

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

IN RE:	June 30, 2017)	
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PETITION OF INTEGRA WATER TENNESSEE, LLC FOR A CCN AND AUTHORITY TO CHARGE RATES IN CASEY COVE SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN DEKALB COUNTY, TENNESSEE)	DOCKET NO.
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ORDER SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter came before the Hearing Officer of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (“Commission” or “TPUC”) at a Status Conference held June 22, 2017, with the Consumer Protection and Advocate Division of the Office of the Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”) and Integra Water Tennessee, LLC (“Integra”).

RELEVANT BACKGROUND

On February 8, 2017, Integra filed its *Initial Petition for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity by Integra Water, LLC* (“*Petition*”) requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (“CCN”) to provide service to Casey Cove Subdivision (“Casey Cove”) located in Dekalb County, Tennessee. The Consumer Advocate filed a *Petition to Intervene* which was granted by the Hearing Officer on March 16, 2017, and the Hearing Officer issued a Procedural Schedule on April 19, 2017.

On May 8, 2017, the Consumer Advocate filed a letter to Integra asking whether Integra intended to amend its *Petition* to address a discrepancy in rates to be charged to customers and if so, when the amended petition would be filed. The Consumer Advocate also stated that a new

procedural schedule was necessary. On May 9, 2017, the Hearing Officer suspended the April 19, 2017, Procedural Schedule and asked the parties to confer and submit a revised proposed procedural schedule. On May 16, 2017, the Hearing Officer requested a proposed amended procedural schedule by May 19, 2017. On May 17, 2017, Integra emailed the Hearing Officer that it would amend its *Petition* by May 19, 2017, and would respond to the Consumer Advocate's May 9, 2017, discovery requests by May 23, 2017. In addition, Integra indicated that if an extension to the current procedural schedule issued on April 19, 2017, was necessary, the parties would confer on an amended schedule.

On May 30, 2017, the Consumer Advocate filed a letter to Integra pointing out several deficiencies that remain even after the filing of the *Amendment to Petition for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity by Integra Water Tennessee, LLC* ("Amended Petition"). The Consumer Advocate also provided examples of some of the deficiencies it had discovered in Integra's *Amended Petition*. The Consumer Advocate reiterated its position that a new procedural schedule was necessary. On June 1, 2017, the Hearing Officer convened a Status Conference by telephone to address the issues in the Consumer Advocate's May 30, 2017, letter. During the Status Conference, Integra stated it would make additional filings to address the deficiencies indicated by the Consumer Advocate by June 8, 2017. Also, Integra stated it would file all discovery responses to both the Consumer Advocate and to TPUC Staff data requests in the docket file in a few days following the date of the Status Conference. In addition, the parties agreed to submit a joint proposed amended procedural schedule for the Hearing Officer's consideration by June 16, 2017.

On June 15, 2017, the Consumer Advocate filed a letter to Integra and to the Hearing Officer stating that Integra's June 5, 2017, responses to discovery and data requests do not

address the deficiencies indicated by the Consumer Advocate. The Consumer Advocate maintained that it cannot develop a new procedural schedule with Integra until the deficiencies in the proposed tariff and *Amended Petition* are addressed. The Consumer Advocate requested a Status Conference to “obtain guidance on how to proceed.”

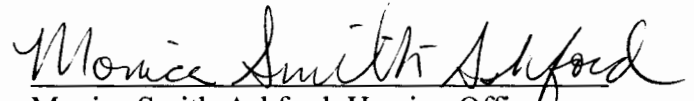
JUNE 22, 2017, STATUS CONFERENCE

The Hearing Officer convened a Status Conference on June 22, 2017, to address the concerns expressed by the Consumer Advocate in its June 15, 2017, letter. During the Status Conference, the parties discussed the deficiencies in Integra’s *Amended Petition* and in responses to data and discovery requests. Integra agreed to address the deficiencies and supplement its filings. The Hearing Officer expressed the importance that all discovery and data responses be filed in the docket file within three days of being served and that the TPUC docket filing include all financial spreadsheets in excel format with formulas intact. Due to the volume of the filings, they may be placed on a flash drive and filed with the TPUC docket manager. The Hearing Officer stated that the Procedural Schedule would remain suspended until Integra addresses the deficiencies and files a proposed tariff. After those items are filed in the docket file, the parties will submit a proposed procedural schedule for the Hearing Officer’s consideration.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Procedural Schedule issued on April 19, 2017, is suspended until the issuance of an Amended Procedural Schedule.
2. All data responses and discovery responses, including workpapers and spreadsheets in Excel format with formulas intact, must be filed in the docket file within three days after they are served.

3. The parties will submit a proposed procedural schedule to the Hearing Officer after Integra Water Tennessee, LLC addresses deficiencies in the *Amendment to Petition for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity by Integra Water Tennessee, LLC* and files a proposed tariff.


Monica Smith-Ashford, Hearing Officer