## BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE January 16, 2015 OPPOSITION OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TO THE PETITION OF TENNESSEE AMERICAN WATER COMPANY REGARDING 2015 INVESTMENT AND RELATED EXPENSES UNDER ALTERNATIVE REGULATORY MECHANISMS )

## ORDER APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER

This matter came before Chairman Herbert H. Hilliard, Director Kenneth C. Hill and Director Robin Bennett of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on January 12, 2015 to determine whether to appoint a Hearing Officer.

On November 19, 2014, the City of Chattanooga (the "City") filed a Complaint in Opposition of the City of Chattanooga opposing the proposed tariffs submitted by Tennessee-American Water Company ("TAWC") in Authority Docket No. 14-00121<sup>1</sup> and requesting that the Authority (1) initiate a contested case to hear the objections of the City of Chattanooga; (2) consolidate this case with Docket No. 14-00121; (3) order the suspension of the tariffs proposed in Docket No. 14-00121 pending a hearing; and (4) permit appropriate discovery and other proceedings. TAWC filed a Motion to Dismiss the Complaint in Opposition of the City of Chattanooga on December 5, 2014, and the City filed a Memorandum in Opposition to TAWC's Motion to Dismiss on December 17, 2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See In re: Petition of Tennessee-American Water Company Regarding the 2015 Investment and Related Expenses Under the Qualified Infrastructure Investment Program Rider, the Economic Development Investment Rider, and the Safety and Environmental Compliance Rider, Docket No. 14-00121.

During the Authority Conference, the Directors voted unanimously to appoint the Authority's General Counsel or her designee to act as Hearing Officer to prepare the motion to dismiss for hearing before the panel.

## IT IS SO ORDERED.

Chairman Herbert H. Hilliard, Director Kenneth C. Hill and Director Robin Bennett concur.

**ATTEST:** 

Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director