## BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

## NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

**December 10, 2009** 

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## ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION TO HOLD PROCEEDING IN ABEYANCE

This matter is before the Hearing Officer upon the filing of a Joint Motion of Petitioner and Respondents to Hold Proceeding in Abeyance ("Motion to Hold in Abeyance") with the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Authority") on December 9, 2009. In their Motion to Hold in Abeyance, the parties state that they have reached a settlement in principle and expect to file a proposed Settlement Agreement within three weeks. Further, the parties request that this proceeding be held in abeyance pending action on such agreement by the Authority panel. In the event that the Authority rejects the parties' proposed agreement, the proceeding will recommence. Therefore, all premises considered, the Hearing Officer finds that the Motion to Hold in Abeyance should be granted.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The Joint Motion of Petitioner and Respondents to Hold Proceeding in Abeyance is GRANTED and this proceeding shall be in abeyance pending the filing of a proposed Settlement Agreement within three weeks of the date of this Order and subsequent action thereon by the Directors of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority.

Kelly Cashman-Grams, Hearing Officer