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RE: Case No. 2005-00321

We enclose one attested copy of the Commission's Order in the above case.

Sincerely,

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

MODIFICATIONS OF ATMOS ENERGY)
CORPORATION'S GAS COST ADJUSTMENT) CASE NO.
TO INCORPORATE PERFORMANCE BASED) 2005-00321
RATEMAKING MECHANISM)

ORDER

Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos") applied to the Commission for authority to modify its current Performance-Based Ratemaking mechanism ("PBR") and to extend the proposed PBR for an additional 5 years. Atmos filed this application in Case No. 2001-00317. However, the Commission opened the above-referenced docket to review Atmos's proposal.

Subsequent to Atmos's application being assigned a new docket number, the Attorney General moved to intervene in Case No. 2001-00317. His motion has, therefore, been placed in the case file of this proceeding. After reviewing the Attorney General's motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the motion is granted, and the Attorney General is hereby made a party to this proceeding.

¹ Case No. 2001-00317, The Modification to Western Kentucky Gas Company, a Division of Atmos Energy Corporation (WKG) Gas Cost Adjustment to Incorporate an Experimental Performance-Based Ratemaking Mechanism.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 19th day of August, 2005.

executive Director

By the Commission

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