

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF ATMOS ENERGY)	
CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF THIRD)	
PARTY GAS SUPPLY AGREEMENT AND FOR)	CASE NO. 2006-00194
A DEVIATION FROM THE PRICING)	
REQUIREMENTS OF KRS 278.2207)	

INITIAL DATA REQUEST OF COMMISSION STAFF
TO ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

Atmos Energy Corporation (“Atmos”), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is requested to file with the Commission the original and 8 copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due within 10 days of the date of this request. Each copy of the data requested should be placed in a bound volume with each item tabbed. 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 herein has been previously 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 page 2 of the application.
 - a. Provide a copy of the Request for Proposal (“RFP”) that Atmos issued to the 26 prospective bidders.
 - b. Provide copies of the timely responses.

c. Atmos states that its analysis determined it was in the best interest of itself and its ratepayers to award the contract to its affiliate, Atmos Energy Marketing ("AEM"). Provide the analysis performed by Atmos to make this determination.

d. Explain why Atmos did not file its request for deviation before entering into the new contract with AEM.

2. Refer to page 1 of the Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas, Section 10.3.1.

a. Describe in detail the amounts and conditions referenced in this section.

b. Refer to page 3 of the application and Exhibit A, paragraph 3. Atmos states that the proposed agreement will produce greater savings than the current supply agreement. Paragraph 3 of Exhibit A, however, states that the buyer, which is identified by the contract as Atmos, shall pay the dollar amount stated in the paragraph. Verify that this means that Atmos will be paying AEM the stated amount.

c. Provide an estimate of the dollar amount per mmBtu or Mcf.



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cc: All Parties