

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE
June 24, 2024**

IN RE:)	
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PETITION OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS)	DOCKET NO.
COMPANY, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF ITS 2024)	24-00036
ANNUAL REVIEW OF RATES MECHANISM)	
PURSUANT TO TENN. CODE ANN. § 65-5-)	
103(d)(6))	

ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter came before the Administrative Judge of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (“Commission” or “TPUC”) to establish a procedural schedule for the orderly administration of these proceedings. On May 20, 2024, Piedmont Natural Gas Company (“Piedmont” or the “Company”) and the Consumer Advocate Division of the Office of the Tennessee Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”) filed a *Joint Filing of Proposed Procedural Schedule* setting forth a proposed schedule. Subsequently, the Parties agreed to set aside the depreciation issue in this docket and seek a determination on the issue in a separate filing. Therefore, the parties submitted a *Joint Filing of Amended Proposed Procedural Schedule* to the Administrative Judge on June 20, 2024, via email. 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 Piedmont and the Consumer Advocate regarding the procedural schedule, the Administrative Judge hereby establishes the Procedural Schedule set forth in **Exhibit A** attached to this Order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED.


Monica Smith-Ashford, Administrative Judge

PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

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Due Date/Deadline	Filing/Activity
May 20, 2024	Piedmont's Filing
June 5, 2024	Consumer Advocate's First Discovery Requests
June 21, 2024	Piedmont's Response to First Discovery Requests
July 9, 2024	Consumer Advocate's Second Discovery Requests
July 16, 2024	Piedmont's Response to Second Discovery Requests
August 12, 2024	Consumer Advocate's Pre-Filed Testimony
August 21, 2024	Piedmont's Pre-Filed Rebuttal Testimony
August 21, 2024	Settlement Agreement Filed (if applicable)
August 30, 2024	Pre-Hearing Motions
September 3, 2024	Pre-Hearing Status Conference
September 9, 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 Intervenor's Direct Testimony and should include the page and line number of the Intervenor's testimony that is being rebutted.