

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

August 22, 2023

IN RE:

ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION NOTICE OF
FILING DEPRECIATION STUDY AND
REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF NEW
DEPRECIATION RATES

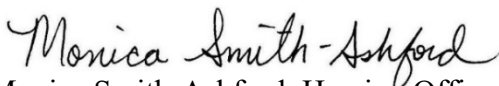
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DOCKET NO.
23-00050

ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter came 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. On August 2, 2023, Atmos Energy Corporation (“Atmos Energy” or the “Company”) and the Consumer Advocate Division of the Office of the Tennessee Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”) filed a *Joint Proposed Procedural Schedule* (“*Proposed Procedural Schedule*”) setting forth a proposed schedule for the progression of the docket. 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 *Proposed Procedural Schedule* filed by Atmos Energy and the Consumer Advocate, 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

PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Docket No. 23-00050

August 21, 2023

| Due Date/Deadline | Filing/Activity |
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| August 4, 2023 | Consumer Advocate's First Discovery Request |
| August 14, 2023 | Atmos Energy's Response to First Discovery Request |
| August 25, 2023 | Consumer Advocate's Second Discovery Request |
| September 5, 2023 | Atmos Energy's Response to Second Discovery |
| September 22, 2023 | Consumer Advocate's Pre-Filed Testimony |
| October 13, 2023 | Atmos Energy's Pre-Filed Rebuttal Testimony |
| October 16, 2023 | Settlement Agreement Filed (if applicable) |
| October 30, 2023 | Pre-Hearing Status Conference |
| November 6, 2023 | 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.