

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

March 17, 2014

IN RE:

**PETITION OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION FOR
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT(S) REGARDING GAS
COMMODITY REQUIREMENTS AND MANAGEMENT
OF TRANSPORTATION/STORAGE CONTRACTS**

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**DOCKET NO.
14-00009**

**ORDER CONVENING A CONTESTED CASE
AND APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER**

This matter came before Chairman James M. Allison, Director Robin Bennett and Director David F. Jones of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on March 7, 2014 for the purpose of determining whether to convene a contested case proceeding and appoint a Hearing Officer. On February 14, 2014, Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos" or the "Company") filed an *Amended Petition for Approval of Contract Regarding Gas Commodity Requirements and Management of Transportation/Storage Contract* requesting Authority approval of a contract with Atmos Energy Marketing, LLC regarding the Company's gas commodity requirements and management of its transportation and storage contracts.¹ On February 28, 2014, the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General filed a *Petition to Intervene*, and Atmos filed a Response.

During the Authority Conference, the Directors voted unanimously to convene a contested case proceeding and to appoint the Authority's General Counsel or her designee to act

¹ The original Petition, filed on January 30, 2014, erroneously contained a second contract which does not require Authority approval.

as Hearing Officer to prepare this matter for hearing, including establishing a procedural schedule, entering a protective order and ruling on intervention requests and discovery issues.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Chairman James M. Allison, Director Robin Bennett and Director David F. Jones concur.

ATTEST:

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Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director