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September 29, 2011

The Honorable Eddie Roberson, Chairman c/o Sharla Dillion – Docket Room Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

Re: Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. Actual Cost Adjustment Account Filing for the

period July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011

Dear Chairman Roberson,

Enclosed is Piedmont Natural Gas Company's Actual Cost Adjustment Account filing for the twelve months ended June 30, 2011, as required by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority. Also enclosed are four copies and the \$25.00 docket filing fee.

Piedmont Natural Gas Company requests that a contested case be convened in this matter solely for the purpose of the entry of a protective order which would protect the proprietary business information of Piedmont Natural Gas Company contained in this filing from public disclosure. Pending action on this request, we hereby designate the materials provided to the Authority as the confidential and proprietary trade secrets of Piedmont Natural Gas Company and respectfully request that the Authority treat those materials in a manner consistent with that designation.

Piedmont Natural Gas Company appreciates the Authority's consideration of this request. If there are any questions regarding this matter, I can be reached at (704) 731-4560.

Sincerely,

Jenny Furr

Manager, Regulatory Reporting

Enclosures

cc: Pat Murphy

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