

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

February 25, 2026

IN RE:)	
PETITION OF LIMESTONE WATER UTILITY)	
OPERATING COMPANY, LLC TO INCREASE)	DOCKET NO.
CHARGES, FEES AND RATES AND FOR)	24-00044
APPROVAL OF A GENERAL RATE INCREASE)	
AND CONSOLIDATED RATES [PHASE 2)	
INCREASE])	

**ORDER GRANTING CONSUMER ADVOCATE’S MOTION AND ESTABLISHING
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

This matter is before the Administrative Judge of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (“Commission” or “TPUC”) for consideration of the *Consumer Advocate’s Motion for Entry of a Procedural Schedule* (“*Motion*”) filed by the Consumer Advocate Division of the Office of the Tennessee Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”) on February 4, 2026. The Administrative Judge convened a Status Conference with Limestone Water Utility Operating Company, LLC (“Limestone”) and the Consumer Advocate, the parties in this matter, on February 19, 2026, to discuss the procedural schedule. In its *Motion*, the Consumer Advocate requests that a procedural schedule be entered that “allows sufficient time for discovery of this material as well as drafting testimony, and a hearing to cross-examine witnesses, if necessary.”¹ Limestone did not oppose the Consumer Advocate’s *Motion*. The Administrative Judge finds that the Consumer Advocate’s *Motion* is well taken and should be granted. However, due to the timeframes established by the Commission for the Phase 2 rate increase, the Administrative Judge the procedural schedule will have to be compressed. 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

¹ See, *Motion*, pp. 1-2 (February 4, 2026).

PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
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Due Date/Deadline	Filing/Activity
March 2, 2026	Limestone Phase 2 Filing
March 11, 2026	Consumer Advocate’s First Discovery Requests
March 18, 2026	Limestone’s Responses to First Discovery Requests
March 26, 2026	Consumer Advocate’s Pre-Filed Testimony
April 1, 2026	Limestone Discovery Requests to Consumer Advocate
April 7, 2026	Consumer Advocate’s Responses to Limestone Discovery Requests
April 10, 2026	Limestone’s Rebuttal Testimony
April 10, 2026	Deadline for Filing Settlement Agreement
April 17, 2026	Pre-Hearing Motions
April 21, 2026 (Time TBD)	Pre-Hearing Status Conference
April 27, 2026	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.