

APPENDIX 1

BASE PUBLIC ADVOCATE RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Review weekly Commission meeting agendas
2. Attend weekly Commission meeting
3. Review all relevant filings made with the Natural Gas Department
4. Determine proceedings in which to petition for relief, protest or intervene
5. Determine proceedings to request or initiate, including proceedings to initiate, including proceedings to address consumer complaints made to the Public Service Commission
6. Determine when to investigate the legality and reasonableness of rates, charges and practices of jurisdictional utilities
7. Determine matters and disputes to negotiate or to engage in other measures to resolve issues
8. Participate in rulemakings before the Public Service Commission affecting consumers served by jurisdictional utilities
9. Monitor and participate in legislation affecting consumers served by jurisdictional utilities
10. Communicate to the Executive Director all determinations to take action set forth in responsibilities 4 through 9 above
11. Participate in the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates (NASUCA) and monitor state and federal activity through NASUCA
12. Be available to respond to general communications from the Director of the Public Service Commission Gas Department, the Director's designees, or the Executive Director
13. Attend workshops as requested by the Director of the Public Service Commission's Natural Gas Department, the Director's designees, or the Executive Director.