

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY**

**NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**September 11, 2009**

<b>IN RE:</b>	)	
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<b>TENNESSEE AMERICAN WATER</b>	)	<b>DOCKET NO.</b>
<b>COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR</b>	)	<b>09-00086</b>
<b>MANAGEMENT AUDIT</b>	)	

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**ORDER APPROVING PROPOSED CLARIFICATION LETTER**

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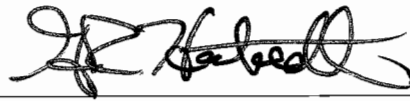
This matter came before the Hearing Officer upon the September 8, 2009 filing of *Tennessee American Water Company's Request for Approval of Proposed Clarification Letter Regarding Request for Proposal* ("Letter"), which due to the timeframe involved also requested expedited consideration. In its July 16, 2009 *Order Moving Request for Proposal to New Docket*, the panel directed the Hearing Officer to handle preparation of this matter as expeditiously as possible. At the regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on August 4, 2009, the panel voted unanimously to approve the Request for Proposal ("RFP") filed in this docket on June 11, 2009, with some minor changes. The panel also directed the Company to issue the RFP as soon as possible and to file the RFP with the service list associated with this docket file.

Authority Staff has reviewed the Letter, and has found that such proposed clarification is warranted and acceptable. Therefore, the Hearing Officer approves the immediate issuance of the Letter. Due to the timeframe involved with the Letter and the underlying RFP, Tennessee American Water Company, in its discretion, may extend the due date of the responses to the RFP for one additional week, from September 18, 2009 until September 25, 2009.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. *Tennessee American Water Company's Request for Approval of Proposed Clarification Letter Regarding Request for Proposal* filed in this docket on September 8, 2009 is approved for immediate issuance.

2. Tennessee American Water Company, in its discretion, may extend the due date of the responses to the RFP for one additional week, from September 18, 2009 until September 25, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary Hotvedt", is written over a horizontal line.

Gary Hotvedt, Hearing Officer