

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

July 6, 2015

IN RE:

PETITION OF KINGSPORT POWER COMPANY D/B/A
AEP APPALACHIAN POWER FOR APPROVAL OF
HOME WARRANTY PROGRAMS

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DOCKET NO.
15-00064

**ORDER CONVENING A CONTESTED CASE
AND 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 June 29, 2015 for the purpose of determining whether to convene a contested case proceeding and appoint a Hearing Officer.

On June 1, 2015, Kingsport Power Company d/b/a AEP Appalachian Power ("Kingsport") filed a *Petition for Approval of Home Warranty Programs* requesting Authority approval to offer Home Warranty Programs provided by HomeServe USA Corp. to Kingsport customers. A *Petition to Intervene* was filed on June 25, 2015 by the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General. Kingsport has not filed an objection to the *Petition to Intervene*.

During the Authority Conference, the Directors voted unanimously to convene a contested case proceeding and 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 discovery issues.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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

ATTEST:



Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director