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BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

IN RE:)	
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PETITION OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS)	DOCKET NO.
COMPANY, INC. TO ADOPT AN ANNUAL)	21-00135
REVIEW OF RATES MECHANISM PURSUANT)	
TO TENN. CODE ANN.§ 65-5-103(d)(6))	

ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter came before the Hearing Officer of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission ("Commission" or "TPUC") at a Status Conference held on August 29, 2022, to establish a procedural schedule for the orderly administration of these proceedings. Piedmont Natural Gas Company ("Piedmont" or the "Company") and the Consumer Advocate Unit in the Financial Division of the Office of the Tennessee Attorney General ("Consumer Advocate"), the parties in this matter, were represented during the Status Conference. 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.

Monica Smith-Ashford, Hearing Officer

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PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Docket No. 21-00135

August 29, 2022

Due Date/Deadline	Filing/Activity	
September 2, 2022	Consumer Advocate's Discovery Requests	
September 9, 2022	Piedmont's Responses to Discovery Requests	
September 16, 2022	Consumer Advocate's Pre-Filed Testimony	
September 23, 2022	Piedmont's Pre-Filed Rebuttal Testimony	
September 29, 2022	Pre-Hearing Telephone Status Conference	
October 10, 2022	Target Hearing Date	

- ➤ 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 Intervenor's Direct Testimony and should include the page and line number of the Intervenor's testimony that is being rebutted.