

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

January 8, 2019

IN RE:)	
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PETITION OF TENNESSEE WASTEWATER)	DOCKET NO.
SYSTEMS, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF A)	18-00037
SPECIAL CONTRACT)	

ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

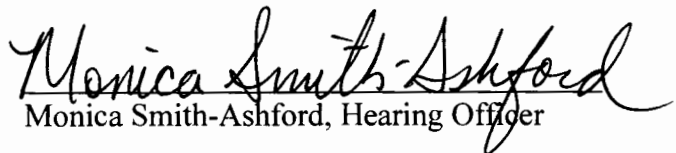
This matter is before the Hearing Officer of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (“Commission” or “TPUC”) to establish a procedural schedule for the orderly administration of these proceedings. During a telephone Status Conference held on December 20, 2018, between the parties, Tennessee Wastewater Systems, Inc. (“TWSI”) and the Consumer Protection and Advocate Division of the Office of the Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”) to discuss bifurcating the excess capacity issues from the special contract issues in this docket. After discussing the issues with the parties, the Hearing Officer determined that the excess capacity issues were convoluted and could possibly increase the time it would take to bring this matter to a hearing on the merits, and it was important that TWSI have the special contract considered in a more timely manner. Therefore, the Hearing Officer concluded that the excess capacity issues should not be considered at this time, but rather the parties should focus only on issues pertaining to the special contract. The parties agreed with this course of action.

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. The attached procedural schedule pertains to the special contract portion of this docket. The excess capacity issues will be addressed at a later time either in this docket or in a new docket, as determined by the Commission. Based on a proposed procedural schedule jointly submitted by the parties, the Hearing Officer adopts the Procedural Schedule attached as Exhibit A.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Procedural Schedule set forth in **Exhibit A** attached to this Order is established.
2. The issues regarding excess capacity in this docket will be considered at a later date, either in a continuation of this docket or in a new docket, as determined by the Commission.


Monica Smith-Ashford, Hearing Officer

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Due Date	Filing
January 4, 2019	Consumer Advocate's First Discovery Request
January 22, 2019	TWSI's Responses to the First Discovery Request
February 8, 2019	Consumer Advocate's Second Discovery Request
February 25, 2019	TWSI's Responses to the Second Discovery Request
March 25, 2019	Consumer Advocate's Pre-filed Testimony
April 1, 2019	TWSI's Discovery Request
April 15, 2019	Consumer Advocate's Discovery Responses
April 22, 2019	TWSI's Pre-filed Rebuttal Testimony
May 6, 2019	Pre-hearing Motions
May 13, 2019	Pre-Hearing Telephone Conference
May 20, 2019	Target Hearing Date

- Nothing herein restricts the parties from voluntarily participating in additional informal discovery.
- Copies of all discovery exchanged between the parties shall be filed with TPUC within 3 working days of the exchange of information.
- For all spreadsheets, a copy shall be filed in Excel format with working formulas intact. This includes spreadsheets that are exhibits to Pre-filed Testimony.
- Rebuttal Testimony is limited only to issues raised in the Consumer Advocate's Direct Testimony and should include the page and line number of the Consumer Advocate's testimony that is being rebutted.

EXHIBIT A