

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF ATMOS ENERGY)	
CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER)	CASE NO.
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO)	2015-00379
2,500,000 SHARES OF COMMON STOCK)	
THROUGH ITS LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission the original and ten copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due within seven 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 filing a paper containing personal information, Atmos shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Provide a copy of Atmos's most recent updated Long-Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP") for the record in this proceeding.

2. In Case No. 2011-00087¹ Atmos was authorized to issue 2,200,000 shares of common stock through its LTIP.

a. State how many shares Atmos issued as a result of that authorization. If any shares have not been issued, explain whether Atmos expects to issue them.

b. Provide an analysis of the total shares issued by type of award, including the total value of the transaction and the per share price of the stock issued.

c. Provide the financial impact on ratepayers resulting from the issuance of the common stock authorized in Case No. 2011-00087.

¹ Case No. 2011-00087, *Application of Atmos Energy Corporation for an Order Authorizing the Issuance of up to 2,200,000 Shares of Common Stock Through Its Long-Term Incentive Plan* (Ky. PSC Apr. 28, 2011).

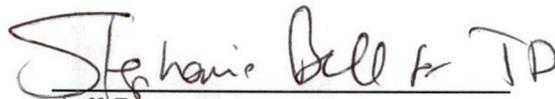
3. Identify the current Kentucky employees and their positions and non-employee directors that are eligible to receive awards through Atmos's LTIP.

4. Paragraph 9 of the application states that Atmos is requesting expedited consideration of its Application. Explain what is meant by "expedited" in this instance, and whether Atmos requires an Order in less than the 60 days provided in KRS 278.300(2).

5. Refer to the Application, Exhibit A, page 1, which states that as of September 30, 2015, Atmos Energy Corporation had 101,478,818 shares of common stock issued and outstanding. Also refer to Exhibit A, page 5, which shows Shareholders' equity – Common stock is \$507 (Thousands of Dollars). Provide the par value of Atmos's common stock.

6. Provide the current New York Stock Exchange price of Atmos's common stock, and provide the year-end price for 2011 through 2014.

7. State the amount Atmos anticipates realizing from the issuance of up to 2.5 million shares under the LTIP and whether all the proceeds will be used for the LTIP.



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