

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF ATMOS ENERGY	)	
CORPORATION, FOR AN ORDER CONTINUING	)	CASE NO.
THE WEATHER NORMALIZATION ADJUSTMENT	)	2005-00268
FOR FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL YEARS	)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S DATA REQUEST TO  
ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos") is requested, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, to file with the Commission the original and 7 copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due by August 5, 2005. When a number of sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed, for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Include with each response the name of the person who will be responsible for responding to questions relating to the information provided. Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. Where information requested herein has been provided, in the format requested herein, reference may be made to the specific location of said information in responding to this information request.

1. Refer to paragraph 8 of the application, which indicates that Atmos intends to continue to use NOAA weather normals for 1960-1989, which were the basis for the weather normalization of the test period in its last rate case, as the basis for determining normal heating degree days.

a. Explain in detail why it is appropriate to use the 1960-1989 weather normals rather than the weather normals from a more current 30-year period.

b. Describe the extent to which Atmos compared the results of more current weather normals with the results from the 1960-1989 period. If Atmos did not make such a comparison, explain why.

c. Provide, for the months of November through April, a monthly and cumulative comparison of normal heating degree days, for Atmos's service territory, for the 1960-1989 period and the 1971-2000 period.

2. Paragraph 9 of the application indicates that no changes in the existing tariff are proposed.

a. Explain whether Atmos believes, based on the proposed 5-year extension of its Weather Normalization Adjustment Rider, that some modification to the text in the first sentence in the third paragraph under "1. Applicable" is necessary to reflect the proposed extension.

b. Provide new language for that section of the tariff to reflect what Atmos believes is needed, based on its proposed extension of the rider.



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cc: All Parties