

**IN THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

IN RE:

**Petition of Piedmont Natural Gas Company,
Inc. for Approval of Service Schedule No.
317 and Related Energy Efficiency
Programs**

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DOCKET NO. 09-00104

AGREED PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Pursuant to the directives of the Hearing Officer, the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General ("Consumer Advocate") and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Piedmont") submit the following agreed schedule for discovery and the filing of both pre-filed direct and rebuttal testimony.

October 15, 2009 – Filing of Discovery Requests

October 29, 2009 – Filing of Responses to Discovery Requests

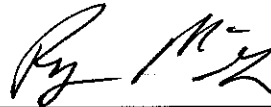
November 23, 2009 – Filing of Direct Testimony of the Parties

December 4, 2009 – Filing of the Rebuttal Testimony of the Parties

Based on the comments made at the September 28, 2009 status conference, it is the understanding of the Consumer Advocate that Piedmont desires a hearing during the month of December. Further, it is the understanding of the Consumer Advocate that the TRA desires to make a determination in this matter prior to the beginning of the 2010 state legislative session. While the Consumer Advocate agrees to this procedural schedule, the Consumer Advocate would prefer additional time to consider matters with broad public policy implications and detail oriented subject matter in any future proceedings.

The Consumer Advocate may have a schedule conflict for a hearing the period covering December 14-18, 2009. The Consumer Advocate will endeavor to resolve or mitigate this conflict. Piedmont does not have any known conflicts at this time but is still in the process of coordinating with several of its potential witnesses and will do everything in its power to make all of its witnesses available on the hearing dates selected by the Authority.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: October 9, 2009.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE


I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Statement of Issues was served via U.S. Mail or electronic mail upon:

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This the 9 day of October, 2009.



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