BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

September 28, 2023

| IN RE: |) | |
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| JOINT APPLICATION OF LIMESTONE WATER |) | DOCKET NO. |
| UTILITY OPERATING COMPANY, LLC AND |) | 23-00037 |
| INTEGRATED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, |) | |
| INC. D/B/A IRM UTILITY, INC., FOR |) | |
| APPROVAL OF THE ACQUISITION OF AND TO |) | |
| OPERATE THE WASTEWATER SYSTEM OF |) | |
| INTEGRATED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, |) | |
| INC. D/B/A IRM UTILITY, INC. AND TO |) | |
| TRANSFER OR ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF |) | |
| PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY |) | |

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. At the request of the Hearing Officer, Limestone Water Utility Operating Company, LLC ("Limestone" or the "Company"), Integrated Resource Management, Inc. d/b/a IRM Utility, Inc., and the Consumer Advocate Division in the Office of the Tennessee Attorney General ("Consumer Advocate"), the parties in this matter, filed the *Joint Filing of Proposed Procedural Schedule* on September 25, 2023. 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 the Parties 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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| Due Date | Filing/Activity | |
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| September 7, 2023 | Consumer Advocate's First Discovery Request | |
| September 21, 2023 | Joint Petitioners' Responses to First Discovery Request | |
| October 2, 2023 | Consumer Advocate's Second Discovery Request | |
| October 13, 2023 | Joint Petitioners' Responses to Second Discovery Request | |
| November 3, 2023 | Consumer Advocate's Pre-Filed Testimony | |
| November 13, 2023 | Joint Petitioners' Discovery Request | |
| November 20, 2023 | Consumer Advocate's Response to Discovery | |
| November 28, 2023 | Joint Petitioners' Pre-Filed Rebuttal Testimony | |
| January 4, 2024 | Pre-Hearing Motions | |
| January 8, 2024 | Pre-Hearing Telephone Status Conference | |
| January 17, 2024 | 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 Consumer Advocate's Direct Testimony and should include the page and line number of the Consumer Advocate's testimony that is being rebutted.