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### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL And U.S. Mail

Mr. David F. Jones, Chairman c/o Ectory Lawless Tennessee Public Utility Commission 502 Deaderick Street, Fourth Floor Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Re: Petition of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. For Approval of its 2025 Annual Review of Rates Mechanism Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-103(d)(6)
Docket No. 25-00036

Dear Chairman Jones:

Pursuant to the Joint Procedural Schedule, enclosed for filing please find an original and four copies of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.'s ("Piedmont") supplemental response to the Consumer Advocate Division's *First Discovery Request*, CA DR 1-21 and CA DR 1-51, in the above-referenced docket.

A PDF of the public response is also being filed today by way of email to the Tennessee Public Utility Commission docket manager, Ectory Lawless. Please file the original and provide a "filed" stamped copy via email.

If you have any questions regarding these responses, you may reach me at the number shown above.

Very truly yours,

Paul S. Davidson

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## PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.

### **DOCKET NO. 25-00036**

# CONSUMER ADVOCATE'S FIRST SET OF DISCOVERY REQUESTS

**DATE ISSUED: JUNE 5, 2025** 

**DATE DUE: JUNE 20, 2025 (JUNE 26, 2025)** 

1-21. Revenues. Refer to the Company File < Schedule 21 HBP Revenue Components by Rate

Schedule & Special Contract.xlsx>, Tab "Schedule 21.8", that was included with the

Company's filing regarding Other Revenues. Provide a narrative description of the

following categories that are used here:

a. Performance Incentive Plan (IPA) Reclass;

b. Rate Case Rider Reclass;

c. Reclass Entry for the Gross-Up Portion of the Rate Case Rider;

d. TN ARM Revenue Catch-up Based;

e. TN ARM Rider Rate Reclass; and

f. TN WNA 2022-2023 Audit Findings.

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE:** Please see information below for narrative descriptions.

a. Performance Incentive Plan (IPA) Reclass: An annual journal entry to set up the

deferred account balance approved by the TPUC in the IPA annual filing. IPA is a

billing rate component (increment or decrement) and revenue is billed and recorded. A

monthly entry is recorded to adjust revenue and the TN Incentive Plan deferred balance

by the amount billed and recorded.

Entry: Debit/Credit Revenue Accounts and Debit/Credit Incentive Plan Deferral

Account – Reg Asset

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b. Rate Case Rider Reclass: In Docket No. 20-00086, the TPUC approved Rate Case

expense to be amortized over 3 years and collected through a rider mechanism. Rate

case rider is a billing rate component and revenue was billed and recorded monthly

until amortization was complete. A monthly entry is recorded to adjust revenue and a

regulatory asset account.

Entry: Debit Revenue Accounts and Credit Deferral Account – Reg Asset

c. Reclass Entry for the Gross-up Portion of the Rate Case Rider: A monthly journal

entry is required to adjust the rate case rider amount billed to align with the rate case

rider amortization amount. Billed rate case rider rates include a gross up for

uncollectibles and forfeited discounts that are not a component of the amortized

balance.

Entry: Debit: Deferral Account- Reg Asset Credit: Revenue Accounts

d. TN ARM Revenue Catch-up: An annual journal entry to set up the deferred account

balance. The recorded HBP revenue deficiency is informed by the most recent TPUC

approved filing. Revenue is recorded in September after the TPUC hearing.

Entry: Debit/Credit Deferral Account - Reg Asset and Debit/Credit Revenue Accounts

e. TN ARM Rider Rate Reclass: TN ARM Rate Rider is a billing rate component and

monthly revenue is billed and recorded. A monthly journal entry is recorded to adjust

revenue and the deferred regulatory asset by the amount billed and recorded.

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Entry: Debit/Credit Revenue Accounts and Debit/Credit Deferral Account – Reg Asset

f. TN WNA 2022-2023 Audit Findings: Annual entry to adjust revenue based on WNA audit findings, if applicable.

Name and title of responsible person: Conitsha Barnes, Director of Gas Rates and Regulatory Affairs

Original Direction: Misty Lyons, Rates & Regulatory Strategy Manager and Conitsha Barnes, Director Gas Rates & Regulatory Strategy

Name and title of preparer: Conitsha Barnes, Director of Gas Rates and Regulatory Affairs

Original Direction: Misty Lyons, Rates & Regulatory Strategy Manager and Conitsha Barnes,

Director Gas Rates & Regulatory Strategy

Response provided by Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. on June 26, 2025.

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1-51. Installation. Provide the miles of main installed by Piedmont in 2024 and the average

installation cost per mile.

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE: The miles of main installed is 32.58 and the average

installation cost per mile is \$1,729,063. Please see Supplemental Attachment CA DR 1-51 for

support.

Name and title of responsible person: Jaime Reynolds, Director, Natural Gas Financial Business

Support

Name and title of preparer: Dale Graham, Lead Accounting Analyst

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# 1-51 Supplemental Attachment

Attachment Provided in Native Format

#### Tennessee Natural Gas

Date Issued: 6/5/2025 Date Due: 6/16/2025 BRDR 01-51 Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. Docket No. 25-00036 Supplemental Response CA DR 1-51

Installation: Provide the miles of main installed by Piedmont in 2024 and the average installation cost per mile.

Account CB (Multiple Items) \_Current Rule Year Current Year 47136 - PNG Delivery - TN Business Unit CB - Description **ENT Function** Natural Gas Business Unit **ENT Accounting Class** Capital ENT Accounting Class Sub (Multiple Items) Dec 2024 Time Hierarchy Y-Q-M All \_Rule Year TDG Cost Driver All

Business Program Name	YTD Actual Amount	Annual Budget Amount
BLDG-BUILDINGS AND LAND	7,720,512.20	2,386,160.95
CMPRS-COMPRESSION	12,737.12	
CORR-CORROSION CONTROL	359,503.58	804,010.16
CSNG-CASING & REMEDIATION	(4,785.11)	
DIMP-DISTRIBUTION INTEGRITY	10,957,256.16	760,350.87
GREIM-GOVERNMENT REIMBURSABLE	4,633,825.22	1,185,035.55
GRELO-GOVERNMENT RELOCATION	15,639,258.63	17,816,562.55
LNGPL-LNG PLANT	29,187,289.82	29,432,929.04
MANDR-MEASUREMENT & REGULATION	2,406,103.29	5,003,614.37
METER-PURCHASED METERS, ERTS, REGULATORS	2,719,005.59	2,429,100.00
MISC-MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	536,423.54	162,974.35
MREIM-MISCELLANEOUS REIMBURSABLE	(806,346.99)	2,683.16
NSERV-NEW SERVICE	31,066,588.56	26,546,476.46
O&M-O&M PROJECT		(0.09)
RANDC-NEW BUSINESS	28,029,465.88	21,743,480.44
REM-REMOVAL PROJECTS	8,404.70	
RSERV-REPLACEMENT SERVICES	2,319,863.83	1,494,803.92
SYSST-SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE	676,121.69	(10,158.48)
TIMP-TRANSMISSION INTEGRITY	1,035,548.63	590,130.05
TOOLS-TOOLS, EQUIPMENT & TRANSPORTATION	116,066.65	334,750.00
TRANS-TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	2,212,963.19	1,800,000.00
Grand Total	138,825,806.18	112,482,903.30

miles installed (2024)	main categories	
32.58	\$	56,332,865.88

Fully Loaded \$ 1,729,062.80 per mile

	 2024 Actuals	# of services	Avg	. per install
Replacement Services	\$ 2,319,863.83	241	\$	9,626
New Service	\$ 31,066,588.56	3,156	\$	9,844

Account CB (Multiple Items) \_Current Rule Year Current Year Business Unit CB - Description 47136 - PNG Delivery - TN Natural Gas Business Unit **ENT Function ENT Accounting Class** Capital ENT Accounting Class Sub (Multiple Items) Time Hierarchy Y-Q-M Dec 2024 \_Rule Year All RSERV-REPLACEMENT SERVICES Business Program Name

Funding Project Description	Project CB - Description	YTD Actual Amount	Annual Budget Amount
New Services - Commercial BLANKET	MX2919986 - COMMERCIAL SERVICE, LONG SIDE - 423	117,458.83	
New Services - Commercial BLANKET Total		117,458.83	
REPLACEMENT SERVICES BLANKET	1708002 - REPLACEMENT SERVICES	2,052,974.41	
REPLACEMENT SERVICES BLANKET	FP1708002 - REPLACEMENT SERVICES BLANKET		1,494,803.92
REPLACEMENT SERVICES BLANKET	MX3819842 - SERVICE REPLACEMENT/RENEW - MID SOU	149,430.59	
REPLACEMENT SERVICES BLANKET Total		2,202,405.00	1,494,803.92
Grand Total		2,319,863.83	1,494,803.92