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Chairman Kenneth C. Hill Tennessee Public Utility Commission c/o Tory Lawless 502 Deaderick Street, Fourth Floor Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Re:

Docket No. 21-00094

Joint Request of Chattanooga Gas Company and Kordsa, Inc. for Approval of

Special Contract

Dear Chairman Hill:

On behalf of Kordsa. Inc., please accept the attached affidavit in support of Kordsa's "Motion to Grant Interim Approval of Special Contract, Subject to Hearing and True-up" filed November 17, 2021.

Please call me at 615.252.2363 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

BRADLEY ARANT BOULT CUMMINGS, LLP

By

Henry Walker

HW/mf Enclosures





# Affidavit of Ben Gibson.pdf

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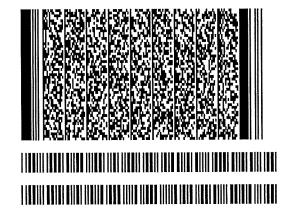
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I, Stephanie Covington, did witness the participants named above electronically sign this document.



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### Affidavit of Ben Gibson

My name is Ben Gibson. I am the North American Supply Chain Manager for Kordsa, Inc. and report directly to Kadir Toplu, the Chief Operating Officer for Kordsa's operations in North and South America. I have filed testimony in Docket 21-00094 concerning Kordsa's plans to build and operate a natural gas line connecting Kordsa's Chattanooga plant to the nearby East Tennessee Natural Gas Pipeline, bypassing the facilities of Chattanooga Gas. As stated in my testimony, Kordsa has obtained the necessary easements to build the bypass line, confirmed the availability of a tap from East Tennessee Natural Gas, hired a contractor to build the line and obtained management approval to start the project. We were ready to begin building the line in June, 2021 when Chattanooga Gas contacted Kordsa requesting that we enter into a Special Contract at a discounted rate rather than bypass CGC. Kordsa agreed to pause our plans and negotiated a Special Contract with CGC. Today, however, Kordsa is still paying CGC's tariffed rates.

The purpose of this affidavit is twofold. First, I want to make clear that Mr. Toplu has approved building the bypass line and that no approval from Kordsa's corporate board in Turkey is required for this project.

The second purpose of this affidavit is to state that if Kordsa cannot begin receiving the benefit of the Special Contract rates, Kordsa is prepared to go ahead and build the bypass line. The line can be completed in six months. After it is built, Kordsa and any future manufacturing facility that occupies this site will no longer be customers of Chattanooga Gas. To avoid that result, Kordsa asks that the Commission grant interim approval of the Special Contract subject to a hearing and a true-up if necessary.



Further, Affiant Sayeth Not.

Benjamin Mark Gibson

Ben Gibson

State of Tennessee

County of Davidson

Personally appeared before me, Ben Gibson, the within named Affiant, with whom I am personally acquainted (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence), and who acknowledged that he executed the within instrument for the purposes therein contained.

Witness my hand, at office, this 19th day of November, 2021.

Notary's Signature

My commission expires: 1/8/24

(SEAL)

STEPHANIE G. COVINGTON

Tennessee Notary Public

Online Notary Public

Davidson County, State Of Tennessee

My Commission Expires Jan 08, 2024

Notarial act performed by audio-visual communication

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served via either U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, or email to the following this 19 to day of November, 2021:

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