

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

November 8, 2010

IN RE:

**ATMOS ENERGY'S TENNESSEE AND UNION CITY
TENNESSEE 2009-2010 ACA FILING**

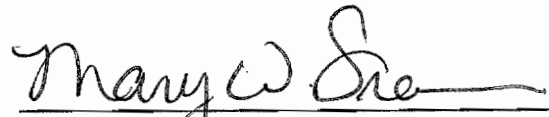
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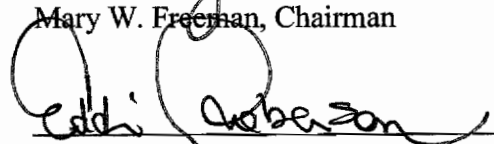
**ORDER CONVENING A CONTESTED CASE
AND APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER**

This matter came before Chairman Mary W. Freeman, Director Eddie Roberson and Director Sara Kyle of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on September 27, 2010 for consideration of the September 7, 2010 filing of Atmos Energy's Tennessee and Union City Tennessee 2009-2010 ACA Filing. 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 act as Hearing Officer to handle any preliminary matters, including entering a protective order.¹

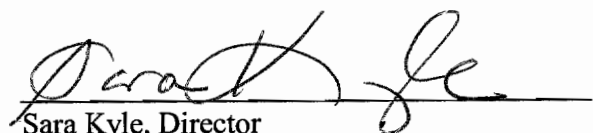
IT IS SO ORDERED.



Mary W. Freeman, Chairman



Eddie Roberson, Director



Sara Kyle, Director

¹ Atmos Energy was directed to submit a proposed protective order no later than 2:00 p.m. on October 7, 2010.