# BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

### NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

## February 11, 2015

IN RE:	)	
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PETITION OF TENNESSEE-AMERICAN WATER	)	
COMPANY REGARDING THE 2015 INVESTMENT	)	
AND RELATED EXPENSES UNDER THE QUALIFIED	)	DOCKET NO.
INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PROGRAM	)	14-00121
RIDER, THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	)	
INVESTMENT RIDER, AND THE SAFETY AND	)	
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE RIDER	)	

# ORDER RE-SUSPENDING TARIFFS THROUGH APRIL 14, 2015

This matter is before the Hearing Officer, duly appointed by the voting panel of Directors of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA" or "Authority") and designated by General Counsel, to address preliminary issues that may arise during the preparation of this matter for a hearing before the Authority.

### BACKGROUND

On October 29, 2014, pursuant to the TRA's decision in Docket No. 13-00130, Tennessee-American Water Company ("TAWC") filed its initial request and supporting documentation for Authority approval to increase during the 2015 calendar year the tariff percentage rates for its Qualified Infrastructure Investment Program Rider, Economic Development Investment Program Rider, and Safety and Environmental Compliance Program Rider (collectively "Capital Riders"). On November 25, 2014, and again on December 4, 2014, TAWC filed revised proposed Summary of Riders tariff pages in the docket file. On December

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Petition (October 29, 2015).

29, 2014, TAWC filed the supplemental pre-filed testimony and exhibits of Linda Bridwell in support of certain changes or adjustments made to its initial request. On January 20, 2015, TAWC filed its response to the Authority's request for certain information necessary to review and consider TAWC's proposed tariffs in this docket.

During the regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on January 12, 2015, the panel assigned in this docket voted unanimously to suspend the proposed tariffs for thirty (30) days,<sup>2</sup> convene a contested case proceeding, grant the *Petition to Intervene* filed by the Consumer Advocate, and appoint the Authority's General Counsel or her designee to act as Hearing Officer in this matter. In light of this action and consistent with Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 65-5-103(a) and (d), and the panel's delegation of authority, the Hearing Officer finds that the effectiveness of the proposed tariffs should be suspended an additional sixty (60) days, through and including April 14, 2015.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The effective date of the proposed tariffs filed Tennessee-American Water Company in this docket are hereby suspended an additional sixty (60) days, **through and including April 14**, **2015.** 

Kelly Cashman-Grams, Hearing Officer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The proposed tariffs had an initial effective date of January 13, 2015.