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PARTIES OF RECORD

RE: Case No. 2023-00001

> **Atmos Energy Corporation** (Financing)

The Commission Staff has reviewed the filing submitted January 09, 2023 and has determined that the application in the above case now meets the minimum filing requirements. Attached please find a stamped filed copy of the first page of your filing. This case has been docketed and will be processed as expeditiously as possible.

If you need further assistance, please contact my staff at 502-564-3940.

Sincerely,

Linda C. Bridwell **Executive Director** 

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## **BEFORE THE**

## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF KENTUCKY

| IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION    | ) |                     |
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| OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION         | ) |                     |
| FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE        | ) | CASE NO. 2023-00001 |
| IMPLEMENTATION OF A \$5,000,000,000 | ) |                     |
| UNIVERSAL SHELF REGISTRATION        | ) |                     |
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## **APPLICATION**

- 1. Pursuant to KRS 278.300, and all other applicable law, Atmos Energy Corporation ("Applicant" or "Atmos Energy"), files its Application herein for an Order authorizing the implementation of a \$5,000,000,000 universal shelf registration (the "Shelf"). The Shelf will allow Atmos Energy to offer, from time to time, senior debt securities and/or shares of its common stock, without par value, at prices and terms to be determined at the time of sale. The senior debt securities and/or common stock may be issued in one or more series of issuances. Atmos Energy may sell the securities to or through underwriters, dealers or agents, or directly to one or more purchasers. The Shelf will provide Atmos Energy with greater flexibility in its financing options.
- 2. Atmos Energy will file a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the five billion dollar (\$5,000,000,000) Shelf. The aforesaid Shelf will not include any remaining unused authority at the time of the filing of the Shelf under the universal shelf registration approved by this Commission in Case No. 2021-00193. A period of three years for issuances under such a registration statement is currently the term of an SEC shelf filing.
- 3. Atmos Energy cannot currently state how the \$5,000,000,000 will be divided between senior debt and equity securities. The Company's goal is to continue to maintain its debt to equity capitalization ratio consistent with Commission approved rate and the Company does not plan to implement the Shelf that is subject of this application

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