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Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF KENTUCKY
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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION)
FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE)
ISSUANCE OF UP TO 2,200,000)
SHARES OF COMMON STOCK)
THROUGH ITS LONG-TERM INCENTIVE)
PLAN)

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APPLICATION

1. Pursuant to KRS 278.300, and all other applicable law, Atmos Energy Corporation ("Applicant" or "Atmos"), files its Application herein for an Order authorizing the issuance of up to 2,200,000 additional shares of Common Stock, no par value, of Applicant (the "Shares") through and pursuant to Applicant's Long-Term Incentive Plan for Management ("LTIP").

2. Atmos seeks an Order of the Commission granting it the authority to issue up to 2,200,000 additional shares of no par value Common Stock of the Company pursuant to the LTIP. The LTIP is to attract and retain the services of able persons as employees and non-employee directors, to provide such persons with a proprietary interest in Atmos through the granting of securities and to motivate employees and non-employee directors using performance related incentives linked to longer-range performance goals and the interest of Atmos' shareholders. LTIP grants, whether made singly, in combination or in tandem, will increase the interest of employees and non-employee directors in Applicant's welfare, furnish an incentive for such persons to continue their services to Atmos and provide a means through which Applicant may continue to attract and retain able persons as employees and non-employee directors. The types of awards that may be granted under the LTIP include incentive stock options, non-qualified stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock