

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

October 8, 2014

IN RE:

PETITION OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY,  
INC. TO ADJUST THE JUNE 30, 2012 ACA ENDING  
BALANCE FOR PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS

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) DOCKET NO.  
) 13-00119  
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ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION  
OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE & ESTABLISHING FILING DEADLINE

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This matter is before the Hearing Officer of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (“TRA” or “Authority”) upon the Notice of Settlement in Principle and Request for Suspension of Procedural Schedule (“*Motion*”) filed by Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (“Piedmont”) on October 7, 2014. In its *Motion*, Piedmont states that it is finalizing a settlement in principle with the Consumer Advocate Division of the Office of the Tennessee Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”) and the TRA Staff Participating as a Party (“Party Staff”) that, upon the applicable approvals, resolves all issues in the proceeding. As such, Piedmont requests suspension of the Procedural Schedule established on September 2, 2014, and that the parties be allowed until October 31, 2014 to file a formal Stipulation and Settlement Agreement. Piedmont further states that the Consumer Advocate and Party Staff support its *Motion*.

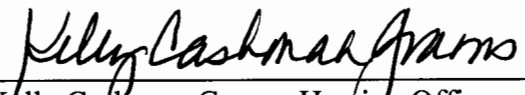
THEREFORE, upon due consideration, the Hearing Officer finds that the *Motion* is not unreasonable and should be granted.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. The parties shall file in the docket file a formal Stipulation and Settlement Agreement **no later than October 31, 2014**; or, in the event an agreement is unable to be filed

by the deadline, the parties shall file a Joint Status Report concerning the status and anticipated resolution of the parties' negotiations in this matter.

2. The Procedural Schedule established on September 2, 2014 is hereby suspended pending further notice.

  
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Kelly Cashman-Grams, Hearing Officer