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R. Dale Grimes Bass, Berry & Sims PLC AmSouth Center 315 Deaderick Street, Suite 2700 Nashville, TN 37238

RE: Docket No. 08-00039 – PETITION OF TENNESSEE AMERICAN WATER COMPANY TO CHANGE AND INCREASE CERTAIN RATES AND CHARGES – REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL.

Dear Mr. Grimes:

Staff is in the process of reviewing the draft Request For Proposal (RFP) filed with the Authority on March 23, 2009. It is noted that the RFP language does not provide a time line from the start date of the management audit for the completion of the audit and issuance of the Auditor's report. Has the Company determined a reasonable time line? If so, please provide an amended RFP that includes the appropriate language to address the time frame.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please respond by April 30, 2009. Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Pat Murphy at extension 178.

Sincerely,

Darlene Standley

Chief

Utilities Division

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