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PLACE: Dobbs Building, Raleigh, North Carolina  
DATE: Tuesday, October 4, 2022  
TIME: 10:00 a.m. - 10:02 a.m.  
DOCKET NO: G-9, Sub 811  
BEFORE: Hearing Examiner Dustin Rhodes

IN THE MATTER OF:  
Application of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.,  
for Annual Review of Gas Costs  
Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.4(c) and  
Commission Rule R1-17(k) (6)

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A P P E A R A N C E S:  
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E X A M I N A T I O N S

No witnesses of record

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No exhibits of record

## P R O C E E D I N G S

1 HEARING EXAMINER RHODES: Good morning.  
2 Let's come to order, please, and go on the record.  
3 I'm Dustin Rhodes, Hearing Examiner, and Utilities  
4 Engineer at the North Carolina Utilities Commission.  
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6 I now call for hearing Docket Number G-9,  
7 Sub 811, which is the Application by Piedmont  
8 Natural Gas Company, Inc., hereinafter Piedmont, for  
9 its Annual Review Proceeding Pursuant to North  
10 Carolina General Statute § 62-133.4(c) and  
11 Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6).

12 On August 1st, 2022, Piedmont Natural Gas  
13 Company, Inc., filed testimony of witnesses Todd  
14 Breece, Jeffrey Patton, and MaryBeth Tomlinson in  
15 the above-captioned docket related to an annual  
16 review proceeding pursuant to North Carolina General  
17 Statute § 62-133.4(c) and Commission Rule  
18 R1-17(k)(6).

19 On August 4th, 2022, the Commission issued  
20 an Order scheduling this docket for a public witness  
21 and expert witness hearing at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday,  
22 October 4th, 2022.

23 On September 30th, 2022, Piedmont and the  
24 Public Staff filed a joint motion requesting that

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1 the Commission excuse all witnesses from attending  
2 the expert witness hearing, and that the Commission  
3 receive the witnesses' testimony and exhibits into  
4 the record.

5 On October 3rd, 2022, the Commission  
6 granted the motion, accepting all of the prefiled  
7 testimony into the record, and canceling the hearing  
8 originally scheduled for this morning for the  
9 purpose of receiving expert witness testimony.

10 We are here this morning to accept public  
11 witness testimony.

12 I now call on the parties to announce  
13 their appearances, starting with the Applicant.

14 MS. ATHENS: Good morning. Kristin Athens  
15 from the Law Firm of McGuireWoods appearing on  
16 behalf of Piedmont Natural Gas Company.

17 MS. CULPEPPER: Good morning. Elizabeth  
18 Culpepper with the Public Staff appearing on behalf  
19 of the Using and Consuming Public.

20 HEARING EXAMINER RHODES: Thank you,  
21 Ms. Athens. Thank you, Ms. Culpepper.

22 For the record, is there anyone in the  
23 room that wishes to speak on this matter?

24 (No response)

1                   Let the record reflect there are no  
2 members of the public in the room, and this  
3 concludes the hearing.

4                   (The proceedings were adjourned)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, KIM T. MITCHELL, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that  
the Proceedings in the above-captioned matter were  
taken before me, that I did report in stenographic  
shorthand the Proceedings set forth herein, and the  
foregoing pages are a true and correct transcription  
to the best of my ability.

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