

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

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| IN RE: |) | |
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| JOINT APPLICATION OF LIMESTONE WATER |) | DOCKET NO. |
| UTILITY OPERATING COMPANY, LLC AND |) | 24-00034 |
| BRIDGET J. WILHITE, AS ADMINISTRATOR CTA |) | |
| OF THE ESTATE OF GLENNA NEWPORT, FOR |) | |
| APPROVAL OF THE ACQUISITION OF AND TO |) | |
| OPERATE THE NEWPORT RESORT WATER |) | |
| SYSTEM, AND TO TRANSFER OR ISSUE A |) | |
| CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND |) | |
| NECESSITY |) | |

**ORDER SUSPENDING AMENDED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE FOR THIRTY DAYS
AND ESTABLISHING SECOND AMENDED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

This matter is before the Administrative Judge of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (“Commission” or “TPUC”) for consideration of Limestone Water Utility Operating Company, LLC’s (“Limestone”) *Request to Suspend Procedural Schedule* (“*Request*”) filed on November 1, 2024. Limestone requests that the procedural schedule in this matter be suspended for sixty (60) days to give Limestone and Rhea County and North Utility District of Rhea County (together “NUDRC”) time to continue negotiations. On November 6, 2024, the Administrative Judge convened a Status Conference with Limestone, Bridget Wilhite, Administrator of the Newport Estate, NUDRC, and the Consumer Advocate Division of the Office of the Tennessee Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”), the parties in this matter, to discuss Limestone’s *Request*. Ms. Wilhite expressed concern about having a specific hearing date due to excessive costs being incurred by the estate for water service.

The Administrative Judge finds that while it is important for this matter be resolved as quickly as possible, it is also beneficial that the parties be given adequate time to attempt to resolve this

complex matter. Therefore, the Administrative Judge concludes the *Amended Procedural Schedule* established on October 23, 2024, should be suspended for thirty (30) days from November 7, 2024. Upon conclusion of the thirty (30) day suspension, the Administrative Judge establishes the *Second Amended Procedural Schedule* set forth in **Exhibit A** attached to this Order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED.


Monica Smith-Ashford, Administrative Judge

SECOND AMENDED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Docket No. 24-00034

November 19, 2024

| Due Date/Deadline | Filing/Activity |
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| December 6, 2024 | Parties meet and discuss the Settlement Agreement (if applicable) |
| December 13, 2024 | Consumer Advocate and Limestone Supplemental Testimony |
| December 20, 2024 | Pre-Filed Rebuttal Testimony |
| December 30, 2024 | Settlement Agreement Must Be Filed (if applicable) |
| January 3, 2025 | Pre-Hearing Motions |
| January 8, 2025 | Pre-Hearing Telephone Status Conference |
| January 21, 2025 | 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 voluntarily 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 submitted 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.