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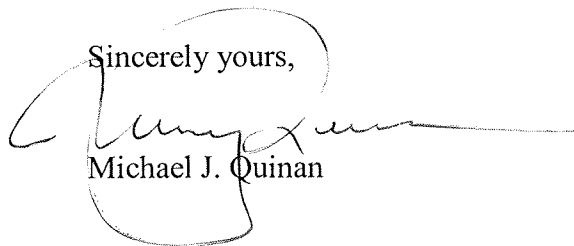
In Re: Petition of Kingsport Power Company
d/b/a AEP Appalachian Power
General Rate Case
Docket No. 16-00001

Dear Ms. Dillon:

Enclosed please find an original and four copies of a Petition to Intervene to be filed on behalf of East Tennessee Energy Consumers in the above-referenced docket.

Thank you for your kind attention to this request.

Sincerely yours,



Michael J. Quinan

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Enclosures

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

In Re:

**PETITION OF KINGSFORT POWER
COMPANY d/b/a AEP APPALACHIAN
POWER GENERAL RATE CASE**

DOCKET No. 16-00001

**PETITION TO INTERVENE OF
EAST TENNESSEE ENERGY CONSUMERS**

Comes East Tennessee Energy Consumers ("ETEC"), by counsel, pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 4-5-310 and 65-2-107 and the Rules and Regulations of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA" or "Authority"), and petitions to intervene in this docket as a party of record. In support of its Petition to Intervene, ETEC states as follows:

1. This proceeding was initiated upon the petition ("Petition") of Kingsport Power Company d/b/a AEP Appalachian Power ("KgPCo") for a general rate case. In its Petition, KgPCo seeks a rate change that will increase its annual revenues in the amount of \$12,118,173, which would provide a projected rate of return of 6.69% on an adjusted total rate base of approximately \$71.5 million, and a 10.66% rate of return on common equity.

2. KgPCo is a subsidiary of American Electric Power Company, Inc. ("AEP"), and is the electric distribution company ("EDC") for approximately 47,000 customers in its service territory, which consists of portions of Sullivan and Hawkins Counties, including

the City of Kingsport.

3. ETEC is a group of KgPCo's largest Industrial Power customers. ETEC's members include Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., Domtar Paper Company, Inc., Eastman Chemical Company and Wellmont Health Systems.

4. ETEC's members would be directly and adversely affected by implementation of the general rate increase requested by KgPCo. Their interests are not represented by any other party in this proceeding.

5. Discovery will be needed to identify and address the extent to which the proposed general rate increase, the terms of its implementation, and the resulting changes to KgPCo's tariff are or are not just and reasonable.

6. Accordingly, ETEC requests permission to intervene and participate in this contested case.

7. Granting ETEC's Petition to Intervene will not impair the interests of justice or the orderly and prompt conduct of these proceedings.

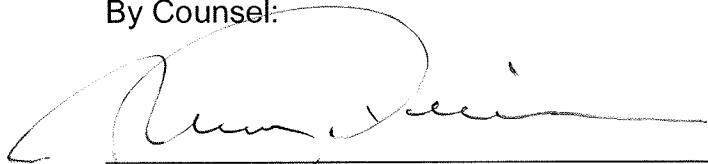
8. All notices, correspondence, pleadings, copies of orders, communications and other materials should be addressed to counsel for the Industrial Customers as follows:

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WHEREFORE, ETEC respectfully requests that the Authority grant this Petition to Intervene and enter an Order allowing ETEC to become an intervening party of record in this docket.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of February, 2016.

By Counsel:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael J. Quinan", is written over a horizontal line.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on February 3, 2016, the foregoing pleading was served by hand-delivery, facsimile, overnight delivery service, or first class mail, postage prepaid, to all parties of record at their addresses shown below

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This 3rd day of February, 2016.



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