BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

September 24, 2014		
IN RE:)	
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PETITION OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION)	DOCKET NO.
TO ESTABLISH AN ANNUAL RATE REVIEW)	14-00081
MECHANISM PURSUANT TO TENN. CODE ANN.)	
65-5-103(d)(6))	

ORDER CONVENING A CONTESTED CASE AND APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER

This matter came before Chairman Herbert H. Hilliard, Director Kenneth C. Hill and Director James M. Allison of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on September 15, 2014 to determine whether to convene a contested case proceeding and appoint a Hearing Officer. On August 28, 2014, Atmos Energy Corporation filed a Petition requesting Authority approval to establish an annual rate review mechanism pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-103. A *Petition to Intervene* was filed by the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General on September 10, 2014.

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 as Hearing Officer to prepare this matter for hearing, including but not limited to, establishing a procedural schedule, entering a protective order, and ruling on intervention requests and discovery issues.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Chairman Herbert H. Hilliard, Director Kenneth C. Hill and Director James M. Allison concur.

ATTEST:

Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director