

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

August 25, 2020

IN RE:)	
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PETITION OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS)	DOCKET NO.
COMPANY, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF AN)	20-00086
ADJUSTMENT OF RATES, CHARGES, AND)	
TARIFFS APPLICABLE TO SERVICE IN)	
TENNESSEE)	

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. 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 a *Further Revised Proposed Procedural Schedule* on August 21, 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 *Further Revised Proposed Procedural Schedule*, the Hearing Officer hereby establishes the Procedural Schedule set forth in **Exhibit A** attached to this Order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED.

Monica Smith-Ashford

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Hearing Officer

PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Docket No. 20-00086

August 25, 2020

Due Date	Filing/Activity
	Filing of Petition
	Consumer Advocate First Discovery Requests
September 8, 2020	Piedmont Responses to First Discovery Requests
September 23, 2020	Consumer Advocate Second Discovery Requests
October 12, 2020	Piedmont Responses to Second Discovery Requests
October 21, 2020	Consumer Advocate Third Discovery Requests
November 6, 2020	Piedmont Responses to Third Discovery Requests
November 30, 2020	Consumer Advocate Pre-filed Direct Testimony
December 3, 2020	Piedmont Discovery Requests to Consumer Advocate
December 11, 2020	Consumer Advocate Responses to Piedmont Discovery Requests
December 16, 2020	Piedmont Pre-filed Rebuttal Testimony
January 4, 2021	Pre-Hearing Motions
January 6, 2021	Pre-Hearing Conference
January 11-15, 2021	Target Hearing Date (assumes TPUC Conference Date)
February 1, 2021 (subject to transcript)	Post Hearing Briefs of Parties

- All filings shall be filed with the TPUC docket room by 2:00 p.m. (central) on the date due.
- 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 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.