COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF ATMOS ENERGY)	
CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER)	
CONTINUING THE WEATHER)	CASE NO. 2011-00205
NORMALIZATION ADJUSTMENT FOR)	
THREE ADDITIONAL YEARS	j ,	

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST INFORMATION REQUEST TO ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission the original and six copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due no later than 14 days from the date of this request. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed. Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided.

Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Atmos shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which

Atmos fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Atmos shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations.

- 1. Refer to paragraph 4 of the Application. Explain in detail how and when Atmos intends to incorporate necessary changes to the existing Weather Normalization Adjustment ("WNA") mechanism, and how it will determine what changes are necessary.
- 2. Explain whether Atmos has reviewed the National Climatic Data Center's ("NCDC") July 1, 2011 release of 1981-2010 Core Normal information, and whether this information would be sufficient to update Atmos's calculations of normal weather and associated sales for purposes of its WNA adjustment.
- 3. Explain what Atmos considers will be the impact on its WNA adjustment if it is required to update for the most current NCDC 30-year normal information.
- 4. Provide a sample calculation of a WNA adjustment and winter bill for a typical residential customer using the methodology as set out in Atmos's tariff.
- 5. Refer to paragraph 9 of the Application wherein Atmos states that its WNA mechanism has performed favorably in the preceding 10-year period. Using the format

of Atmos's annual WNA summary report, provide a comparison of results for the preceding 10 years.

6. Refer to paragraph 7 of the Application. Atmos mentions that it will "continue to annually update the Base Load ("BL"), Heating Sensitive Factors ("HSF"), and average distribution rate factor ("R") for each affected classes of firm sales Provide calculations showing the updates of these factors for the last 10 years.

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