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July 11, 2013

Ms. Gail Mount Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 430 North Salisbury Street Dobbs Building, Suite 5063 Raleigh, NC 27603-5918

Re: Docket No. G-9, Sub 550B Margin Decoupling Deferred Account Adjustment

Dear Ms. Mount:

In accordance with provisions set forth in Appendix C of the Company's Service Regulations as approved by the Commission in the above referenced docket, Piedmont Natural Gas Company files the enclosed original and 25 copies of the computation of the Margin Decoupling Deferred Account Adjustment by rate schedule for May 2013.

For billing cycles for the month of May 2013, the calculation results in an amount to be Collected from residential customers of \$527,188 and an amount to be refunded to commercial customers of \$106,786. The total Margin Decoupling Adjustment for May 2013 is \$420,402.

Please let me know if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

Jenny Furr Manager Regulatory Reporting

Enclosures

### Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. Margin Decoupling Deferred Account Activity - a/c # 25332 May 2013 Report Debit (Credit)

| Description                    | Reference       | Residential  | Small<br>Commercial | Medium General<br>Service | Total       |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| Beginning Balance              | Prior Mo Report | \$11,968,188 | \$1,211,224         | \$887,717                 | 14,067,128  |
| Monthly Activity:              |                 | ·            |                     | · · ·                     |             |
| Margin Decoupling Adjustment   | Page 2          | 527,188      | (152,753)           | 45,967                    | 420,402     |
| (Increment) Decrement          | Page 3          | (1,528,785)  | (504,680)           | (101,992)                 | (2,135,457) |
| Ending Balance Before Interest |                 | 10,966,590   | 553,791             | 831,692                   | 12,352,073  |
| Accrued Interest               | Page 4          | - 69,856     | 5,376               | 5,237                     | 80,469      |
| Total Due From (To) Customers  | -               | 11,036,446   | 559,167             | 836,929                   | 12,432,542  |
|                                |                 |              |                     | ,                         |             |

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#### Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. Computation of Margin Decoupling Deferred Account Adjustment Debit (Credit) May 2013 Report

Based on Cycle Billing

| ······    | ·····                      |  |                |                                  |                                       | * * .        |                            |
|-----------|----------------------------|--|----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| -         |                            |  | Residential    | Small General                    | Medium Generai                        |              |                            |
| 1.1       |                            |  | Service        | Service                          | Service                               | -            |                            |
| Line      | Description                | n  | Rate           | Rate                             | Rate                                  | Totai        |                            |
| No.       | lí.                        |  | Schedule No.   | Schedule No.                     | Schedule No.                          |              |                            |
|           | <u> </u>                   |  | 101            | 102                              | <b>152</b> t                          |              | ·                          |
| 1         |                            |  | · ·            | · · · · ·                        | . 1                                   |              |                            |
| 1         | Normal Degree Days /1      | Page 2A                                  | 108.1          | 108.1                            | 108.1                                 |              |                            |
|           |                            | · · · · · ·                              |                |                                  |                                       | 1 · ·        |                            |
| 2         | Base Load /1               | (th/month)                               | 12.0381        | 126.3458                         | 5980,4393                             |              | · -                        |
|           | Heat Sensitivity Factor /1 | '(th/HDD)                                | 0.1468         | 0.5849                           | 9.4451                                | 1            |                            |
| 4         | Usage/HDD/Customer         | . (th)                                   | 27.907         | 189.573                          | 7,001.455                             | :            |                            |
|           |                            | ·  |                | • ,                              | . ,                                   | -            |                            |
|           | RATE CAS                   | E  |                |                                  |                                       |              | · · · ·                    |
| 5         | No. of Customers (Actual)  |  | 620,902        | 66,399                           |                                       |              | 8 <u>-</u>                 |
| 6         | Total Normalized Usage     | (th)                                     | 17,327,623,876 | 12,587,490.163                   | 3,206,666.211                         | 33,121,780   |                            |
| 7         | R Factor /1                | (\$/th)                                  | \$0.39805      | \$0.31142                        | \$0.21486                             | . 00,121,100 |                            |
| 1         |                            |  |                |                                  | +0. <u>.</u> .                        |              | · ·                        |
| 8         | Normalized Margin          | (\$)                                     | \$6,897,261    | \$3,919,996                      | \$688,984                             | \$11,506,241 |                            |
|           | ÷                          |  |                |                                  | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | V11,000,241  |                            |
|           | ACTUAL                     |  |                |                                  |                                       |              |                            |
| 9         | No. of Customers (Actual)  | en e | 620,902        | 66,399                           | 458                                   | ·            |                            |
|           | Actual Usage               | (ቲከ)                                     | 16,003,197     | 13,077,993                       | 2,992,726                             | 32,073,916   | · · ·                      |
|           | R Factor /1                | (\$/th)                                  | \$0.39805      | \$0.31142                        | \$0.21486                             | 52,075,910   |                            |
|           | •                          |  | \$0.00000      | ψ0.01142                         | φ <b>υ.21400</b>                      |              | ,                          |
| 12        | R Factor Margin Revenues   | (\$)                                     | \$6,370,073    | \$4,072,749                      | 6643.047                              |              | -                          |
|           |                            |  | ψυ, οτ σιστο   | \$ <b>₩</b> ,₩1, <b>2</b> ,1,432 | \$643,017                             | \$11 085,839 |                            |
| 13        | Margin Decoupling Adj      |  | \$527,188      | 18150 7591                       | euc oom                               | 1 100 too    |                            |
| 1.        |                            |  | )              | (\$152,753)                      | \$45,967                              | \$420,402    |                            |
| <b></b> . | 1                          | · , · · · · ·                            | <u> </u>       | <u> </u>                         | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |              | Owed To Company (Customer) |

Note: /1 - Per Docket No. G-9, Sub 550, Stipulation - Exhibit D

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# Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. Heating Degree Days for Margin Decoupling

| ·   | Rate Case  |   | Actual HDD |              |        |
|-----|------------|---|------------|--------------|--------|
|     | Normal HDD | 2 | 2012-13    | Diff         |        |
| Nov | 296.7      |   | 372.6      | (75.9)       | colder |
| Dec | 529.1      |   | 475.6      | 53.5         | warmer |
| Jan | 730.2      |   | 583.4      | 146.8        | warmer |
| Feb | 754.7      |   | 708.6      | <b>46</b> .1 | warmer |
| Mar | 491.3      |   | 624,5      | (133.2)      | colder |
| Apr | 300.0      |   | 394.0      | (94.0)       | colder |
| Мау | 108.1      | - | 147.6      | (39.5)       | colder |
| Jun | 18,5       |   |            | 18,5         | ۰.     |
| Jul | 0.7        |   |            | 0.7          |        |
| Aug | 0.1        |   | -          | 0.1          | •      |
| Sep | 2.8        |   |            | 2.8          |        |
| Oct | 84.5       |   |            | 84.5         | 1      |

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# Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. Rate Elements For Residential, SGS and MGS Rate Classes May 2013 Report

|                                  | · .    | Residential<br>Service | Small General<br>Service | Medium General<br>Service |
|----------------------------------|--------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Description                      |        | Rate                   | Rate                     | Rate                      |
|                                  |        | Schedule No.           | Schedule No.             | Schedule No.              |
|                                  |        | 101                    | 102                      | 152                       |
| Facilities Charge                | Winter | \$10.00                | \$22.00                  | \$75.00                   |
| -                                | Summer | \$10.00                | \$22.00                  | \$75.00                   |
| Rates (\$/th)                    |        |                        | φ22.00                   | φ13.00                    |
| 1st Block                        | Winter | <b>\$1.09304</b>       | \$0.92460                | \$0.88821                 |
| 2nd Block                        | Winter | +                      | \$0.02400                | \$0.86315                 |
| 1st Block                        | Summer | \$0.99876              | \$0.86367                | \$0.79198                 |
| 2nd Block                        | Summer | ,                      | ÷=.00001                 | \$0.74048                 |
|                                  |        |                        |                          |                           |
| BCGC (\$/th)                     |        | \$0:45000              | \$0.45000                | \$0.45000                 |
| LUAF (\$/th)                     |        | \$0.00854              | \$0.00854                | \$0.00854                 |
| Commodity Cost Increment (\$/th) | Winter | (\$0.02851)            | (\$0.02851)              | (\$0.02851)               |
| •                                | Summer | (\$0.02851)            | (\$0.02851)              | (\$0.02851)               |
| Fixed Gas Costs (\$/th)          |        | .* *                   | • • •                    |                           |
| 1st Block                        | Winter | \$0.16943              | \$0,14456                | \$0.11268                 |
| 2nd Block                        | Winter |                        | <b>4</b> 0711100         | \$0.08762                 |
| 1st Block                        | Summer | \$0.07515              | \$0.08363                | \$0.00702<br>\$0.11301    |
| 2nd Block                        | Súmmer |                        |                          | \$0.06151                 |
| R Factors (\$/th)                | . •    | · .                    |                          |                           |
| 1st Block                        | Winter | \$0.39805              | \$0.31142                | 0.01110                   |
| 2nd Block                        | Winter | φ0.00000               | 00.3114Z                 | \$0.31142<br>\$0.31142    |
| 1st Block                        | Summer | \$0.39805              | \$0.31142                | \$0.31142<br>\$0.21486    |
| 2nd Block                        | Summer | 40.0000                | φο.στιμ2 /               | \$0.21486                 |
| Margin Decoupling Temporaries    |        | \$0.09553              | \$0.03859                | \$0.03408                 |

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### Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. Computation of Refunds and (Collections) Through Temporaries May 2013 Report Debit (Credit)

| ltem  | Reference          | Residential                                | Small<br>Commercial                      | Medium<br>General<br>Service            |
|---|--------------------|--|--|---|
| Usage by Rate Class - therms<br>Rate decrement (increment)/therm<br>Refunds (Collections) | Page 2<br>Per NCUC | 16,003,197<br>(\$0.09553)<br>(\$1,528,785) | 13,077,993<br>(\$0.03859)<br>(\$504,680) | 2,992,726<br>(\$0.03408)<br>(\$101,992) |

Margin Decoupling Temporaries effective April 2013 (per therm)

(\$0.09553)

(\$0.03859) (\$0.03408)

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## Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. Accrued Interest May 2013 Report Debit (Credit)

| ltem   | <u>Reference</u> | Residential  | Small<br>Commercial | Medium<br>General<br>Service |
|--|------------------|--------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| Beginning Balance                            | Page 1           | \$11,968,188 | \$1,211,224         | \$887,717                    |
| Ending Balance Before Interest               | Page 1           | \$10,966,590 | \$553,791           | \$831,692                    |
| Average Balance Before Interest              |                  | 11,467,389   | *882,507            | 859,704                      |
| Monthly Interest Accrual Rate                | PerNCUC          | 0.6092%      | 0.6092%             | 0.6092%                      |
| Current Mo JE to Margin Decoupling Def Acct. |                  | \$69,856     | \$5,376             | \$5,237                      |

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