

**IN THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

IN RE:

**APPLICATION OF PIEDMONT
NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC. FOR
APPROVAL OF NEGOTIATED GAS
REDELIVERY AGREEMENT WITH
BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE**

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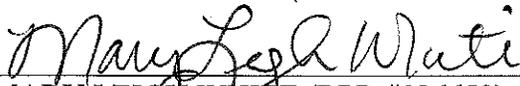
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**STATEMENT OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE'S INTENT NOT TO CONTEST THE
NEGOTIATED GAS REDELIVERY AGREEMENT**

Robert E. Cooper, Jr., Attorney General and Reporter for the State of Tennessee, by and through the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General ("Consumer Advocate"), pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-118, respectfully expresses its intent not to contest the negotiated Gas Redelivery Agreement ("Contract") between Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Piedmont") and Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations, LLC ("Bridgestone"), filed on February 1, 2010, in the Tennessee Regulatory Authority. However, the Consumer Advocate wishes to remain intervened in the matter for purposes of monitoring and evaluating any future issues, should additional issues arise.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

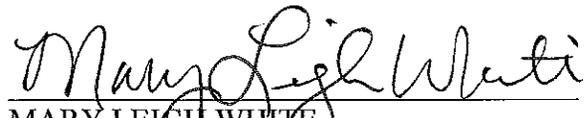
I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via U.S. Mail or electronic mail upon:

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