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Chairman Mary Freeman
c/o Ms. Sharla Dillon
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

**Re: Petition of Tennessee American Water Company to Change and Increase Certain Rates and Charges so as to Permit it to Earn a Fair and Adequate Rate of Return on its Property Used and Useful in Furnishing Water Service to its Customers
Docket No. 10-00189**

Dear Chairman Freeman:

Enclosed please find an original and five (5) copies of the Petition of the City of Chattanooga to Intervene. I would appreciate you stamping the extra copy of this document as "filed," and returning it to me in the enclosed, self-addressed and stamped envelope.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Frederick L. Hitchcock

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IN RE:

**PETITION OF TENNESSEE AMERICAN
WATER COMPANY TO CHANGE AND
INCREASE CERTAIN RATES AND
CHARGES SO AS TO PERMIT IT TO
EARN A FAIR AND ADEQUATE RATE OF
RETURN ON ITS PROPERTY USED AND
USEFUL IN FURNISHING WATER
SERVICE TO ITS CUSTOMERS**

PETITION OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TO INTERVENE

3. The present docket, Docket No. 10-00189, involves a Petition to change and increase certain rates and charges currently in effect for water service within the City of Chattanooga and to approve certain tariffs filed simultaneously with the Petition.

4. The City of Chattanooga is a proper party to intervene in this case as the City of Chattanooga is a customer of TAWC. Moreover, the City seeks to protect the interests of its citizens, and the legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other legal interests of the City of Chattanooga and its citizens may be determined in these proceedings.

5. In support of this Petition to Intervene, the City of Chattanooga would urge that the TRA should consider several matters, including, but not limited to:

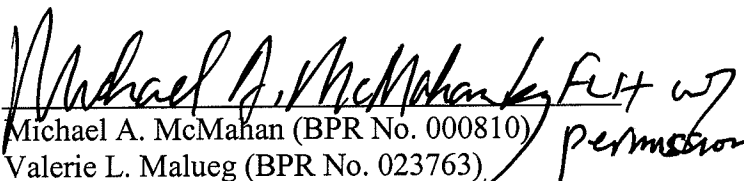
- (a) The increased rates will create an economic hardship on businesses and residents of Chattanooga and adversely impact economic development in the city;
- (b) TAWC's claims of increased operating costs and capital investment must be carefully scrutinized to insure that they are reasonable and necessary;
- (c) The TAWC's request for an upward adjustment of \$9,984,463, or 27.66%, in the rates it charges to customers is excessive.

6. Only by intervening and participating in this proceeding can the City of Chattanooga properly protect its interests and the interests of its citizens.

WHEREFORE, the petitioner prays the authority to grant its Petition to Intervene.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the following person(s) via ☐ hand delivery or ☒ United States first class mail with proper postage applied thereon to ensure prompt delivery:

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