

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

**NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**December 22, 2025**

**IN RE:**

**RULEMAKING TO AMEND WASTEWATER  
RULES AT TENN. R. & REGS. 1220-04-13 ET SEQ.**

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**DOCKET NO.  
25-00085**

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**ORDER OPENING RULEMAKING PROCEEDING**

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This matter came before the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (the “Commission” or “TPUC”) with all Commissioners voting during a regularly scheduled Commission Conference held on December 8, 2025. The Commissioners convened to consider opening a docket to initiate a rulemaking proceeding to amend certain wastewater rules.

During the Commission Conference, the Commission made the following findings. In Docket Number 16-00112, the Commission conducted a rulemaking proceeding that comprehensively revised the wastewater rules. The Commission has since operated under the existing rules for almost a decade. As such, several areas were identified where revisions to the rules would increase clarity and streamline implementation, including issues related to escrow accounts and documentation requirements for CCN applications. Consequently, the Commissioners voted unanimously to initiate a rulemaking proceeding to update the wastewater rules, authorized Staff to prepare and submit the requisite rulemaking notice, hold a rulemaking hearing to receive public comments on proposed amendments to the wastewater rules, and finalize proposed changes for the Commissioners’ review and consideration during a future Commission Conference.

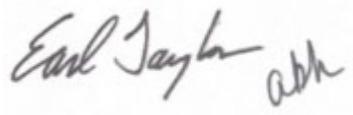
**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED.**

**FOR THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:**

**Chairman David F. Jones ,  
Vice Chairman John Hie,  
Commissioner Herbert H. Hilliard,  
Commissioner Robin L. Morrison,  
Commissioner Clay R. Good,  
Commissioner Kenneth C. Hill, and  
Commissioner David Crowell concurring.**

None dissenting.

**ATTEST:**

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**Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director**