

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

January 29, 2024

IN RE:)
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JOINT APPLICATION OF LIMESTONE)
WATER UTILITY OPERATING)
COMPANY, LLC AND CUMBERLAND)
BASIN WASTEWATER SYSTEMS, LLC)
FOR APPROVAL OF THE)
ACQUISITION OF AND TO OPERATE)
THE WASTEWATER SYSTEM OF)
CUMBERLAND BASIN WASTEWATER)
SYSTEMS, LLC, AND TO ISSUE A)
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)

**DOCKET NO.
23-00077**

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”) and Cumberland Basin Wastewater Systems, LLC (“Cumberland Basin”) (together “Joint Petitioners”), and the Consumer Advocate Division in the Office of the Tennessee Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”), the parties in this matter, filed the Parties’ *Joint Proposed Procedural Schedule* on January 26, 2024. 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, Hearing Officer

EXHIBIT A

PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

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Due Date/Deadline	Filing/Activity
February 8, 2024	Consumer Advocate's First Discovery Request
February 29, 2024	Joint Petitioners' Response to First Discovery Request
March 6, 2024	Consumer Advocate's Second Discovery Request
March 20, 2024	Joint Petitioners' Response to Second Discovery Request
April 10, 2024	Consumer Advocate's Pre-Filed Testimony
May 1, 2024	Joint Petitioners' Pre-Filed Rebuttal Testimony
May 10, 2024	Pre-Hearing Motions
May 13, 2024	Pre-Hearing Telephone Status Conference
May 20, 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.