

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF ATMOS ENERGY	)	
CORPORATION FOR A LIMITED	)	
DEVIATION FROM THE	)	CASE NO. 2005-00442
REQUIREMENTS OF 807 KAR 5:022,	)	
SECTION 4(23)(B)(1)-(4) AND	)	
807 KAR 5:022, SECTION 14(22)(A)	)	

O R D E R

On September 10, 2005, Atmos Energy Corporation (“Atmos”) filed an application for a supplemental Order to Case No. 2004-00275.<sup>1</sup> In that case, Atmos applied for permission to deviate from 807 KAR 5:022, Sections 4(23)(b)(1-4) and 14(22)(a).<sup>2</sup>

During a routine inspection of Atmos’s facilities in 2003, Commission Staff discovered a number of gas regulator stations that did not fully comply with Commission regulations. In response to a Commission Staff “Comprehensive Inspection Report,” Atmos evaluated these gas regulator stations, identified 412 regulator locations that required corrective action, and proposed a schedule to bring these locations into compliance by October 1, 2005. After developing its compliance plan, Atmos identified

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<sup>1</sup> Case No. 2004-00275, Application of Atmos Energy Corporation For a Limited Deviation From the Requirements of 807 KAR 5:022, Section 4(23)(b)(1)-(4), and 807 KAR 5:022, Section 14(22)(a).

<sup>2</sup> 807 KAR 5:022, Section 4(23)(b), pertains to design of pipe components, valves at regulator stations and exterior shutoff valves. 807 KAR 5:022, Section 14(22) relates to maintenance of regulating stations.

59 locations where corrections were not practical. In Case No. 2004-00275, Atmos requested and received a limited deviation from 807 KAR 5:022, Sections 4(23)(b)(1)-(4) and 14(22)(a) at these locations.

Atmos now seeks similar deviations for two additional locations that were inadvertently omitted from its original application. Based on the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that our findings in Case No. 2004-00275 are applicable to the two locations identified in Atmos's current application and that the requested deviations should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The record of Case No. 2004-00275 is incorporated by reference into the record of this proceeding.
2. The Commission incorporates into this Order the findings set forth in our Order of January 20, 2005 in Case No. 2004-00275.
3. Atmos is authorized to deviate from the requirements of 807 KAR 5:022, Sections 4(23)(b)(1)-(4) and 14(22)(a) at the locations listed in Appendix A.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

By the Commission

ATTEST:



Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2005-00442 DATED January 20, 2006.

**Listing of 2 Additional Locations for Proposed Excess Flow Valves instead of Emergency valves  
On Farm Tap Station Revisions (Case No. 2004-00275)**

Location	County	Number of Meters	Type Feed *	Pipeline Owner
			<b>Franklin</b>	
Salmon Baptist Church	Simpson	3	Single Regulator	Atmos
Vance Mill Road	Simpson	12	Single Regulator	Atmos
<b>2 Additional Sites</b>		<b>15 Meters</b>		

NOTE: \* Each location complies with 49 CFR Part 192 requirements for recording gauges since each system is supplied through a single regulator station.