:

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