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Utility Involved	Docket Type	Consumer Advocate Action	Summary	Docket Number & Link
Integrated Resource Management, Inc d/b/a IRM Utility, Inc	CCN	Reviewing CCN MFR Requirements	This petition is for approval to expand IRM's service area to include Paradise Pointe Subdivision in Union County	23-00055
Superior Wastewater Systems, LLC	CCN	Reviewing CCN MFR Requirements	This petition is for approval of expanding Superior's service area to include portion of the Town of Arrington in Williamson County	23-00051
Atmos Energy Corporation	Depreciation Rates	Intervened	This is a petition for new depreciation rates.	23-00050
Tennessee Water Service, Inc	ARM	Intervened	This is a petition to adopt an annual review mechanism for TWS.	23-00046
Limestone Water Utility Operating Company, LLC and Integrated Resource Management, Inc d/b/a IRM Utility, Inc	Acquisition/sale	Intervened	This is a joint application of Limestone and IRM for approval of Limestone to operate IRM's wastewater system.	23-00037
Limestone Water Utility Operating Company, LLC	CCN	Reviewing CCN MFR Requirements	Limestone is seeking to expand their CCN to include the Nash Ridge Subdivision in Williamson County	23-00036



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Piedmont Natural Gas Company	ARM	Petition to Intervene being drafted	In this proceeding, Piedmont is seeking the Commission's approval to (1) authorize the establishment of ARM Rider Rates to recover the computed \$10.8 million HBP Revenue Requirement Deficiency plus carrying costs, and (2) increase its existing Base Margin Rates for the computed \$29.9 million Annual Base Rate 18 Reset Revenue Requirement Deficiency.	23-00035
Chattanooga Gas Company	ARM	Intervened	CGC is requesting that this Commission approve the Company's revenue deficiency and rate rebalancing, approve the proposed normalization for the recovery of the deficiency and rebalancing, and approve new rates and the corresponding tariff sheets effective September 1, 2023, based upon a \$6.8 million voluntary rate cap with any unrecovered revenues above the voluntary rate cap to be carried forward.	23-00029
Atmos Energy Corporation	Hedging Program	Intervened	Atmos requests under TPUC Rule 1220-04-01-.06 that the TPUC approve its petition for the inclusion of a Tennessee Hedging Program ("Hedging Program") in Proposed Tariff Sheet 43.1 and proposed revisions of Tariff Sheet Nos. 36 and 45.1, which would incorporate the Hedging Program into the Company's Tariff.	23-00026



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Kingsport Power Company d/b/a AEP	TRP&MS	Intervened	Kingsport requests recovery of deferred costs under its Targeted Reliability Plan (TRP) costs resulting from Major Storm (MS) through its tariff rider as approved in Docket No. 17-00032. In its current Petition, Kingsport seeks approval to decrease residential customer rates by \$0.79 per month.	23-00019
Tennessee American Water Company	Reconciliation of Capital Riders	Intervened	Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 65-5-103, <i>et seq.</i> , TAWC received approval from the Commission to institute Capital Riders. These riders allow the Company to recover certain expenses without the need to file a general rate case. In its current Petition, TAWC seeks approval to decrease the bill of a typical residential customer of approximately \$0.01 per month or \$0.12 in 2023.	23-00018
Limestone Water Utility Operating Company, LLC and DSH & Associates, LLC	Sale/Acquisition	Intervened	Limestone is seeking approval from the Commission to purchase DSH and operate the system which would include either issuance of a new Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) or transfer of DSH's CCN.	23-00016
(None) Rulemaking Docket	Rulemaking Docket	Filed Comments	Rulemaking to promulgate rules for utilities to provide documentation to TPUC regarding their Cybersecurity Plans as required Under Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-127.	23-00001



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Kingsport Power Company dba Appalachian Power	2022 Revised Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment Rider Tariff	Intervened	In Docket No. 16-00001, the Commission approved the creation of the Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment Rider (“FPPAR”) in its <i>Order Approving Stipulation and Settlement Agreement</i> . Under the Settlement Agreement the “FPPAR Rates shall be reviewed, recalculated, and implemented no less often than annually upon a filing by the Utility.”	22-00111
Superior Wastewater Systems, LLC	Staff Assisted Rate Increase	Intervened	Joint Petition of Superior Wastewater and TPUC Party Staff for a rate increase. “The Parties propose to eliminate this revenue deficiency by increasing the monthly base rates from the current rate of \$35.11 to the proposed rate of \$54.34.”.	22-00087



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Atmos Energy Corporation	2021-2022 ACA Filing for Tennessee	Intervened	The Purchased Gas Adjustment Rule (“PGA Rule”) consists of 3 major components, one being the Actual Cost Adjustment Rider (ACA). TENN. COMP. R. & REGS. 1220-04-07-.02. Commission Staff will conduct a compliance audit of Atmos Energy’s ACA to verify that Atmos Energy’s calculations of gas costs incurred and recovered are materially correct, and that Piedmont is following all Commission orders and directives with respect to its calculation of the ACA Account balance.	22-00084
Superior Wastewater Systems LLC	Compliance Review Audit	Intervened	Commission Party Staff seeks to review and report on Superior’s compliance with Commission Rules 1220-04-13-.07 and .08 regarding financial security and Rule 1220-04-13-.16 regarding affiliate transactions to ensure compliance with the Commission’s rules and regulatory requirements. In addition to bonding costs, Party Staff also seeks to review and report on Superior’s compliance with reserve/escrow account requirements set forth in Commission Rule 1220-04-13.07(7).	21-00086



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Limestone Water Utility Operating Company, LLC	Sale/ Acquisition	Intervened	Limestone filed a petition for Commission's approval for Limestone to purchase the drinking water system owned and operated by Candlewood Lakes Property Owner Association, Inc. and Candlewood Lakes POA Water Works, Inc., a system not regulated by the Commission.	21-00059
(None) Rulemaking Docket	Rulemaking	Reviewed & commented	The Commission opened the rulemaking procedure to discuss changes to existing rules or the addition of new rules regarding the practice and procedure before the Commission. Issues to discuss are filing procedures, pre-filed testimony, discovery, and minimum filing requirements.	21-00018
Tennessee American Water Company	Investigation	Intervened	In TPUC Docket No. 18-00120, the Consumer Advocate testified that the Utility's Capital Riders produce rates that are unjust and excessive, primarily because the Tariff produces a Rate Base that is higher than Utility's actual Rate Base. As such, the Tariff and Capital Riders should be restructured. As a result of this testimony, the Commission opened this Docket to investigate the Utility's Capital Riders.	19-00103



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Atmos Energy	Triennial Review	Intervened	Under the 2013 Settlement Agreement in Docket No. 07-00225, Atmos Energy's capacity planning and gas purchasing activities under its Performance Base Ratemaking Mechanism Rider is subject to a comprehensive triennial review.	16-00028
Chattanooga Gas Company	Triennial Review	Intervened	Under the 2009 Commission Order in this Docket, CGC's activities Performance-Based Ratemaking Mechanism is subject to a comprehensive triennial review.	07-00024
Piedmont Natural Gas	Triennial Review	Intervened	Under the 2007 Settlement Agreement in this Docket, Piedmont's activities under its gas cost Performance Incentive Plan are subject to a comprehensive triennial review. Such review is performed by an independent consultant selected through a competitive request for proposal process.	05-00165

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