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Ms. Talina Mathews, Executive Director
Kentucky Public Service Commission
211 Sower Boulevard
P.O. Box 615
Frankfort, KY 40602

Re: Case No. ~~2018-00000~~
2017-00478

Dear Ms. Mathews:

We are filing the enclosed original and ten (10) copies of a notice under the provisions of our Gas Cost Adjustment Clause, Case No. 2013-00148. **This filing contains a Petition of Confidentiality and confidential documents.**

Please indicate receipt of this filing by stamping and dating this letter and returning a scanned copy by E-mail to Anthony.Croissant@atmosenergy.com.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 972-855-3115.

Sincerely,


Anthony Croissant
Sr. Rate Administration Analyst

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE
KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

GAS COST ADJUSTMENT)
FILING OF)
ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION)

2017-00478

Case No. ~~2018-00000~~

NOTICE

QUARTERLY FILING

For The Period

February 1, 2018 – April 30, 2018

Attorney for Applicant

Mark R. Hutchinson
611 Frederica Street
Owensboro, Kentucky 42301

December 22, 2017

Atmos Energy Corporation, ("the Company"), is duly qualified under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky to do its business. The Company is an operating public utility engaged in the business of purchasing, transporting and distributing natural gas to residential, commercial and industrial users in western and central Kentucky. The Company's principal operating office and place of business is 3275 Highland Pointe Drive, Owensboro, Kentucky 42303. Correspondence and communications with respect to this notice should be directed to:

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The Company gives notice to the Kentucky Public Service Commission, hereinafter "the Commission", pursuant to the Gas Cost Adjustment Clause contained in the Company's settlement gas rate schedules in **Case No. 2013-00148**.

The Company hereby files Nineteenth Revised Sheet No. 4, Nineteenth Revised Sheet No. 5, and Nineteenth Revised Sheet No. 6 to its PSC No. 2, Rates, Rules and Regulations for Furnishing Natural Gas to become effective February 1, 2018.

The Gas Cost Adjustment (GCA) for firm sales service is \$5.2725 per Mcf and \$3.9548 per Mcf for interruptible sales service. The supporting calculations for the Nineteenth Revised Sheet No. 5 are provided in the following Exhibits:

Exhibit A – Comparison of Current and Previous Gas Cost Adjustment (GCA) Cases

Exhibit B – Expected Gas Cost (EGC) Calculation

Exhibit C - Rates used in the Expected Gas Cost (EGC)

Exhibit D – Correction Factor (CF) Calculation

Exhibit E – Refund Factor (RF) Calculation

Exhibit E – Performance Based Rate Recovery Factor (PBRRF) Calculation

Since the Company's last GCA filing, Case No. 2017-00402, the following changes have occurred in its pipeline and gas supply commodity rates for the GCA period.

1. The commodity rates per Mcf used are based on historical estimates and/or current data for the quarter of February 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018, as shown in Exhibit C, page 1 of 2.
2. The G-1 Expected Gas Cost will be approximately \$4.5513 per Mcf for the quarter of February 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018, as compared to \$4.5613 per Mcf used for

the period of November 1, 2017 through January 31, 2018. The G-2 Expected Commodity Gas Cost will be approximately \$3.2336 for the quarter of February 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018 as compared to \$3.3446 for the period of November 1, 2017 through January 31, 2018.

3. The Company's notice sets out a new Correction Factor of \$0.5360 per Mcf which will remain in effect until at least April, 2018.

4. The Refund Factor of (\$0.0000) per Mcf will remain in effect until the refund has been completed.

The GCA tariff as approved in Case No. 92-558 provides for a Correction Factor (CF) which compensates for the difference between the expected gas cost and the actual gas cost for prior periods. A revision to the GCA tariff effective December 1, 2001, Filing No. T62-1253, provides that the Correction Factor be filed on a quarterly basis. In Case No. 2013-00148, effective January 24, 2014, the Company's GCA tariff allows recovery of any gas cost which is uncollectible, to be included in each February GCA filing.

The Company is filing its updated Correction Factor that is based upon the balance in the Company's 1910 Account as of October 31, 2017 (November, 2017 general ledger). The calculation for the Correction Factor is shown on Exhibit D, Page 1 of 6. Also beginning with the January, 2014 GCA filing in compliance with tariff page 16 from the Rate Case filing

(Case No. 2013-00148) the Company is allowed to recover the net uncollectible gas cost (net uncollectible gas cost less subsequently collected gas cost).

WHEREFORE, Atmos Energy Corporation requests this Commission, pursuant to the Commission's order in Case No. 99-070, to approve the Gas Cost Adjustment (GCA) as filed in Nineteenth Revised Sheet No. 5; and Nineteenth Revised Sheet No. 6 setting out the General Transportation Tariff Rate T-3 and T-4 for each respective sales rate for meter readings made on and after February 1, 2018.

DATED at Dallas, Texas this 22th Day of December, 2017.

ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

By: 

Anthony Croissant
Sr. Rate Administration Analyst
Atmos Energy Corporation

ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION
NAME OF UTILITY

Current Rate Summary

Case No. 2018-00000

Firm Service

Base Charge:

Residential (G-1)	-	\$17.50	per meter per month
Non-Residential (G-1)	-	44.50	per meter per month
Transportation (T-4)	-	375.00	per delivery point per month
Transportation Administration Fee	-	50.00	per customer per meter

Rate per Mcf²

Sales (G-1)

Transportation (T-4)

First	300	¹ Mcf	@	6.8065	per Mcf	@	1.5340	per Mcf	(l, -)
Next	14,700	¹ Mcf	@	6.2225	per Mcf	@	0.9500	per Mcf	(l, -)
Over	15,000	Mcf	@	6.0125	per Mcf	@	0.7400	per Mcf	(l, -)

Interruptible Service

Base Charge	-	\$375.00	per delivery point per month
Transportation Administration Fee	-	50.00	per customer per meter

Rate per Mcf²

Sales (G-2)

Transportation (T-3)

First	15,000	¹ Mcf	@	4.8048	per Mcf	@	0.8500	per Mcf	(l, -)
Over	15,000	Mcf	@	4.5953	per Mcf	@	0.6405	per Mcf	(l, -)

¹ All gas consumed by the customer (sales, transportation; firm and interruptible) will be considered for the purpose of determining whether the volume requirement of 15,000 Mcf has been achieved.

² DSM, PRP and R&D Riders may also apply, where applicable.

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DATE EFFECTIVE February 1, 2018
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ISSUED BY /s/ Mark A. Martin
SIGNATURE OF OFFICER

TITLE Vice President – Rates & Regulatory Affairs

BY AUTHORITY OF ORDER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
IN CASE NO. 2018-00000 DATED N/A

FOR ENTIRE SERVICE AREA

P.S.C. KY NO. 2

NINETEENTH REVISED SHEET NO. 5

ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

NAME OF UTILITY

CANCELLING

EIGHTEENTH REVISED SHEET NO. 5

Current Gas Cost Adjustments

Case No. 2018-00000

Applicable

For all Mcf billed under General Sales Service (G-1) and Interruptible Sales Service (G-2).

Gas Charge = GCA

$$GCA = EGC + CF + RF + PBRRF$$

<u>Gas Cost Adjustment Components</u>	<u>G - 1</u>	<u>G-2</u>	
EGC (Expected Gas Cost Component)	4.5513	3.2336	(R, R)
CF (Correction Factor)	0.5360	0.5360	(I, I)
RF (Refund Adjustment)	0.0000	0.0000	(-, -)
PBRRF (Performance Based Rate Recovery Factor)	<u>0.1852</u>	<u>0.1852</u>	(I, I)
GCA (Gas Cost Adjustment)	<u><u>\$5.2725</u></u>	<u><u>\$3.9548</u></u>	(I, I)

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FOR ENTIRE SERVICE AREA

P.S.C. KY NO. 2

NINETEENTH REVISED SHEET NO. 6

CANCELLING

EIGHTEENTH REVISED SHEET NO. 6

ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

NAME OF UTILITY

Current Transportation

Case No. 2018-00000

The Transportation Rates (T-3 and T-4) for each respective service net monthly rate is as follows:

System Lost and Unaccounted gas percentage: 1.61%

				<u>Simple Margin</u>	<u>Non- Commodity</u>	<u>Gross Margin</u>	
<u>Transportation Service</u>¹							
<u>Firm Service (T-4)</u>							
First	300	Mcf	@	\$1.5340 +	\$0.0000 =	\$1.5340 per Mcf	(-)
Next	14,700	Mcf	@	0.9500 +	0.0000 =	0.9500 per Mcf	(-)
All over	15,000	Mcf	@	0.7400 +	0.0000 =	0.7400 per Mcf	(-)
<u>Interruptible Service (T-3)</u>							
First	15,000	Mcf	@	\$0.8500 +	\$0.0000 =	\$0.8500 per Mcf	(-)
All over	15,000	Mcf	@	0.6405 +	0.0000 =	0.6405 per Mcf	(-)

¹ Excludes standby sales service.

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BY AUTHORITY OF ORDER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN CASE NO 2018-00000 DATED N/A

Line No.	Description	Case No.		Difference
		(a) 2017-00402	(b) 2018-00000	
		\$/Mcf	\$/Mcf	\$/Mcf
1	<u>G - 1</u>			
2				
3	<u>Distribution Charge (per Case No. 2015-00343)</u>			
4	First 300 Mcf	1.5340	1.5340	0.0000
5	Next 14,700 Mcf	0.9500	0.9500	0.0000
6	Over 15,000 Mcf	0.7400	0.7400	0.0000
7				
8	<u>Gas Cost Adjustment Components</u>			
9	EGC (Expected Gas Cost):			
10	Commodity	3.1294	3.0109	(0.1185)
11	Demand	1.4319	1.5404	0.1085
12	Total EGC	4.5613	4.5513	(0.0100)
13	CF (Correction Factor)	0.1816	0.5360	0.3544
14	RF (Refund Adjustment)	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
15	PBRRF (Performance Based Rate Recovery Factor)	0.1719	0.1852	0.0133
16	GCA (Gas Cost Adjustment)	4.9148	5.2725	0.3577
17				
18	<u>Rate per Mcf (GCA included)</u>			
19	First 300 Mcf	6.4488	6.8065	0.3577
20	Next 14,700 Mcf	5.8648	6.2225	0.3577
21	Over 15,000 Mcf	5.6548	6.0125	0.3577
22				
23				
24	<u>G - 2</u>			
25				
26	<u>Distribution Charge (per Case No. 2015-00343)</u>			
27	First 15,000 Mcf	0.8500	0.8500	0.0000
28	Over 15,000 Mcf	0.6405	0.6405	0.0000
29				
30	<u>Gas Cost Adjustment Components</u>			
31	EGC (Expected Gas Cost):			
32	Commodity	3.1294	3.0109	(0.1185)
33	Demand	0.2152	0.2227	0.0075
34	Total EGC	3.3446	3.2336	(0.1110)
35	CF (Correction Factor)	0.1816	0.5360	0.3544
36	RF (Refund Adjustment)	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
37	PBRRF (Performance Based Rate Recovery Factor)	0.1719	0.1852	0.0133
38	GCA (Gas Cost Adjustment)	3.6981	3.9548	0.2567
39				
40	<u>Rate per Mcf (GCA included)</u>			
41	First 300 Mcf	4.5481	4.8048	0.2567
42	Over 14,700 Mcf	4.3386	4.5953	0.2567
43				
44				
45	<u>Refund Factor (RF)</u>			
47		Effective Date	RF	
48		Case No.		
49				
50	1 -	2017-00180	6/1/2017	0.0000
51	2 -	2017-00260	8/1/2017	0.0000
52	3 -	2017-00402	11/1/2017	0.0000
53	4 -	2018-00000	2/1/2018	0.0000
54				
55	Total Refund Factor (RF)			\$0.0000

Atmos Energy Corporation
 Comparison of Current and Previous Cases
 Transportation Service

Line No.	Description	(a)	(b)	(c)
		Case No.		Difference
		2017-00402	2018-00000	
		\$/Mcf	\$/Mcf	\$/Mcf
1	<u>T -4 Transportation Service / Firm Service (High Priority)</u>			
2				
3	<u>Simple Margin / Distribution Charge (per Case No. 2015-00343)</u>			
4	First 300 Mcf	1.5340	1.5340	0.0000
5	Next 14,700 Mcf	0.9500	0.9500	0.0000
6	Over 15,000 Mcf	0.7400	0.7400	0.0000
7				
8				
9	<u>T - 3 / Interruptible Service (Low Priority)</u>			
10				
11	<u>Simple Margin / Distribution Charge (per Case No. 2015-00343)</u>			
12	First 15,000 Mcf	0.8500	0.8500	0.0000
13	Over 15,000 Mcf	0.6405	0.6405	0.0000
14				

Line No.	Description	(a) Tariff Sheet No.	(b) Annual Units MMbtu	(c) Rate \$/MMbtu	(d) (e) Non-Commodity	
					Total \$	Demand \$
1	SL to Zone 2					
2	NNS Contract #	29760	12,340,360			
3	Base Rate	Section 4.4 - NNS		0.3088	3,810,703	3,810,703
4						
5	Total SL to Zone 2		12,340,360		3,810,703	3,810,703
6						
7	SL to Zone 3					
8	NNS Contract #	29762	27,757,688			
9	Base Rate	Section 4.4 - NNS		0.3543	9,834,549	9,834,549
10						
11	FT Contract #	29759	6,022,500			
12	Base Rate	Section 4.1 - FT		0.2939	1,770,013	1,770,013
13						
14	FT Contract #	34380	3,650,000			
15	Base Rate	Section 4.1 - FT		0.2939	1,072,735	1,072,735
16						
17	Total SL to Zone 3		37,430,188		12,677,297	12,677,297
18						
19	Zone 1 to Zone 3					
20	STF Contract #	35772	776,400			
21	Base Rate	Section 4.2 - STF		0.3282	254,814	254,814
22						
23	STF Contract #	36788	90,000			
24	Base Rate	Section 4.2 - STF		0.3282	29,538	29,538
25						
26	Total Zone 1 to Zone 3		866,400		284,352	284,352
27						
28	SL to Zone 4					
29	NNS Contract #	29763	3,320,769			
30	Base Rate	Section 4.4 - NNS		0.4190	1,391,402	1,391,402
31						
32	FT Contract #	31097	1,825,000			
33	Base Rate	Section 4.1 - FT		0.3670	669,775	669,775
34						
38	Total SL to Zone 4		5,145,769		2,061,177	2,061,177
39						
40	Zone 2 to Zone 4					
41	FT Contract #	34674	2,309,720			
42	Base Rate	Section 4.1 - FT		0.2780	642,102	642,102
43						
44	Total Zone 2 to Zone 4		2,309,720		642,102	642,102
45						
46	Zone 3 to Zone 3					
47	FT Contract #	36773	1,070,000			
48	Base Rate	Section 4.1 - FT		0.1493	344,841	344,841
49						
50	Total Zone 3 to Zone 3		1,070,000		344,841	344,841
51						
52	Total SL to Zone 2		12,340,360		3,810,703	3,810,703
53	Total SL to Zone 3		37,430,188		12,677,297	12,677,297
54	Total Zone 1 to Zone 3		866,400		284,352	284,352
55	Total SL to Zone 4		5,145,769		2,061,177	2,061,177
56	Total Zone 2 to Zone 4		2,309,720		642,102	642,102
57	Total Zone 3 to Zone 3		1,070,000		344,841	344,841
58						
59	Total Texas Gas		59,162,437		19,820,472	19,820,472
60						
61						
62	Total Texas Gas Area Non-Commodity				19,820,472	19,820,472

Atmos Energy Corporation
 Expected Gas Cost (EGC) Calculation
 Tennessee Gas Pipeline - Non-Commodity

Line No.	Description	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d) <u>Non-Commodity</u>	
		Tariff Sheet No.	Annual Units MMbtu	Rate \$/MMbtu	Total \$	Demand \$
1	<u>0 to Zone 2</u>					
2	FT-G Contract # 2546		145,000			
3	Base Rate	23		15.5759	2,258,506	2,258,506
4						
5	FT-A Contract # 95033		144,000			
6	Base Rate	14		15.5759	2,242,930	2,242,930
7						
8	Total Zone 0 to 2		<u>289,000</u>		<u>4,501,436</u>	<u>4,501,436</u>
9						
10	<u>1 to Zone 2</u>					
11	FT-A Contract # 300264		30,000			
12	Base Rate	14		10.5774	317,322	317,322
13						
14	Total Zone 1 to 2		<u>30,000</u>		<u>317,322</u>	<u>317,322</u>
15						
16	<u>Gas Storage</u>					
17	Production Area:					
18	Demand	61	34,968	2.0334	71,104	71,104
19	Space Charge	61	4,916,148	0.0207	101,764	101,764
20	Market Area:					
21	Demand	61	237,408	1.4938	354,640	354,640
22	Space Charge	61	<u>10,846,308</u>	<u>0.0205</u>	<u>222,349</u>	<u>222,349</u>
23	Total Storage		16,034,832		749,857	749,857
24						
25	Total Tennessee Gas Area FT-G Non-Commodity				<u>5,568,615</u>	<u>5,568,615</u>

Line No.	Description	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
		Tariff Sheet No.			Purchases	Rate	Total
				Mcf	MMbtu	\$/MMbtu	\$
1	<u>No Notice Service</u>				1,611,113		
2	Indexed Gas Cost					2.8820	4,643,229
3	Commodity (Zone 3)	Section 4.4 - NNS				0.0490	78,945
4	Fuel and Loss Retention @	Section 4.18.1	0.99%			0.0288	46,400
5						2.9598	4,768,574
6							
7	<u>Firm Transportation</u>				1,318,184		
8	Indexed Gas Cost					2.8820	3,799,005
9	Base (Weighted on MDQs)					0.0443	58,396
10	ACA	Section 4.1 - FT				0.0013	1,714
11	Fuel and Loss Retention @	Section 4.18.1	0.99%			0.0288	37,964
12						2.9564	3,897,079
13	<u>No Notice Storage</u>						
14	Net (Injections)/Withdrawals						
15	Withdrawals				2,304,665	2.7260	6,282,517
16	Injections				0	2.8820	0
17	Commodity (Zone 3)	Section 4.4 - NNS				0.0490	112,929
18	Fuel and Loss Retention @	Section 4.18.1	0.99%			0.0288	66,374
19					2,304,665	2.8038	6,461,820
20							
21							
22	Total Purchases in Texas Area				5,233,962	2.8903	15,127,473
23							
24							
25	<u>Used to allocate transportation non-commodity</u>						
26							
27				Annualized		Commodity	
28				MDQs in		Charge	Weighted
29	<u>Texas Gas</u>			MMbtu	Allocation	\$/MMbtu	Average
30	SL to Zone 2	Section 4.1 - FT		12,340,360	21.24%	\$0.0399	\$ 0.0085
31	SL to Zone 3	Section 4.1 - FT		37,430,188	64.43%	0.0445	\$ 0.0287
32	1 to Zone 3	Section 4.1 - FT		866,400	1.49%	0.0422	\$ 0.0006
33	SL to Zone 4	Section 4.1 - FT		5,145,769	8.86%	0.0528	\$ 0.0047
34	2 to Zone 4	Section 4.1 - FT		2,309,720	3.98%	0.0446	\$ 0.0018
35	Total			58,092,437	100.0%		\$ 0.0443
36							
37	<u>Tennessee Gas</u>						
38	0 to Zone 2	24		289,000	90.60%	\$0.0167	\$ 0.0151
39	1 to Zone 2	24		30,000	9.40%	0.0087	0.0008
40	Total			319,000	100.00%		\$ 0.0159

Atmos Energy Corporation
 Expected Gas Cost (EGC) Calculation
 Trunkline Gas Company

Commodity						
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
Line No.	Description	Tariff Sheet No.		Purchases	Rate	Total
				Mcf	MMbtu	\$/MMbtu
						\$
1	<u>Firm Transportation</u>					
2	Expected Volumes				225,000	
3	Indexed Gas Cost					2.8820
4	Base Commodity	13				0.0051
5	ACA	13				0.0013
6	Fuel and Loss Retention	13	0.71%			0.0177
7						2.9061
8						653,874
9						

Non-Commodity

Non-Commodity						
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	
Line No.	Description	Tariff Sheet No.	Annual Units	Rate	Total	Demand
			MMbtu	\$/MMbtu	\$	\$
Injections						
10	FT-G Contract # 014573		33,750			
11	Discount Rate on MDQs			5.3776	181,494	181,494
12						
13	Total Trunkline Area Non-Commodity				181,494	181,494

Atmos Energy Corporation
 Expected Gas Cost (EGC) Calculation
 Demand Charge Calculation

Line No.	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
1	<u>Total Demand Cost:</u>				
2	Texas Gas Transmission	\$19,820,472			
3	Midwestern	0			
4	Tennessee Gas Pipeline	5,568,615			
5	Trunkline Gas Company	181,494			
6	Total	<u>\$25,570,581</u>			
7					
8		Allocated	Related	Monthly Demand Charge	
9	<u>Demand Cost Allocation:</u>	Factors	Demand	Volumes	Firm Interruptible
10	All	0.1478	\$3,779,332	16,971,263	0.2227 0.2227
11	Firm	0.8522	21,791,249	16,537,040	1.3177
12	Total	<u>1.0000</u>	<u>\$25,570,581</u>		<u>1.5404 0.2227</u>
13					
14			Volumetric Basis for		
15		Annualized	Monthly Demand Charge		
16		Mcf @14.65	All	Firm	
17	<u>Firm Service</u>				
18	Sales:				
19	G-1	16,537,040	16,537,040	16,537,040	1.5404
20					
21	<u>Interruptible Service</u>				
22	Sales:				
23	G-2	434,223	434,223		1.5404 0.2227
24					
25	<u>Transportation Service</u>				
26	T-3 & T-4	29,383,024			
27					
28		<u>46,354,287</u>	<u>16,971,263</u>	<u>16,537,040</u>	
29					
30					

Atmos Energy Corporation
 Expected Gas Cost (EGC) Calculation
 Commodity - Total System

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
Line No.	Purchases		Rate	Total
Description	Mcf	MMbtu	\$/Mcf	\$
1 Texas Gas Area				
2 No Notice Service	1,544,692	1,611,113	3.0871	4,768,574
3 Firm Transportation	1,263,839	1,318,184	3.0835	3,897,079
4 No Notice Storage	2,209,650	2,304,665	2.9244	6,461,820
5 Total Texas Gas Area	5,018,181	5,233,962	3.0145	15,127,473
6				
7 Tennessee Gas Area				
8 FT-A and FT-G	421,412	447,371	3.1188	1,314,309
9 FT-GS	0	0	0.0000	0
10 Gas Storage	0			
11 Injections	0	0	0.0000	0
12 Withdrawals	722,458	766,961	2.9033	2,097,486
13	1,143,870	1,214,332	2.9827	3,411,795
14 Trunkline Gas Area				
15 Firm Transportation	224,104	225,000	2.9177	653,874
16				
17 Company Owned Storage				
18 Withdrawals	1,729,182	1,803,537	2.8038	4,848,281
19 Injections	0		2.8038	0
20 Net WKG Storage	1,729,182	1,803,537	2.8038	4,848,281
21				
22				
23 Local Production	5,690	6,040	2.8821	16,399
24				
25				
26				
27 Total Commodity Purchases	8,121,027	8,482,871	2.9624	24,057,822
28				
29 Lost & Unaccounted for @	1.61%	130,748	136,574	
30				
31 Total Deliveries	7,990,279	8,346,297	3.0109	24,057,822
32				
33				
34				
35 Total Expected Commodity Cost	7,990,279	8,346,297	3.0109	24,057,822
36				
37				
38 Note: Column (c) is calculated by dividing column (d) by column (a)				
39				

Line No.	Description	MCF
	<u>Annualized Volumes Subject to Demand Charges</u>	
1	Sales Volume	16,971,263
2	Transportation	0
3	Total Mcf Billed Demand Charges	<u>16,971,263</u>
4	Divided by: Days/Year	365
5	Average Daily Sales and Transport Volumes	<u>46,497</u>
6		
7	<u>Peak Day Sales and Transportation Volume</u>	
8	Estimated total company firm requirements for 5 degree average	
9	temperature days from Peak Day Book - with adjustments per rate filing	<u>314,559</u> Mcf/Peak Day
10		
11		
12	New Load Factor (line 5 / line 9)	0.1478
13		

Atmos Energy Corporation
Basis for Indexed Gas Cost
For the Quarter ending October 31, 2017

The projected commodity price was provided by the Gas Supply Department and was based upon the following:

- A. The Gas Supply Department reviewed the NYMEX futures close prices for the quarter of February 2018 through April 2018 during the period December 04 through December 15, 2017.

		Feb-18 (\$/MMBTU)	Mar-18 (\$/MMBTU)	Apr-18 (\$/MMBTU)
Monday	12/04/17	2.988	2.955	2.834
Tuesday	12/05/17	2.920	2.894	2.797
Wednesday	12/06/17	2.924	2.898	2.804
Thursday	12/07/17	2.782	2.761	2.705
Friday	12/08/17	2.792	2.767	2.698
Monday	12/11/17	2.847	2.816	2.722
Tuesday	12/12/17	2.694	2.670	2.614
Wednesday	12/13/17	2.732	2.704	2.631
Thursday	12/14/17	2.704	2.678	2.622
Friday	12/15/17	2.635	2.610	2.563
Average		<u>\$2.802</u>	<u>\$2.775</u>	<u>\$2.699</u>

- B. The Company believes prices are decreasing and prices for the quarter ending April 30, 2018 will settle at \$2.882 per MMBTU (based on the average of the past ten days) for the period that the GCA is to become effective.

In support of Item B, a worksheet entitled "Estimated Weighted Average Cost of Gas" has been filed under a Petition for Confidentiality in this Case.

Atmos Energy Corporation
Estimated Weighted Average Cost of Gas
For the Quarter ending October 31, 2017

	<u>February-18</u>			<u>March-18</u>			<u>April-18</u>			<u>Total</u>		
	<u>Volumes</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Volumes</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Volumes</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Volumes</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Value</u>
Texas Gas												
Trunkline												
Tennessee Gas												
TX Gas Storage												
TN Gas Storage												
WKG Storage												
Midwestern												

(This information has been filed under a Petition for Confidentiality)

WACOGs

Line No.	(a) Month	(b) Actual Purchased Volume (Mcf)	(c) Recoverable Gas Cost	(d) Actual GCA Recovered Gas Cost	(e) Under (Over) Recovery Amount	(f) Adjustments	(g) Total
1	August-17	405,733	\$2,734,901.76	\$1,753,954.79	\$980,946.97	\$0.00	\$980,946.97
2							
3	September-17	255,689	\$2,979,765.54	\$2,105,398.92	\$874,366.62	\$0.00	\$874,366.62
4							
5	October-17	845,641	\$4,372,665.62	\$2,109,819.04	\$2,262,846.58	\$0.00	\$2,262,846.58
6							
7	Total Gas Cost						
8	Under/(Over) Recovery		<u>\$10,087,332.92</u>	<u>\$5,969,172.75</u>	<u>\$4,118,160.17</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$4,118,160.17</u>
9							
10	PBR Savings reflected in Gas Costs		<u>\$1,056,023.97</u>				
11							
12	<u>Correction Factor - Part 1</u>						
13	(Over)/Under Recovered Gas Cost through July 2017 (August 2017 GL)					3,121,157.86	
14	Total Gas Cost Under/(Over) Recovery for the three months ended October 2017					4,118,160.17	
15	Recovery from outstanding Correction Factor (CF)					(107,973.74)	\$6,077,146.49
16	Prior Net Uncollectable Gas Cost as of November, 2016					<u>1,436,699.05</u>	
17	(Over)/Under Recovered Gas Cost through October 2017 (November 2017 GL) (a)					<u>\$8,568,043.34</u>	
18	Divided By: Total Expected Customer Sales (b)					16,971,263	Mcf
19							
20	Correction Factor - Part 1					<u>\$0.5049</u>	/ Mcf
21							
22	<u>Correction Factor - Part 2</u>						
23	Net Uncollectable Gas Cost through November 2017 (c)					<u>528,382.51</u>	
24	Divided By: Total Expected Customer Sales (b)					16,971,263	
25							
26	Correction Factor - Part 2					<u>\$0.0311</u>	/ Mcf
27							
28	<u>Correction Factor - Total (CF)</u>						
29	Total Deferred Balance through October 2017 (November 2017 GL) incl. Net Uncol Gas Cost					<u>\$9,096,425.85</u>	
30	Divided By: Total Expected Customer Sales (b)					16,971,263	
31							
32	Correction Factor - Total (CF)					<u><u>\$0.5360</u></u>	/ Mcf
33							

Atmos Energy Corporation
Recoverable Gas Cost Calculation
For the Three Months Ended October 2017
2018-00000

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Line No.	Description	GL	Unit	September-17	October-17	November-17
				(a)	(b)	(c)
				Month		
				August-17	September-17	October-17
1	Supply Volume					
2	Pipelines:					
3	Texas Gas Transmission ¹		Mcf	0	0	0
4	Tennessee Gas Pipeline ¹		Mcf	0	0	0
5	Trunkline Gas Company ¹		Mcf	0	0	0
6	Midwestern Pipeline ¹		Mcf	0	0	0
7	Total Pipeline Supply		Mcf	0	0	0
8	Total Other Suppliers		Mcf	1,494,189	1,568,165	2,161,789
9	Off System Storage					
10	Texas Gas Transmission		Mcf	0	0	0
11	Tennessee Gas Pipeline		Mcf	0	0	0
12	System Storage					
13	Withdrawals		Mcf	0	0	0
14	Injections		Mcf	(651,872)	(760,971)	(867,305)
15	Producers		Mcf	(14,118)	1,698	1,678
16	Third Party Reimbursements		Mcf	(421)	(101)	(18)
17	Pipeline Imbalances cashed out		Mcf			
18	System Imbalances ²		Mcf	(422,045)	(553,102)	(450,503)
19	Total Supply		Mcf	405,733	255,689	845,641
20						
21	Change in Unbilled		Mcf			
22	Company Use		Mcf	0	0	0
23	Unaccounted For		Mcf	0	0	0
24	Total Purchases		Mcf	405,733	255,689	845,641

¹ Includes settlement of historical imbalances and prepaid items.

² Includes Texas Gas No-Notice Service volumes and monthly imbalances related to transportation customer activities.

Atmos Energy Corporation
Recoverable Gas Cost Calculation
For the Three Months Ended October 2017
2018-00000

Line No.	Description	GL Unit	September-17	October-17	November-17
			(a)	(b)	(c)
			Month		
			August-17	September-17	October-17
1	Supply Cost				
2	Pipelines:				
3	Texas Gas Transmission ¹	\$	1,271,478	1,237,584	1,685,972
4	Tennessee Gas Pipeline ¹	\$	200,257	200,772	224,770
5	Trunkline Gas Company ¹	\$	6,876	6,653	6,876
6	Twin Eagle Resource Management	\$	0	0	0
7	Midwestern Pipeline ¹	\$	0	0	0
8	Total Pipeline Supply	\$	1,478,612	1,445,008	1,917,618
9	Total Other Suppliers	\$	4,288,205	4,474,994	6,292,871
10	Hedging Settlements	\$	0	0	0
11	Off System Storage				
12	Texas Gas Transmission	\$			
13	Tennessee Gas Pipeline	\$			
14	WKG Storage	\$	161,659	161,659	161,659
15	System Storage				
16	Withdrawals	\$	0	0	23,049
17	Injections	\$	(1,895,527)	(1,670,878)	(2,191,555)
18	Producers	\$	7,868	8,356	5,350
19	Third Party Reimbursements	\$	(2,309)	(1,304)	(89)
20	Pipeline Imbalances cashed out	\$			
21	System Imbalances ²	\$	(1,303,606)	(1,438,070)	(1,836,238)
22	Sub-Total	\$	2,734,902	2,979,766	4,372,666
23	Pipeline Refund + Interest				
24	Change in Unbilled	\$			
25	Company Use	\$			
26	Recovered thru Transportation	\$			
27	Total Recoverable Gas Cost	\$	<u>2,734,901.76</u>	<u>2,979,765.54</u>	<u>4,372,665.62</u>

¹ Includes demand charges, cost of settlement of historical imbalances and prepaid items.

² Includes Texas Gas No-Notice Service volumes and monthly imbalances related to transportation customer activities.

Atmos Energy Corporation
Recovery from Correction Factors (CF)
For the Three Months Ended October 2017
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Line No.	Month	Type of Sales	(a) Mcf Sold	(b) CF Rate	(c) CF Amounts	(d) RF Rate	(e) RF Amounts	(f) PBR Rate	(g) PBRRF Amounts	(h) EGC Rate	(i) EGC Recovery Amounts	(j) Total Recoveries	
1	August-17	G-1 Sales	348,332.105	\$0.0882	\$30,722.89	\$0.0000	\$0.00	\$0.1719	\$59,878.29	\$4.7963	\$1,670,705.28	\$1,761,306.46	
2		G-2 Sales	7,933.538	\$0.0882	699.74	\$0.0000	0.00	\$0.1719	1,363.78	\$3.5806	28,406.83	\$30,470.35	
6		Sub Total	356,265.643		\$31,422.63		\$0.00		\$61,242.07		\$1,699,112.11	\$1,791,776.81	
7		Timing: Cycle Billing and PPA's	0.000		862.45		(0.01)		2,208.57		54,842.68	\$57,913.69	
8		Total	356,265.643		\$32,285.08		(\$0.01)		\$63,450.64		\$1,753,954.79	\$1,849,690.50	\$1,786,239.87
11	September-17	G-1 Sales	421,627.037	\$0.0882	\$37,187.50	\$0.0000	\$0.00	\$0.1719	\$72,477.69	\$4.7963	\$2,022,249.76	\$2,131,914.95	
12		G-2 Sales	5,951.696	\$0.0882	524.94	\$0.0000	0.00	\$0.1719	1,023.10	\$3.5806	21,310.64	\$22,858.68	
16		Sub Total	427,578.733		\$37,712.44		\$0.00		\$73,500.79		\$2,043,560.40	\$2,154,773.63	
17		Timing: Cycle Billing and PPA's	0.000		(50.36)		0.00		2,532.03		61,838.52	\$64,320.19	
18		Total	427,578.733		\$37,662.08		\$0.00		\$76,032.82		\$2,105,398.92	\$2,219,093.82	\$2,143,061.00
21	October-17	G-1 Sales	416,104.899	\$0.0882	\$36,700.45	\$0.0000	\$0.00	\$0.1719	\$71,528.43	\$4.7963	\$1,995,763.93	\$2,103,992.81	
22		G-2 Sales	14,682.044	\$0.0882	1,294.96	\$0.0000	0.00	\$0.1719	2,523.84	\$3.5806	52,570.53	\$56,389.33	
26		Sub Total	430,786.943		\$37,995.41		\$0.00		\$74,052.27		\$2,048,334.46	\$2,160,382.14	
27		Timing: Cycle Billing and PPA's	0.000		31.17		0.00		2,541.61		61,484.58	\$64,057.36	
28		Total	430,786.943		\$38,026.58		\$0.00		\$76,593.88		\$2,109,819.04	\$2,224,439.50	\$2,147,845.62
31	Total Recovery from Correction Factor (CF)				\$107,973.74								
32	Total Amount Refunded through the Refund Factor (RF)						(\$0.01)						
33	Total Recovery from Performance Based Rate Recovery Factor (PBRRF)								\$216,077.34				
34	Total Recoveries from Expected Gas Cost (EGC) Factor										\$5,969,172.75		
35	Total Recoveries from Gas Cost Adjustment Factor (GCA)											\$6,293,223.82	
37													\$6,077,146.49
38	NOTE: The cycle billing is a result of customers being billed by the meter read date.												
39	The prior period adjustments (PPA's) consist of billing revisions/adjustments.												

Traditional and Other Pipelines

Description	August, 2017		September, 2017		October, 2017	
	MCF	Cost	MCF	Cost	MCF	Cost
1 Texas Gas Pipeline Area						
2 LG&E Natural						
3 Texaco Gas Marketing						
4 CMS						
5 WESCO						
6 Southern Energy Company						
7 Union Pacific Fuels						
8 Atmos Energy Marketing, LLC						
9 Engage						
10 ERI						
11 Prepaid						
12 Reservation						
13 Hedging Costs - All Zones						
14						
15 Total	1,242,720	\$3,566,653.32	1,304,712	\$3,724,202.51	1,841,737	\$5,320,016.31
16						
17						
18 Tennessee Gas Pipeline Area						
19 Chevron Natural Gas, Inc.						
20 Atmos Energy Marketing, LLC						
21 WESCO						
22 Prepaid						
23 Reservation						
24 Fuel Adjustment						
25						
26 Total	31,699	\$85,580.04	30,677	\$82,239.71	30,086	\$85,028.32
27						
28						
29 Trunkline Gas Company						
30 Atmos Energy Marketing, LLC						
31 Engage						
32 Prepaid						
33 Reservation						
34 Fuel Adjustment						
35						
36 Total	23	\$65.86	36	\$106.44	(41)	(\$122.78)
37						
38						
39 Midwestern Pipeline						
40 Atmos Energy Marketing, LLC						
41 Midwestern Gas Transmission						
42 Anadarko						
43 Prepaid						
44 Reservation						
45 Fuel Adjustment						
46						
47 Total	219,747	\$636,136.36	232,740	\$668,638.83	290,007	\$888,150.46
48						
49						
50 ANR Pipeline						
51 Atmos Energy Marketing, LLC						
52 LG&E Natural						
53 Anadarko						
54 Prepaid						
55 Reservation						
56 Fuel Adjustment						
57						
58 Total	0	(\$230.69)	0	(\$193.41)	0	(\$200.88)
59						
60						
61 All Zones						
62 Total	1,494,189	\$4,288,204.89	1,568,165	\$4,474,994.08	2,161,789	\$6,292,871.43
63						
64						
65						

**** Detail of Volumes and Prices Has Been Filed Under Petition for Confidentiality ****

Atmos Energy Corporation

Net Uncollectible Gas Cost

Twelve Months Ended November, 2017

Exhibit D

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Line No.	Month	Gas Cost Written Off	Margin Written Off	Taxes & Other Written Off	Total Written Off	Gas Cost Collected	Margin Collected	Net Uncollectible Gas Cost	Cumulative Net Uncollectible Gas Cost
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)
1	Dec-16	(\$71,461.94)	(\$113,714.62)	(\$6,441.17)	(\$191,617.73)	\$16,337.34	\$18,571.40	\$55,124.60	\$55,124.60
2	Jan-17	(\$24,612.80)	(\$73,726.83)	(\$3,217.64)	(\$101,557.27)	\$8,481.09	\$8,366.24	\$16,131.71	\$71,256.31
3	Feb-17	\$4,735.63	(\$22,578.05)	(\$2,361.71)	(\$20,204.13)	\$9,807.69	\$11,019.78	(\$14,543.32)	\$56,712.99
4	Mar-17	(\$6,174.88)	(\$42,912.97)	(\$1,383.25)	(\$50,471.10)	\$10,989.12	\$10,716.24	(\$4,814.24)	\$51,898.75
5	Apr-17	(\$8,954.38)	(\$38,313.33)	(\$1,481.31)	(\$48,749.02)	\$5,209.20	\$4,225.92	\$3,745.18	\$55,643.93
6	May-17	(\$19,083.71)	(\$43,180.44)	(\$290.74)	(\$62,554.89)	\$3,042.36	\$5,403.56	\$16,041.35	\$71,685.28
7	Jun-17	(\$31,134.24)	(\$55,295.62)	(\$3,003.38)	(\$89,433.24)	\$5,910.18	\$7,065.71	\$25,224.06	\$96,909.34
8	Jul-17	(\$41,563.47)	(\$90,787.54)	(\$3,830.25)	(\$136,181.26)	\$4,094.15	\$4,603.11	\$37,469.32	\$134,378.66
9	Aug-17	(\$73,895.47)	(\$115,109.13)	(\$7,040.66)	(\$196,045.26)	\$6,380.26	\$5,782.72	\$67,515.21	\$201,893.87
10	Sep-17	(\$298,777.81)	(\$514,370.29)	(\$30,131.42)	(\$843,279.52)	\$7,501.23	\$14,285.51	\$291,276.58	\$493,170.45
11	Oct-17	(\$60,014.97)	(\$94,528.62)	(\$5,868.38)	(\$160,411.97)	\$21,745.54	\$34,499.74	\$38,269.43	\$531,439.88
12	Nov-17	(\$20,993.08)	(\$65,859.17)	(\$2,872.85)	(\$89,725.10)	\$24,050.45	\$30,959.37	(\$3,057.37)	\$528,382.51

Atmos Energy Corporation
Performance Based Rate Recovery Factor
2018-00000
(PBRRF)

Exhibit E

Line No.	Amounts Reported:	AMOUNT
1	Company Share of 11/16-10/17 PBR Activity	\$ 2,967,725.37
2	Carry-over Amount in Case No. 2016-00XXX	\$175,533.07
3		-
4	Total	<u>\$ 3,143,258.45</u>
5		
6		
7	Total	\$ 3,143,258.45
8	Less: Amount related to specific end users	<u>0.00</u>
9	Amount to flow-through	<u>\$ 3,143,258.45</u>
10		
11		
12		
13	Allocation	Total
14		
15	Company share of PBR activity	\$ 3,143,258.45
16		
17	PBR Calculation	
18		
19	Demand Allocator - All	
20	(See Exh. B, p. 6, line 10)	0.1478
21	Demand Allocator - Firm	
22	(1 - Demand Allocator - All)	0.8522
23	Firm Volumes (normalized)	
24	(See Exh. B, p. 6, col. (a), line 19)	16,537,040
25	All Volumes (excluding Transportation)	
26	(See Exh. B, p. 6, col. (b), line 28)	16,971,263
27		
28		
29	Total Sales Factor (Line 15 / Line 26)	\$ 0.1852 / MCF
30		
31	Total Interruptible Sales Factor (Line 29)	\$ 0.1852 / MCF

Atmos Energy Corporation
Performance Based Rate Recovery - Residual Balance Calculation
Carry-over Amount in Case No.

EXHIBIT E
Workpaper 1

Company Share of 11/14-10/15 PBR Activity
Carry-over Amount in Case No. 2015-00424

2,727,732.37
(695,131.92)

Balance Filed in Case No.

2,032,600.45

Line No.	Month	Sales	PBRRF	PBR Recoveries	PBR Recovery Adjustments	Total PBR Recoveries	Balance
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(d) + (e) = (f)	Prior (g) - (f) = (g)
1							
2	Balance Forward (from above)						\$ 2,032,600.45
3	Feb-16	3,161,509	\$0.1191	\$376,535.68	\$6,171.85	382,707.53	1,649,892.92
4	Mar-16	2,122,372	0.1191	252,774.52	\$4,026.26	256,800.78	1,393,092.14
5	Apr-16	1,258,345	0.1191	149,868.88	\$2,973.20	152,842.08	1,240,250.06
6	May-16	630,453	0.1191	75,086.96	\$2,720.04	77,807.00	1,162,443.06
7	Jun-16	423,406	0.1191	50,427.65	\$2,488.08	52,915.73	1,109,527.33
8	Jul-16	409,890	0.1191	48,817.93	\$3,159.11	51,977.04	1,057,550.29
9	Aug-16	334,732	0.1191	39,866.55	\$2,696.18	42,562.73	1,014,987.56
10	Sep-16	415,378	0.1191	49,471.52	\$2,282.64	51,754.16	963,233.40
11	Oct-16	459,799	0.1191	54,762.10	\$2,211.38	56,973.48	906,259.92
12	Nov-16	695,201	0.1191	82,798.47	\$2,277.39	85,075.86	821,184.06
13	Dec-16	2,222,721	0.1191	264,726.02	\$2,270.18	266,996.20	554,187.86
14	Jan-17	3,132,054	0.1191	373,027.66	\$5,627.13	378,654.79	175,533.07
15							
16	Total	15,265,860		\$1,818,163.94	\$38,903.44	\$1,857,067.38	\$175,533.07

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PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE
KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

GAS COST ADJUSTMENT)	CASE NO.
FILING OF)	2018-00000
ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION)	2017-00478

PETITION FOR CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION
BEING FILED WITH THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos") respectfully petitions the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001 Section (13) and KRS 61.878(1)(c)1 for confidential treatment of the information which is described below and which is attached hereto. In support of this Petition, Atmos states as follows:

1. Atmos is filing its Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") for the quarterly period commencing on February 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018. This GCA filing contains a change to Atmos' Correction Factor (CF) as well as information pertaining to Atmos' projected gas prices. The following two attachments contain information which requires confidential treatment.

- a. The attached Exhibit D, Page 5 of 6 contains confidential information from which the actual price being paid by Atmos for natural gas to its supplier can be determined.
- b. The attached Weighted Average Cost of Gas ("WACOG") schedule in support of Exhibit C, Page 2 of 2 contains confidential information pertaining to prices projected to be paid by Atmos for purchase contracts.

2. Information of the type described above has previously been filed by Atmos with the

Commission under petitions for confidentiality. The Commission has consistently granted confidential protection to that type of information in each of the prior GCA filings in KPSC Case No. 2015-00343. The information contained in the attached WACOG schedule has also been filed with the Commission under a Petition for Confidentiality in Case No. 2015-00424.

3. KRS 61.878 (1)(c) 1. provides that "...records confidentially disclosed to an agency or required by any agency to be disclosed to it, generally recognized as confidential or proprietary, which is openly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to competitors of the entity that disclosed the records..."shall remain confidential unless otherwise ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. The natural gas industry is very competitive. Atmos Energy has active competitors, who could use this information to their advantage and to the direct disadvantage of Atmos.

All of the information sought to be protected as confidential, if publicly disclosed, would have serious adverse consequences to Atmos and its customers. Public disclosure of this information would impose an unfair commercial disadvantage on Atmos. Atmos has successfully negotiated an extremely advantageous gas supply contract that is very beneficial to Atmos and its ratepayers. Detailed information concerning that contract, including commodity costs, demand and transportation charges, reservations fees, etc. on specifically identified pipelines, if made available to Atmos' competitors, (including specifically non-regulated gas marketers), would clearly put Atmos to an unfair commercial disadvantage. Those competitors for gas supply would be able to gain information that is otherwise confidential about Atmos' gas purchases and transportation costs and strategies. The Commission has accordingly granted confidential protection to such information.

4. Likewise, the information contained in the WACOG schedule in support of Exhibit

C, Page 2 of 2, also constitutes sensitive, proprietary information which if publicly disclosed would put Atmos to an unfair commercial disadvantage in future negotiations.

5. Atmos would not, as a matter of company policy, disclose any of the information for which confidential protection is sought herein to any person or entity, except as required by law or pursuant to a court order or subpoena. Atmos' internal practices and policies are directed towards non-disclosure of the attached information. In fact, the information contained in the attached report is not disclosed to any personnel of Atmos except those who need to know in order to discharge their responsibility. Atmos has never disclosed such information publicly. This information is not customarily disclosed to the public and is generally recognized as confidential and proprietary in the industry.

6. There is no significant interest in public disclosure of the attached information. Any public interest in favor of disclosure of the information is outweighed by the competitive interest in keeping the information confidential.

7. The attached information is also entitled to confidential treatment because it constitutes a trade secret under the two prong test of KRS 365.880: (a) the economic value of the information as derived by not being readily ascertainable by other persons who might obtain economic value by its disclosure; and, (b) the information is the subject of efforts that are reasonable under the circumstances to maintain its secrecy. The economic value of the information is derived by Atmos maintaining the confidentiality of the information since competitors and entities with whom Atmos transacts business could obtain economic value by its disclosure.

8. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001 (13) confidentiality of the attached information should be maintained indefinitely. The statutes cited above do not allow for disclosure at any

time. Given the competitive nature of the natural gas business and the efforts of non-regulated competitors to encroach upon traditional markets, it is imperative that regulated information remain protected and that the integrity of the information remain secure.

For these reasons, Atmos Energy requests that the items identified in this petition be treated as confidential. Should the Commission determine that some or all of the material is not to be given confidential protection, Atmos Energy requests a hearing prior to any public release of the information to preserve its rights to notice of the grounds for the denial and to preserve its right of appeal of the decision.

WHEREFORE, Atmos petitions the Commission to treat as confidential all of the material and information which is included in the attached volume marked "Confidential".

Respectfully submitted this 19 day of December, 2017.



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