IN RE: DOCKET FOR THE COLLECTION OF DATA AND COMMENTS RELATING TO HOME ENERGY CONSERVATION MATTERS IN TENNESSEE NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE DOCKET FOR DEC 20 1. 0 20 DOCKET NO. 06-00309 DOCKET NO. 06-00309 DOCKET NO. 06-00309 DOCKET NO. 06-00309

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COMMENTS OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE & PROTECTION DIVISION OF THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Comes Robert E. Cooper, Jr., the Attorney General & Reporter, through the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of Attorney General (hereinafter "Consumer Advocate"), submits these comments regarding the *Tennessee Home Energy Task Force Report* and the funding workshop. The Consumer Advocate would submit that the following represent ideal goals for the funding workshop in order to advance a conservation program in Tennessee.

- 1. The participating parties should examine the potential costs of the identified Needs and Recommendations as stated in the report, including short term, medium term and long term recommendations. It is imperative that the scope and costs of the proposals contained within the report be identified to the extent possible.
- 2. The Task Force should closely examine the funding mechanisms that are currently available from which to fund a conservation program. This is an issue that has not yet been

addressed and merits careful examination.

3. In an environment in which funding may be limited, the Task Force should be prepared to prioritize the Needs and Recommendations within the report in order to maximize conservation efforts.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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