

**IN THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

IN RE:)	
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DOCKET TO COLLECT AND CONSIDER)	
INFORMATION RELEVANT TO)	
COMMISSION PRACTICE AND)	DOCKET NO. 21-00018
PROCEDURE FOR RULEMAKING ON)	
TENN. R. AND REGS. 1220-01-01, 1220-01-02,)	
AND OTHER SECTIONS AS DETERMINED)	
RELEVANT)	

MOTION TO FILE SUPPLEMENTAL COMMENTS AFTER THE DEADLINE

The Consumer Advocate Division of the Office of the Tennessee Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”), pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-2-102(a)(4) and the *Notice of Deadline for Filing Comments*, respectfully submits its *Motion to File Supplemental Comments After the Deadline* to the Tennessee Public Utility Commission’s (“TPUC” or the “Commission”) for consideration in this proceeding. Specifically, the Consumer Advocate respectfully requests additional time and an opportunity to review and respond to the proposed rule on the issue of public notice in response to the consumer comments on this issue in TPUC Docket No. 24-00044.

On February 25, 2021, the Commission held a workshop in this Docket to facilitate discussion concerning the Commission’s intention to amend and update its practice and procedure rules. At the conclusion of the Workshop, the attendees were directed to provide a status report to the Commission of the participants’ progress on reaching an agreement on proposed rule amendments by March 19, 2021. Although substantive discussions took place, the participants were unable to reach an agreement on any proposed amendments to the rules.

As requested, on March 19, 2021, the Consumer Advocate filed a status report on the

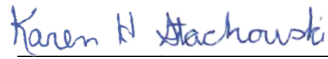
informal discussions among the stakeholders, as did a designated representative for the utility stakeholder participants. Based on those stakeholder status reports, the Commission decided to keep the docket open to receive filed comments for an additional 30 days, or through April 19, 2021. From February 21, 2021—the original deadline for comments to be filed—to April 18, 2021, Chattanooga Gas Company and the Consumer Advocate were the only participants that filed written comments in the Docket. By the second deadline to file comments, Kingsport Power Company and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. filed comments. On April 19, 2021, the Consumer Advocate moved to file supplemental comments in response to these filings, and the motion was granted. On May 3, 2021, the Consumer Advocate filed supplemental comments.

On February 24, 2025, the Commission issued a Notice of Rulemaking Hearing scheduled for Tuesday, April 22, 2025. However, since the Consumer Advocate's first supplemental comments, a petition for a rate increase was filed and assigned TPUC Docket No. 24-00044. In this rate case docket, close to 300 utility customers filed comments with many of the customers complaining about the lack of notice. Customers complained about both the timing and content of public notices about the proposed rate increases. As a result of the numerous customer complaints, the Consumer Advocates respectfully requests additional time and the opportunity to provide comments on the issue of public notice.

CONCLUSION

The Consumer Advocate thanks the Commission for allowing its participation in this matter and respectfully requests additional time and the opportunity to address the issue of public notice.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



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