

September 12, 2011

Honorable Bill Haslam
Governor
State of Tennessee
1st Floor, State Capitol
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

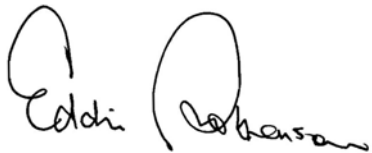
Dear Governor Haslam:

After much thought and prayer, I have decided to submit my resignation effective October 1, 2011, as director of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (TRA). For over 36 years it has been my distinct honor and high privilege to serve the citizens of our great State on the Public Service Commission and TRA. Over this almost four decades, a sea of change has occurred in the field of utility regulation and I believe the TRA has navigated well through these changing times. Throughout my career, my guiding star has been to conduct myself in a manner that brings honor to my God, family and State. In all decisions, I have attempted to promote the public interest regardless of how following that high principle could affect me personally.

I shall not soon forget the many dedicated public servant professionals I have had the privilege and honor of serving with at the agency. I also want to thank you for allowing me to serve an additional three months after my term expired as director.

May God bless you with wisdom as you lead our great State.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eddie Roberson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "E" and "R".

Eddie Roberson, Ph.D.
Chairman

c: Deputy Governor Claude Ramsey