

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

**IN RE:**

**APPLICATION OF PIEDMONT  
NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC. FOR  
APPROVAL OF NEGOTIATED GAS  
REDELIVERY AGREEMENT WITH E. I.  
DUPONT DE NEMOURS COMPANY**

**DOCKET NO. 10-00142**

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**PETITION TO INTERVENE**

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Robert E. Cooper, Jr., Attorney General and Reporter for the State of Tennessee, by and through the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General ("Consumer Advocate"), pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-118, respectfully petitions the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA" or "Authority") to grant the Consumer Advocate's intervention into this proceeding on behalf of the public interest. For cause, Petitioner would show as follows:

1. The Consumer Advocate is authorized by Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-118 to represent the interests of Tennessee consumers of public utilities services by initiating and intervening as a party in proceedings before the Authority in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act and Authority rules.

2. Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Piedmont") is a public utility regulated by the Authority and distributes natural gas to consumers located in Nashville and the remainder of Davidson County, as well as portions of the adjoining counties of Cheatham, Dickson, Robertson, Rutherford, Sumner, Trousdale, Williamson, and Wilson and in certain incorporated towns and cities located therein.

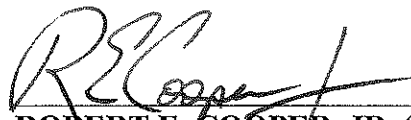
3. On July 13, 2010, Piedmont filed in the Authority an Application to approve a negotiated Gas Redelivery Agreement with E. I. du Pont de Nemours Company ("DuPont"), including the rates set forth therein.

4. Additional investigation and discovery may be needed to determine whether the Gas Redelivery Agreement is reasonable in its terms and is in the best interest of Tennessee consumers.

5. Only by participating in this proceeding can the Consumer Advocate work adequately to protect the interests of consumers.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully asks the Authority to grant the Petition to Intervene.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



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Dated: July 21, 2010.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

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This the 21 day of July, 2010.

  
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