

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

October 11, 2016

IN RE:

**PETITION OF ATMOS ENERGY FOR
APPROVAL OF 2016 ANNUAL
RECONCILIATION FILING**

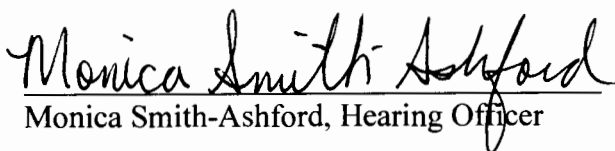
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16-00105**

ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter is before the Hearing Officer of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (“Authority” or “TRA”) to establish a procedural schedule for the orderly administration of these proceedings. 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. Based on the joint proposed procedural schedule submitted to the Hearing Officer by the parties, the Hearing Officer hereby establishes the Procedural Schedule set forth in **Exhibit A** attached to this Order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED.


Monica Smith-Ashford, Hearing Officer

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PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

October 11, 2016

Due Date	Filing
September 30, 2016	Consumer Advocate's First Round Discovery Requests
October 7, 2016	Atmos' Responses to First Round Discovery Requests
October 24, 2016	Consumer Advocate's Second Round Discovery Requests
November 1, 2016	Atmos' Responses to Second Round Discovery Requests
November 30, 2016	Consumer Advocate's Pre-filed Testimony
December 7, 2016	Atmos' Discovery Requests
December 13, 2016	Consumer Advocate's Discovery Responses
December 21, 2016	Atmos' Pre-filed Rebuttal Testimony*
January 17, 2017	Target Date for Hearing on the Merits

* Atmos' Rebuttal Testimony should be limited to issues raised in the Consumer Advocate's Direct Testimony, and Atmos' Rebuttal Testimony should include the page and line number of the Intervenor's testimony that is being rebutted.

EXHIBIT A