

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

February 19, 2013

IN RE:

**PETITION OF EMERSON PROPERTIES, LLC
FOR DECLARATORY RULING**

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**DOCKET NO.
13-00017**

ORDER APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER

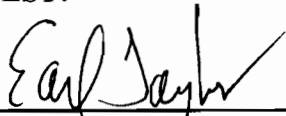
This matter came before Chairman James M. Allison, Director Kenneth C. Hill and Director David F. Jones of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority" or "TRA"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on February 13, 2013 for the purpose of determining whether to appoint a Hearing Officer. On January 16, 2013, Emerson Properties, LLC filed a Petition for Declaratory Ruling ("Petition") concerning the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity held by Tennessee Wastewater Systems, Inc. for a portion of Campbell County, Tennessee, known as Villages at Norris Lake.¹

During the Authority Conference, the Directors voted unanimously to appoint the Authority's General Counsel or her designee to serve as Hearing Officer. The Hearing Officer was authorized (a) to make a determination, prior to March 18, 2013, whether to accept the Petition and whether to set this matter for a contested case proceeding; and (b) if the Petition is accepted, to resolve any preliminary matters, including the preparation of a Notice to the Secretary of State as required by Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-224, and to prepare the matter for hearing before the panel.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Chairman James M. Allison, Director Kenneth C. Hill and Director David F. Jones concur.

ATTEST:



Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director

¹ See *In re: Petition of Tennessee Wastewater Systems, Inc. to Amend Its CCN to Expand Its Service Area to Include a Portion of Campbell County in Tennessee Known as Villages at Norris Lake*, Docket No. 06-00277.