

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

December 3, 2014

IN RE:

**PETITION OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION
FOR A GENERAL RATE 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)**

**DOCKET NO.
14-00146**

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

This matter came before Vice Chairman David F. Jones, 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 December 1, 2014 to determine whether to convene a contested case proceeding and appoint a Hearing Officer. On November 25, 2014, Atmos Energy Corporation filed a *Petition* requesting Authority approval of a general rate increase and an annual rate review mechanism.

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 establishing a procedural schedule, entering a protective order, and ruling on intervention requests and discovery issues.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Vice Chairman David F. Jones, Director Kenneth C. Hill and Director Robin Bennett concur.

ATTEST:



Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director