BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE January 17, 2008

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COMMENTS RELATING TO HOME ENERGY)	06-00309
CONSERVATION MATTERS IN TENNESSEE)	
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ORDER SUSPENDING IMPLEMENTATION DATE OF HOME ENERGY CONSERVATION PILOT PROGRAMS

This matter came before Chairman Eddie Roberson, Director Pat Miller, Director Sara Kyle, and Director Ron Jones of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority" or "TRA") at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on November 6, 2007 for consideration of a request for an extension of the implementation date of the energy conservation pilot programs.

BACKGROUND

At a regularly scheduled Authority Conference on July 9, 2007, the Directors voted unanimously in favor of the creation of autonomous pilot energy conservation programs for Chattanooga Gas Company ("CGC"), Nashville Gas Company ("NGC"), and Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos") (collectively, the "Companies"). Additionally, during the Authority Conference, the Authority set a deadline for comments to be received from the Companies and an implementation date for the pilot programs of November 30, 2007.

On August 8, 2007, comments concerning the creation, structure, and funding of autonomous energy conservation pilot programs were filed by CGC, NGC, and Atmos. On October 8, 2007, comments were filed by the Attorney General's Office Consumer Advocate and Protection Division ("Consumer Advocate"). As the comments submitted to the Authority differed in several respects, a meeting of Task Force was scheduled on October 12, 2007. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and reconcile the comments offered by the Companies and the Consumer Advocate.

During the meeting of the Home Energy Conservation Task Force, held October 12, 2007 in the Hearing Room at the TRA, the Task Force members expressed concern with the impending November 30, 2007 implementation start date for the pilot programs previously set by the Authority. In light of the status of the plans for the pilot programs and the lack of an established funding mechanism, the Task Force requested that the Authority consider granting an extension of the implementation date of the pilot programs to at least three months following a determination by the Authority of the manner in which the programs would be funded.

NOVEMBER 6, 2007 AUTHORITY CONFERENCE

At a regularly scheduled Authority Conference on November 6, 2007, the Directors voted unanimously to suspend the November 30, 2007 implementation date for the energy conservation pilot programs, and that a new implementation date would be reset for no sooner than three months following a decision by the Authority on the funding of the pilot programs.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The November 30, 2007 implementation date for the energy conservation pilot programs for Chattanooga Gas Company, Nashville Gas Company, and Atmos Energy Corporation, shall be suspended and a new implementation date shall be set no sooner than three months following a decision by the Authority regarding the funding of the programs.

Eddie Roberson, Chairman

Pat Miller, Director¹

Sara Kyle, Director

Ron Jones, Director

¹ Director Miller voted in agreement with the other directors but resigned his position as Director before the issuance of this order.