

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

December 5, 2007

IN RE:

DOCKET TO EVALUATE ATMOS
ENERGY CORPORATION'S GAS
PURCHASES AND RELATED SHARING
INCENTIVES

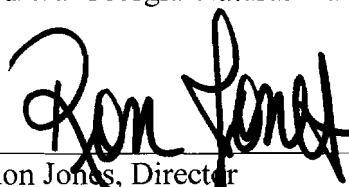
DOCKET NO.
07-00225

**ORDER GRANTING THE *MOTION OF SOUTHSTAR ENERGY SERVICES LLC D/B/A
GEORGIA NATURAL GAS TO WITHDRAW AS INTERVENOR***

This docket came before the Hearing Officer upon the filing of the *Motion of SouthStar Energy Services LLC d/b/a Georgia Natural Gas to Withdraw as Intervenor* filed by SouthStar Energy Services LLC d/b/a Georgia Natural Gas ("SouthStar") on November 26, 2007. In the motion, SouthStar explains that it has "determined that the cost to participate actively as a party in this proceeding is not justified by SouthStar's current business activity on the Atmos system."¹ To date, no responses to the motion have been filed.² No party has objected to the motion and I know of no reason to deny the motion; therefore, it is my opinion that the motion should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDER THAT:

The *Motion of SouthStar Energy Services LLC d/b/a Georgia Natural Gas to Withdraw as Intervenor* filed by SouthStar Energy Services LLC d/b/a Georgia Natural Gas on November 26, 2007 is granted.



Ron Jones, Director
Acting as Hearing Officer³

¹ *Motion of SouthStar Energy Services LLC d/b/a Georgia Natural Gas to Withdraw as Intervenor* (Nov. 26, 2007).

² Authority Rule 1220-1-2-.06(2) permits responses to preliminary motions to be filed seven (7) days following the service of the motion. Thus, responses to the motion were due on December 3, 2007.

³ During the deliberations in Docket Nos. 05-00253 and 05-00258 on August 20, 2007, the panel voted to open a new docket and appointed Director Jones to serve as the Hearing Officer for the purposes of preparing the newly-opened docket for hearing by the panel. See Transcript of Authority Conference, pp. 36-50 (Aug. 20, 2007).