BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

February 27, 2020

IN RE:

PETITION OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS)

COMPANY, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF AN)

INTEGRITY MANAGEMENT RIDER TO ITS)

APPROVED RATE SCHEDULES AND SERVICE)

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. At the request of the Hearing Officer, Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Piedmont" or the "Company") and the Consumer Advocate Unit in the Financial Division of the Office of the Attorney General ("Consumer Advocate"), the parties in this matter, filed the *Joint Filing of Proposed Procedural Schedule* on February 10, 2020. 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 agreements made by Piedmont and the Consumer Advocate regarding the procedural schedule, the Hearing Officer hereby establishes the Procedural Schedule set forth in **Exhibit A** attached to this Order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED.

REGULATIONS

Monica Smith-Ashford, Hearing Officer

PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE Docket No. 19-00107

February 27, 2020

Due Date	Piling/Activity
January 10, 2020	Consumer Advocate's 1st Discovery Requests
January 24, 2020	Piedmont's Responses to First Discovery Requests
February 10, 2020	Consumer Advocate's 2 nd Discovery Requests
February 24, 2020	Piedmont's Responses to 2 nd Discovery Requests
February 25, 2020	Motion to Compel (if needed)
February 26, 2020	Response to Motion to Compel (if needed)
February 27, 2020	Status Conference (if needed)
March 6, 2020	Consumer Advocate's Pre-Filed Testimony
March 6, 2020	Consumer Advocate submits workpapers
March 9, 2020	Piedmont's Discovery Requests
March 17, 2020	Consumer Advocate's Discovery Responses
March 24, 2020	Piedmont's Pre-Filed Rebuttal Testimony
April 3, 2020	Pre-Hearing Motions
April 3, 2020	Pre-Hearing Status Conference
April 13, 2020	Target Date for Hearing on the Merits

- > All filings shall be filed in the TPUC docket room by 2:00 p.m. (central) on the date due.
- > Nothing herein restricts the parties from participating in additional informal discovery.
- > Copies of all discovery exchanged between the parties shall be filed with TPUC within 3 business 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.