

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

**NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**May 22, 2026**

**IN RE:**

**PETITION OF TENNESSEE-AMERICAN WATER  
COMPANY REGARDING THE 2026 PRODUCTION  
COSTS AND OTHER PASS-THROUGHS RIDER**

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**DOCKET NO.  
26-00002**

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**PRE-HEARING ORDER**

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This matter is before the Administrative Judge of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (“Commission” or “TPUC”) for the issuance of a Pre-Hearing Order in accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-306 and Commission Rule 1220-01-02-.12(6). This Pre-Hearing Order is based upon the filings and communications of the Parties to establish the orderly conduct of the hearing, which is scheduled to be heard at 10:00 a.m. CDT on June 1, 2026.

The Parties are represented as follows:

**Consumer Advocate Division of the Office of the Attorney General (“Consumer Advocate”)**

– Vance L. Broemel, Esq., Office of the Attorney General, P.O. Box 20207, Nashville, TN 37202.

**Tennessee-American Water Company (“TAWC”)** – Melvin J. Malone, Butler Snow LLP,

1320 Adams Stree, Ste 1400, Nashville, TN 37208.

**I. NOTICE OF HEARING & PUBLIC COMMENT**

On May 22, 2026, a *Notice of Hearing* was issued notifying the public that a hearing will be held at **10:00 a.m. CDT on Monday, June 1, 2026**. Members of the public are encouraged to participate by filing written comments in the docket file and/or presenting verbal comments during the hearing.

**II. CONDUCT OF THE HEARING**

The Parties have filed a letter indicating that there are no outstanding disputes among the

parties. Therefore, the Parties will give an abbreviated presentation of the *Petition* and testimony in the evidentiary record.

The Consumer Advocate will give brief opening remarks (3 minutes).

TAWC will TAWC will present one witness, Phillip J. Drennan, who shall appear remotely via WebEx and summarize his pre-filed testimony (5 minutes). The parties have waived cross-examination. The Consumer Advocate's witness, William H. Novak, will be available for questions.

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.

The Consumer Advocate will present brief closing remarks (2 minutes) followed by brief closing comments of TAWC (2 minutes).

### **III. EXHIBITS & DOCUMENTS**

The Parties should exchange any demonstrative exhibits, if any, related to a witness' pre-filed testimony by Wednesday, May 27, 2026, at noon (CDT). 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 May 27, 2026.

**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 (CDT) on May 27, 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 May 27, 2026.
3. The hearing scheduled for **10:00 a.m. CDT on June 1, 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