

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

September 24, 2014

IN RE:

**PETITION OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS
COMPANY, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF A CNG
INFRASTRUCTURE RIDER TO ITS APPROVED
RATE SCHEDULES AND SERVICE REGULATIONS**

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**DOCKET NO.
14-00086**

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

This matter came before Chairman Herbert H. Hilliard, Vice Chairman David F. Jones 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 29, 2014, Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. filed a Petition requesting Authority approval to expand its Compressed Natural Gas ("CNG") facilities and implement a Tariff Rider for rate recovery pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-103.

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

ATTEST:



Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director