

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

April 3, 2019

IN RE:

**PETITION OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS
COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF AN INTEGRITY
MANAGEMENT RIDER TO ITS APPROVED RATE
SCHEDULES AND SERVICE REGULATIONS**

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**DOCKET NO.
18-00126**

ORDER RE-SUSPENDING TARIFF THROUGH MAY 20, 2019

This matter is before the Hearing Officer appointed by the voting panel of Commissioners of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (“Commission” or “TPUC”) and designated by General Counsel to administer certain preliminary issues that may arise during the preparation of this matter for hearing before the Commission. On November 30, 2018, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-103 *et seq.*, Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (“Piedmont” or the “Company”) filed its Integrity Management Rider mechanism annual filing and proposed annual rate adjustment for January 1, 2019.

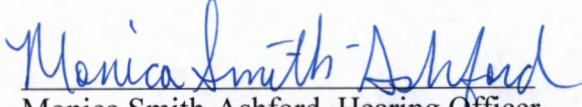
Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-103(a) permits the Commission, pending a hearing and determination, to suspend any rate increase, change, or alteration for an initial period not to exceed three months from the proposed effective date of such increase, change, or alteration.¹ The Hearing Officer initially suspended the tariff through March 11, 2019; however, because the Commission’s investigation, hearing, and final determination on the Company’s proposed tariff

¹ Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-103(a) (2015).

could not be completed by that date, the Hearing Officer hereby re-suspends the effectiveness of the tariff through May 20, 2019.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The effective date of the proposed Sixtieth Revised Sheet No. 1 filed by Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. on November 30, 2018, is hereby re-suspended **through May 20, 2019**, or until further order of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission, whichever occurs sooner.



Monica Smith-Ashford, Hearing Officer