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Chairman Herbert H. Hilliard
c/o Ms. Tory Lawless, Docket Manager
Tennessee Public Utility Commission
502 Deaderick Street, 4th Floor
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

RE: TPUC Docket No. 21-00135, *Petition of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. to Adopt an Annual Review of Rates Mechanism Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-103(d)(6)*

Dear Chairman Hilliard:

The Consumer Advocate Division in the Office of the Tennessee Attorney General ("Consumer Advocate") has reviewed the *Amendment to Proposed Annual Mechanism Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 65-5-103(d)(1)(C)*; the amended Service Schedule No. 318; and the Second Supplemental Testimony of Bruce P. Barkley on Behalf of Piedmont Natural Gas Company filed on August 26, 2022. The Consumer Advocate also reviewed Piedmont Natural Gas Company's Responses to the Consumer Advocate's Third Discovery Request filed on September 9, 2022. After reviewing these filings, we write to inform the Commission and all parties that the Consumer Advocate has no opposition to the Amended Proposed Annual Mechanism.

The Consumer Advocate appreciates that the Company's openness to a third round of discovery and information-sharing to address any concerns or issues we had.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karen H Stachowski".

Karen H. Stachowski
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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