

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF ATMOS	)	
ENERGY CORPORATION FOR TO ESTABLISH	)	CASE NO.
PRP RIDER RATES FOR THE TWELVE MONTH	)	2024-00226
PERIOD BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024	)	

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

Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, shall file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on November 22, 2024. The Commission directs Atmos to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085<sup>1</sup> 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

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<sup>1</sup> 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 or incomplete when made or, though correct or complete when made, is now incorrect or incomplete 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 and scanned 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. Provide the expected federal tax expense or loss, on a standalone basis, for Atmos's operations for the years ending September 30, 2024, and September 30, 2025, including all revenue and expenses for regulated operations but excluding operating losses carried forward or backward from other years, and provide all work papers showing how the expected tax expense was calculated in each year in Excel spreadsheet format with all formulas, rows, and columns fully accessible and unprotected.

2. Identify the dollar amount of all capital projects allocated to Atmos's Kentucky operations and included as an addition to plant in service for Atmos's Kentucky operations in each of the fiscal years ending September 30, 2022, September 30, 2023, and September 30, 2024.

3. Identify the total change in federal deferred tax liabilities, whether an increase or decrease, from Atmos's Kentucky operation in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and provide all work papers showing how the change in deferred tax liabilities was calculated in Excel spreadsheet format with all formulas, rows, and columns fully accessible, intact, and unprotected.

4. Identify all projected capital expenditures for Atmos's Kentucky operations in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025.

5. State whether Atmos is proposing a different annual PRP investment cap than the \$30 million currently in effect, and whether its request for waiver is for a specific one-time approval of an amount higher than \$30 million.

6. Provide Atmos's estimate of the annual PRP investment necessary to complete the replacement of the bare steel pipe on its system within the timeframe approved by the Commission.

7. Explain how long Atmos expects it will take to complete the replacement of the bare steel pipe, if Atmos's PRP investment is limited to the \$30 million annual cap.

8. Explain whether Atmos identified its pipe replacement needs for the next five years, or longer, for both bare steel and Adyl-A pipe. If so, provide it. If not, explain why not.



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