

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

October 27, 2008

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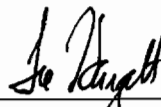
**PETITION OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION
FOR APPROVAL OF ADJUSTMENT OF ITS
RATES AND REVISED TARIFF**

**DOCKET NO.
08-00197**

**ORDER CONVENING A CONTESTED CASE
AND APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER**

This matter came before Chairman Tre Hargett, Director Sara Kyle and Director Mary W. Freeman of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on October 20, 2008 for consideration of the *Petition for Rate Change* filed on October 15, 2008 by Atmos Energy Corporation. On October 17, 2008, the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of Attorney General filed a petition to intervene. During the Authority Conference, the panel voted unanimously to convene a contested case proceeding and to appoint the Authority's General Counsel or his designee to serve as Hearing Officer for the purpose of hearing preliminary matters, setting a procedural schedule to completion and preparing the matter for a hearing before the panel.

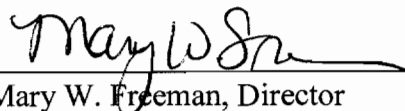
IT IS SO ORDERED.



Tre Hargett, Chairman



Sara Kyle, Director



Mary W. Freeman, Director