

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

IN RE:

PETITION OF TENNESSEE-  
AMERICAN WATER COMPANY TO  
CHANGE AND INCREASE CERTAIN  
RATES AND CHARGES . . .

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**CHATTANOOGA MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION'S REQUEST THAT  
CONTESTED CASE HEARING BE CONDUCTED IN CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE**

Chattanooga Manufacturers Association ("CMA"), by and through its counsel, respectfully requests that the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority") schedule and conduct the contested case hearing in this matter in Chattanooga, Tennessee, rather than Nashville, Tennessee. CMA contemporaneously files its Petition to Intervene in this matter. Pursuant to the December 21, 2006 Notice of Status Conference entered by Hearing Officer J. Richard Collier, CMA acknowledges that its Petition to Intervene will not be decided until January 8, 2007, at which time the procedural schedule in this matter will also be determined. Since Tennessee-American Water Company (the "Company") objected in its last rate case to a Chattanooga hearing, despite being advised early on of CMA's intention to make such a request, CMA makes the request at the earliest stage of these proceedings. CMA respectfully submits the following request should be considered at the January 8, 2007 Status Conference, stating as follows:

1. The Authority's mission includes promotion of the public interest throughout the State of Tennessee, and this particular contested case involves Petitioner Tennessee-American Water Company's request to increase rates that will affect adversely citizens, residents and ratepayers throughout the Chattanooga area.

2. CMA submits that the Company, the CMA and the City of Chattanooga conduct their business operations in Chattanooga, and a substantial number of the witnesses and documents likely to be presented during this contested case are located in Chattanooga.

3. There is significant interest with respect to the Company's request to increase its rates and charges. A change of venue will enhance substantially any interested ratepayers' opportunity to be heard.

4. CMA avers, upon information and belief, that an appropriate forum for a public hearing might be secured through either the City of Chattanooga or Hamilton County governments.

**WHEREFORE**, to the extent that its contemporaneously filed Petition to Intervene is granted, CMA requests that the venue for the contested case hearing be designated at an appropriate location in Chattanooga, Tennessee on the hearing date(s) recommended or selected by the Hearing Officer and approved by the Authority.

Respectfully submitted this 28th of December, 2006.

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