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July 6, 2012

Chairman Kenneth C. Hill, c/o Ms. Sharla Dillon Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243-0505

Re: In re: Petition of Tennessee-American Water - TRA Docket No. 12-00049

Chairman Hill:

Tennessee American Water submits this letter as an initial response to the City of Chattanooga's Petition to Intervene, filed yesterday with the Authority. While Tennessee American Water does not oppose the City's Petition to Intervene in the rate case, with respect to rate matters, it would like more time, prior to consideration by the agency, to consider, and, if necessary, respond to the portion of the Petition requesting "an Order requiring Tennessee American Water Company to cooperate with the City concerning critical public safety issues..."

Tennessee American Water respectfully requests additional time, until the close of business on Monday, July 9, 2012, to consider, and, if necessary, to respond to this portion of the Petition.

Best regards,

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