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June 11, 2008

**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Chairman Eddie Roberson, PhD  
c/o Ms. Sharla Dillon  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

**Re: *Petition to Intervene of Gas Technology Institute***  
***Docket No. 08-00064***

Dear Chairman Roberson:

Enclosed please find an original and sixteen copies of Gas Technology Institute's Petition to Intervene in the above docket, dated June 11, 2008. Also enclosed is our check for \$25.00 for your fee.

Please return three copies of this Petition to me, which I would appreciate your stamping as "filed," by way of our courier.

Should you have any questions concerning any of the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very truly yours,



R. Dale Grimes

Enclosures

cc: Gary Hotvedt, Esq. (w/o enclosure)

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

**In re:** )  
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**Generic Contested Case Docket to Analyze and** ) **DOCKET NO. 08-00064**  
**Evaluate the Cost-Benefits and Funding** )  
**Mechanisms for Energy Conservation Research** )

**GAS TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE'S**  
**PETITION TO INTERVENE**

Gas Technology Institute ("GTI") hereby petitions the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-2-107, for permission to intervene and to be made a party of record in the above-captioned docket. In support of this petition, GTI alleges as follows:

1. GTI is an organization, formerly known as Gas Research Institute ("GRI") that was formed in 1977 by natural gas local distribution companies and pipe line companies in agreement with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"). GTI is engaged predominately in research and development activities with respect to natural gas usage and natural gas consumer benefits.

2. Gas consumer benefits research and development is that in which applicable technologies result in benefits primarily accruing to gas consumers. These benefits includes lower energy use, increased safety, enhanced deliverability, and reduced energy costs.

3. Any notices or other communications with respect to this Petition should be sent to:

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4. The TRA has established this proceeding to analyze and evaluate the cost-benefits and funding mechanisms for energy conservation research.

5. The TRA has assigned Docket No. 08-00064 to the referenced matter and set a Status Conference for June 12, 2008.

6. GTI has a direct and material interest in the issues to be addressed by the TRA in this docket. This interest cannot be adequately represented by other parties to this proceeding.

7. Granting GTI's request to be made a party of record in the above-captioned proceeding is in the public interest, is consistent with the policies of the TRA, and should be allowed so that a full and complete record can be developed.

WHEREFORE, Gas Technology Institute prays for the following relief:

1. that this Petition to Intervene be granted by the TRA and that GTI be made a formal party of record to this proceeding; and
2. that GTI be allowed to participate fully in this proceeding and to take such positions as it deems advisable.

Respectfully submitted, this the 11th day of June 2008.



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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and exact copy of the foregoing has been forwarded via hand delivery to the following on this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008:

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