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Re: *Application of Atmos Energy Corporation for an Adjustment of Rates and Tariff Modifications, Case No. 2013-00148*

Dear Mr. DeRouen:

The Attorney General submits this cover letter for his electronic filing in this case, and it serves as the Read1st introductory file. The filing is the Attorney General's Pre-Filed Direct Testimony in the above-referenced case dated 9 October 2013. In accordance with the Commission's 28 June, 2013 Order in this case and 807 KAR 5:001 Section 8, the electronically filed documents are a true representation of the original paper document(s) being hand delivered to the Commission no later than the second day after this electronic filing, and that all materials in the paper documents are included in the electronic filing except for portions of Mr. Watkins confidential testimony which will be filed under seal. This confidential information is treated separately because Atmos has moved for confidential treatment and the Commission has yet to issue orders on the validity of the Company's claim to the best of the undersigned's knowledge. In accordance with the Commission's 28 June 2013 Order, Ordering Paragraph 4, and 807 KAR 5:001 Section 8, the Attorney General Company is filing with the Commission one paper original and two (2) paper copies of the entire filing.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Yours very truly,

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Dennis G. Howard, II