

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION)	
FOR APPROVAL TO CONDUCT HEDGING)	CASE NO.
PROGRAM FOR THE WINTER OF 2003-2004)	2003-00192

ORDER

On November 17, 2003, Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos) filed its interim report on its natural gas hedging program for the 2003-2004 winter heating season and a motion that the Commission accept the report.¹ The interim report describes Atmos s hedging strategy and its purchasing decisions. It also provides summaries of natural gas market conditions during the period it was entering into transactions pursuant to its hedging program and the U.S. Department of Energy s winter 2003-2004 natural gas price forecast. Finally, the report contains schedules of Atmos s hedging transactions and the accounting entries made to record those transactions.

Based on the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that Atmos s interim report on its 2003-2004 hedging plan should be accepted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Atmos s interim report on its 2003-2004 hedging plan is accepted.
2. This case is closed and shall be removed from the Commission s docket.
3. Atmos s filing of the final report on its 2003-2004 hedging plan shall initiate a new case.

¹ This gas supply hedging plan is the third such plan approved for Atmos by the Commission.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 11th day of December, 2003.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

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Executive Director

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