

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

May 18, 2023

IN RE:

**CHATTANOOGA GAS COMPANY PETITION
FOR APPROVAL OF ITS 2022 ANNUAL RATE
REVIEW FILING PURSUANT TO TENN. CODE
ANN. § 65-5-103(d)(6)**

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**DOCKET NO.
23-00029**

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. Chattanooga Gas Company (“CGC”) filed a proposed procedural schedule with its Petition on April 20, 2023. On May 12, 2023, the Consumer Advocate Division of the Office of the Tennessee Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”) was permitted to intervene. The goal and design of any procedural schedule is to efficiently move the proceedings forward to a hearing and final conclusion on the merits. The procedural schedule should also allow adequate time for Commission Staff to analyze the docket filings, make recommendations to the voting panel of Commissioners, and submit the recommendations to the panel for their timely review and analysis. A procedural schedule’s effectiveness directly depends on cooperation by the parties in meeting the individual benchmark dates. Based on the agreements made by CGC 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

Monica Smith-Ashford, Hearing Officer

PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

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Filing/Activity	Due Date
CGC ARM Petition, Testimony, and Exhibits filed at TPUC and served on Consumer Advocate	Thursday, April 20, 2023
Informal Discovery Meeting, All Parties and Staff invited (attendance optional)	April 26-28, 2023*
Consumer Advocate First Discovery Requests served on CGC	Friday, May 5, 2023
CGC responds to Consumer Advocate First Discovery Requests	Friday, May 19, 2023
Informal Discovery Meeting with all Parties and Staff (attendance optional)	Wednesday, May 24, 2023*
Consumer Advocate serves Second Discovery Requests on CGC	Friday, May 26, 2023
CGC responds to Consumer Advocate Second Discovery Requests	Friday, June 2, 2022
Informal Discovery Meeting (attendance optional)	Friday, June 9, 2023*
Consumer Advocate Pre-Filed Testimony	Friday, June 16, 2023
Case Status Meeting of the Parties (optional for the benefit of the parties)	Wednesday, June 21, 2023 or as applicable*
CGC Discovery Requests to Consumer Advocate	Friday, June 23, 2023
Consumer Advocate responds to CGC Discovery Requests	Friday, July 7, 2023
CGC Pre-Filed Rebuttal Testimony (or testimony in support of the settlement if one is reached)	Monday, July 17, 2023
Pre-Hearing Motions	Friday, July 21, 2023*
Settlement Agreement must be filed (if settlement is reached)	Monday, July 24, 2023
Pre-Hearing Telephone Conference	Friday, July 28, 2023*
Hearing Date	Monday, August 14, 2023

➤ 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. All spreadsheets shall be filed in Excel format with working formulas intact.
- Any Pre-filed Testimony should include all supporting worksheets in Excel format with working formulas intact.
- Rebuttal Testimony should be 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.