

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF ATMOS)	
ENERGY CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF)	CASE NO.
SPECIAL CONTRACT PURSUANT TO ITS)	2022-00292
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RIDER)	

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 an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on October 12, 2022. The Commission directs Atmos to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the question to which the response is made and 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 the person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

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 Atmos obtains information that indicates 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 shall 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. 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. Refer to the Application, page 2 and the Large Volume Natural Gas Service Agreement, page 1.

a. Confirm that Matalco Kentucky LLC (Matalco) is a new customer that is constructing new facilities that are the subject of this special contract. If confirmed, describe the new facilities that are being constructed, the location of those facilities, and provide when the construction will be completed. If this cannot be confirmed, explain why not.

b. Refer to Atmos's Economic Development Rider (EDR) tariff which is attached to the application. The EDR tariff states that "[t]his Rider is available for load associated with initial permanent service to new establishments, expansion of existing establishments or new customers in existing establishments. This Rider may also be available for existing customers that are experiencing financial hardship, if certain conditions can be met." Identify the category that Matalco falls under to qualify it for the EDR discount and fully explain how Matalco's situation permits it to qualify for the EDR discount.

2. Refer to the Large Volume Natural Gas Service Agreement, page 2.

a. State whether the Pipeline Replacement Program Rider rates will apply to Matalco. If not, explain why not.

b. Provide a hypothetical bill illustrating the application of the EDR discount.

c. Provide estimated volumes for Matalco for the first five years of the EDR contract, with associated estimated billings. The estimated billing should be in sufficient detail to show how the tariff rates and the EDR discounts will be applied to estimated volumes.

3. State whether Atmos has adequate capacity to service Matalco and provide any analysis that Atmos conducted to determine that it has adequate capacity, with a reserve margin for system reliability, to serve Matalco.

4. Provide copies of all correspondence between Atmos and Matalco regarding the EDR, including electronic mail messages and notes of telephone conversations.



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