COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FILING OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

CASE NO. 2015-00327

<u>O R D E R</u>

On April 22, 2014, in Case No. 2013-00148,¹ the Commission approved rates for Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos") and provided for their further adjustment in accordance with Atmos's Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") clause.

On September 30, 2015, Atmos filed its GCA to be effective November 1, 2015.

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. Atmos's notice includes revised rates designed to pass on to its sales customers its expected change in wholesale gas costs.

2. Atmos's Expected Gas Cost ("EGC") for firm sales customers is \$4.5800 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.2180 per Mcf from the previous EGC of \$4.7980 per Mcf. Atmos's EGC for interruptible sales customers is \$3.2582 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.2189 per Mcf from the previous EGC of \$3.4771 per Mcf.

3. Atmos's notice sets a current quarter Refund Factor ("RF") of (\$.0035) per Mcf. Atmos's total RF is (\$.0035) per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.0035 per Mcf from its prior total RF of \$.0000 per Mcf.

¹ Case No. 2013-00148, Application of Atmos Energy Corporation for an Adjustment of Rates and Tariff Modifications (Ky. PSC Apr. 22, 2014).

4. Atmos's notice sets out its current Correction Factor ("CF") of (\$.6457) per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.0817 per Mcf from its previous CF of (\$.7274) per Mcf.

5. Atmos's notice sets out its Performance Based Rate Recovery Factor ("PBRF") of \$.1527 per Mcf, which is no change from its previous PBRF.

6. Atmos's GCAs are \$4.0835 per Mcf for firm sales customers and \$2.7617 per Mcf for interruptible sales customers. The impact on firm sales customers is a decrease of \$.1398 per Mcf from the previous GCA of \$4.2233 per Mcf. The impact on interruptible sales customers is a decrease of \$.1407 per Mcf from the previous GCA of \$2.9024 per Mcf.

7. The rates as proposed by Atmos and set forth in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just and reasonable, and should be approved for final meter readings by Atmos on and after November 1, 2015.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates proposed by Atmos and set forth in the Appendix to this Order are approved for final meter readings on and after November 1, 2015.

2. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, Atmos shall file with this Commission, using the Commission's electronic Tariff Filing System, revised tariff sheets setting out the rates approved herein and reflecting that they were approved pursuant to this Order.

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By the Commission

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APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2015-00327 DATED UCI 20 2015

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Atmos Energy Corporation. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of the Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

RATES:

Applicable to: General Sales Service Rate G-1

Gas Cost Adjustment

To each bill rendered under the above-named rate schedule there shall be added an amount equal to: \$4.0835 per Mcf of gas used during the billing period.

Applicable to: Interruptible Sales Service Rate G-2

Gas Cost Adjustment

To each bill rendered under the above-named rate schedule there shall be added an amount equal to: \$2.7617 per Mcf of gas used during the billing period. *Atmos Energy Corporation 3275 Highland Pointe Drive Owensboro, KY 42303

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