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## **II. CONDUCT OF THE HEARING**

The Parties have waived opening statements, closing statements, and cross-examination of the witnesses. The Consumer Advocate will present the two witnesses who shall summarize their pre-filed testimony: William H. Novak (Direct), and Clark D. Kaml (Direct). TAWC will present one witness who shall summarize his pre-filed testimony: Robert C. Lane (Rebuttal).

The Commission's Advisory Staff has the opportunity to ask questions following the summary of testimony. The Parties should be aware that the Commissioners may ask questions at any time during a witness' testimony, as well as following the witness summary.

## **III. EXHIBITS & DOCUMENTS**

The Parties should exchange any demonstrative exhibits related to a witness' pre-filed testimony by Thursday, February 12, 2026, at noon (CST). Each party should have its own copy of all exhibits, including those appended to pre-filed testimony, available for reference during the hearing and is responsible for supplying a sufficient number of copies of any exhibits that it intends to reference or discuss with a witness. A party should use its own judgment and discretion in determining the total number of copies to have on hand, but at a minimum, 15 copies of an exhibit should be provided for the court reporter, each Commissioner on the panel, Legal Staff, and the Utilities Division staff. Additional copies may be needed to provide to the other parties.

## **IV. TECHNOLOGICAL AND OTHER SPECIAL REQUESTS**

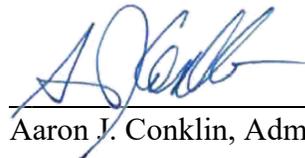
The Parties should inform the Administrative Judge of any requirements as to visual display aids and technology that might be needed during the hearing. So that the appropriate arrangements may be made, all such requests and information should be provided via email to the Administrative Judge at [aaron.conklin@tn.gov](mailto:aaron.conklin@tn.gov) by February 12, 2026.

**V. PRELIMINARY MATTERS/MOTIONS**

The Parties should make the Administrative Judge aware of any preliminary matters as soon as possible in advance of the hearing.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Parties should provide exhibit lists by noon (CST) on February 12, 2026.
2. Requests for visual aids, the use of technology, and information concerning the technical requirements of the parties shall be provided by electronic mail to the Administrative Judge at [aaron.conklin@tn.gov](mailto:aaron.conklin@tn.gov) by February 12, 2026.
3. The hearing scheduled for **10:00 a.m. CST on February 17, 2026**, shall be conducted in accordance with this Pre-Hearing Order unless otherwise ordered by the Chairman/Presiding Commissioner.

  
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Aaron J. Conklin, Administrative Judge