

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

March 11, 2015

IN RE:)	
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PETITION OF ATMOS ENERGY)	DOCKET NO.
CORPORATION FOR A GENERAL RATE)	14-00146
INCREASE UNDER T.C.A. 65-5-103(A) AND)	
ADOPTION OF AN ANNUAL RATE REVIEW)	
MECHANISM UNDER T.C.A. 65-5-103(D)(6))	

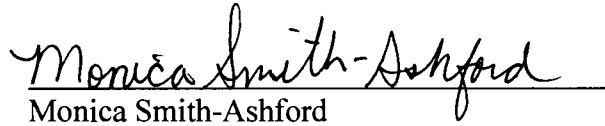
ORDER AMENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter came before the Hearing Officer of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (“Authority” or “TRA”) during a Status Conference held on March 9, 2015 with Atmos Energy Corporation (“Atmos”) and the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Tennessee Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate” or “CAPD”) (together, the “Parties”) to establish a procedural schedule for the Alternative Rate Review Mechanism (“ARM”) reinstated to Atmos’ *Petition* on February 18, 2015. The goal and design of any procedural schedule is to efficiently move the proceedings forward to a hearing and final conclusion on the merits. Nevertheless, a procedural schedule’s effectiveness directly depends on cooperation by the parties in meeting the individual benchmark dates.

On January 12, 2015, the Hearing Officer issued a procedural schedule in this matter for the general rate case portion of Atmos’ *Petition*. On March 4, 2015, the Parties emailed the Hearing Officer a proposed procedural schedule that included both the general rate case and the ARM. After considering the preferences of the parties discussed during the Status Conference, the Hearing Officer hereby establishes the Procedural Schedule set forth in Exhibit A attached to

this Order. In addition, the Hearing Officer reminds the Parties that Rebuttal Testimony should be limited only to issues raised in the Consumer Advocate's Direct Testimony and requests that Atmos' Rebuttal Testimony include the page and line number of the Consumer Advocate's testimony that is being rebutted.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED.


Monica Smith-Ashford
Hearing Officer

Procedural Schedule

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March 9, 2015

Due Date	Filing/Action
March 17, 2015	CAPD Discovery Requests Due Copies of all discovery exchanged between the parties shall be filed with the Authority within 3 days of the exchange of information. All spreadsheets shall be filed in Excel format with working formulas.
March 17, 2015	Atmos Responses to CAPD Informal Discovery Request No. 5 Due
March 31, 2015	Atmos Responses to CAPD March 17 Discovery Request Due
[TBD]	Status Conference on Discovery (if needed)
April 7, 2015	CAPD Pre-Filed Testimony Due
April 13, 2015	Atmos Discovery Requests Due
April 20, 2015	CAPD Discovery Responses Due
April 27, 2015	Atmos Pre-Filed Rebuttal Testimony Due Rebuttal Testimony should reference the page and line number of testimony being rebutted.
April 30, 2015	Pre-Hearing Conference
May 11, 2015	Hearing on the Merits- 9:00 a.m. (CDT)
June 1, 2015	Post-Hearing Briefs Due
June 15, 2015	TRA Deliberations (Target Date)

Exhibit A