



November 17, 2004

Honorable Thomas M. Dorman Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

> Re: Atmos Energy Corporation Case No 2004-00300

Dear Mr. Dorman:

Pursuant to the Order of the Kentucky Public Service Commission dated October 6, 2004 in the above-referenced docket, enclosed is Atmos Energy Corporation's report of action relating the debt and equity issuances authorized by the \$2,200,000,000 Universal Shelf Registration for debt and equity financing.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (972) 855-9755. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Treasurer

Enclosures

cc: Gary Smith Doug Walther Wes Stevens

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION CASE NO. 2004-00300

REPORT OF ACTION November 15, 2004

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RE: Application of Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos), for an order authorizing the implementation of a \$2,200,000,000 Universal Shelf Registration for debt and equity financing.

Reference is made to the order entered into on October 6, 2004, which requires Atmos make a report to the Commission relative to the issuance of any securities pursuant to the universal shelf registration.

Atmos hereby reports:

- On October 18, 2004, Atmos priced \$1.4 billion of senior unsecured notes in four series. The notes consist of \$300 million of floating rate senior unsecured notes due 2007, with an annual interest rate of three-month LIBOR plus 0.375% (initial annual interest rate of 2.47%), \$400 million of 4.00% senior unsecured notes due 2009, \$500 million of 4.95% senior unsecured notes due 2014 and \$200 million of 5.95% senior unsecured notes due 2034.
- 2. On October 22, 2004, Atmos received net proceeds of \$1,388,731,000.00. The proceeds from the debt issuance were used to pay off short term debt outstanding in association with the October 1, 2004 acquisition of TXU Gas Company. Attached as Exhibit A is the Performance Report issued by Merrill Lynch outlining the pricing, interest rate, purchasers, fees and includes the Prospectus Supplement dated as of October 18, 2004. Attached as Exhibit B is the indicative pricing information furnished by Merrill Lynch & Co as of September 21, 2004.
- Current market rates are exceptionally favorable and based on credit spreads for similarly rated issuers over equivalent maturity Treasury securities, Merrill was able to offer the \$1.4 billion senior notes at an all in spread of 49 -121 bp pricing range for the four series. The tight pricing and broad distribution of the notes helped attain optimal pricing.
- 4. In June 2004, Atmos entered into two cash-settled treasury locks to fix the Treasury yield component of \$675 million principal amount of the notes. In September 2004, Atmos entered into two additional agreements to fix the Treasury component of an additional \$200 million principal amount of the notes. The termination of all four treasury locks occurred on October 22, 2004 with \$43.7 million in net settlement paid by Atmos. Attached as Exhibit C are the derivative confirmations outlining the terms of the agreements.
- 5. On October 27, 2004, Atmos offered 14,000,000 shares of common stock, no par value to the public at \$24.75 per share with net proceeds to the Company of \$332,640,000. The proceeds from the stock issuance were used to repay short-term debt outstanding in association with the acquisition of TXU Gas Company. Attached as Exhibit A is the Performance Report issued by Merrill Lynch outlining

the pricing, allocation of shares, fees and includes the Prospectus Supplement dated as of October 21, 2004.

- 6. The Prospectus Supplement allowed for an additional issuance of up to 2,100,000 shares at the \$24.75 price, less underwriting discount, within 30 days from the date of the Prospectus Supplement to cover overallotments. On October 27, 2004, the Company received net proceeds of \$49,896,000 from the issuance of 2,100,000 shares of common stock issued through the overallotment provision.
- 7. As of October 31, 2004, Atmos has placed \$1.4 billion in senior notes and issued \$398,475,000 in common stock leaving \$401,525,000 of the original \$2.2 billion registration available for additional issuances.

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Indicative New Issue Levels for Atmos Energy Corporation (September 21, 2004)

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Exhibit A

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Performance Report



Common Stock Offering Senior Unsecured Notes Offering

November 2, 2004

