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August 1, 2023

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

David Jones, Chairman c/o Ectory Lawless Tennessee Public Utility Commission 502 Deaderick Street, Fourth Floor Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Re: Petition of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. For Approval of its 2023 Annual Review of Rates Mechanism Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-103(d)(6)
Docket No. 23-00035

Dear Chairman Jones:

Pursuant to the Joint Proposed Procedural Schedule and Hearing Officer, Monica Smith-Ashford's, May 31, 2023, email regarding docket procedures, enclosed for filing please find an original and four (4) copies of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.'s ("Piedmont") response to the Consumer Advocate Division's informal discovery request, which was provided to the Consumer Advocate Division via email on July 27, 2023.

This material is also being filed today by way of email to the Tennessee Public Utility Commission docket manager, Ectory Lawless. Please file the original and provide a "filed" stamped copy of the same via email.

If you have any questions regarding this response, you may reach me at the number shown above.

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Sincerely yours,

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ADIT Explanations:

1. I'm reviewing Attachment 1-9. What are the transactions giving rise to the ADIT Debit balance for Code T22B01 described as "Tax Intang for interconnection"? This line item can be found in any of the DBR tabs.

Response: The ADIT Debit balance for Code T22B01 described as "Tax Intang for interconnection" relates to contributions in aid of construction that Piedmont paid for interconnects to the Transco system. Tax is amortizing these over 180 months.

Name and title of responsible person: John Panizza, Director - Tax Operations

Name and title of preparer: Chris Nelson, Tax Manager & Brian Neiheisel, Senior Tax Manager

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2. Re 1-9. Are the ADIT balances reflected in accounts 254054, 254055, and separately 254150 exclusively related to the 2017 federal tax rate change, or are either in part or in whole related to a state tax rate change in North Carolina?

Response: The balances in accounts 0254054, 254055, and 254150 are regulatory liabilities that all relate to state tax rate changes.

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3. What is the nature of the ADIT balance under Code AT_Oth_282_ST_SEDIT and AT_Oth_282_SEDIT in the amounts of \$11,454,807 and (\$2,405,509) for the Tennessee jurisdiction.

Response: The ADIT balances in codes AT_Oth_282_ST_SEDIT and AT_Oth_282_SEDIT represent the estimated reduction to 282 ADIT for the forthcoming NC rate decrease that is scheduled to begin in 2025 and decrease through 2030.

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