

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

<b>IN RE: PETITION OF KINGSPORT POWER )</b>	
<b>COMPANY d/b/a AEP APPALACHIAN )</b>	<b>Docket No. 15-00024</b>
<b>POWER FOR APPROVAL OF )</b>	
<b>A STORM DAMAGE RIDER TARIFF )</b>	

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**JOINT STATUS UPDATE**

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The Consumer Protection and Advocate Division<sup>1</sup> of the Office of the Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”) and Kingsport Power Company jointly submit this status update in this Docket 15-00024. The parties were unable to reach a settlement agreement and plan to proceed with a hearing on the merits during the Authority Conference scheduled for October 19, 2015.

The only contested issue at the hearing will be the allocation of 2013 storm damage costs across customer classes. The parties agree that recovery from the 2013 storm should total \$1,949,062. The parties agree that the additional recovery from the 2009 storm should total \$90,333. The parties agree that the 2009 storm damage costs should be allocated according to the Authority *Order* in Docket 12-00051, *In re: Petition of Kingsport Power Company d/b/a AEP Appalachian Power to Implement Storm Damage Rider Tariff for Recovery of Storm Costs*.

The Consumer Advocate’s agreement to the allocation of the 2009 storm rider costs in accordance with the prior *Order* should not be construed as agreement with or approval of a cost allocation that does not include industrial transmission customers. Rather, this position merely represents the Consumer Advocate’s desire to carry out the terms of a decided *Order*.

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that this name has changed from “Consumer Advocate and Protection Division” to “Consumer Protection and Advocate Division.”

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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