

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION	)	
TO ESTABLISH PRP RIDER RATES FOR THE	)	CASE NO.
TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING	)	2026-00200
OCTOBER 1, 2026	)	

MOTION FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT

Comes now Atmos Energy Corporation (“Atmos Energy or “the Company”), by and through counsel, pursuant to KRS 61.878, 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13 and other applicable law, and for its motion requesting that the Kentucky Public Service Commission (“Commission”) afford confidential treatment to certain information filed in its Response to Commission Staff’s First Request for Information (“Staff’s First Request”).

1. On July 31, 2026, Atmos Energy filed its Application in this proceeding. On August 12, 2026, the Commission Staff issued Staff’s First Request. Atmos Energy is filing its responses contemporaneously with this motion.

2. Specifically, Atmos Energy is requesting confidential treatment of the attachments provided in Response to Item 1. Collectively, the information described above is designated as the “Confidential Information” for which protection is sought under KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1) and KRS 61.878(1)(m). Disclosure of the Confidential Information would permit an unfair commercial advantage to third parties and present an unnecessary and unreasonable infringement upon Atmos Energy’s legitimate privacy concerns.

3. The Kentucky Open Records Act and applicable precedent exempts the Confidential Information from disclosure, including KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1); KRS 61.878(1)(m); *Zink v. Department of Workers Claims, Labor Cabinet*, 902 S.W.2d 825 (Ky. App. 1994); and *Hoy v. Kentucky Industrial Revitalization Authority*, 907 S.W.2d 766 (Ky. 1995). As stated above, the public disclosure of the Confidential Information would harm Atmos Energy's competitive position in the marketplace which would be to the detriment of Atmos Energy. Additionally, the Confidential Information is publicly unavailable, and its confidentiality is critical to Atmos Energy's effective execution of business decisions and strategy. For these reasons, the Confidential Information satisfies both the statutory and common law standards for affording confidential treatment.

4. The Attachments to Item 1, contains portions of Atmos Energy's Distribution Integrity Management Plan ("DIMP") and its Transmission Integrity Management Plan ("TIMP") related to risk assessments. Atmos Energy believes that the DIMP and TIMP should be granted confidential treatment pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(m) because disclosure of these documents contain infrastructure records that expose potential vulnerabilities in the critical infrastructure in Atmos Energy's system. Further, Atmos Energy takes the utmost care to protect its pipeline safety procedures from being accessible in the public domain so that employees and contractors working on the system must access the most current, effective version through approved sources. Additionally, this information would also merit confidential treatment pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1) because the material is generally recognized as confidential and proprietary.

5. The Confidential Information consists of sensitive and proprietary information that is retained by Atmos Energy on a "need-to-know" basis. The Confidential Information is

distributed within Atmos Energy only to those employees who must have access for business reasons and is generally recognized as confidential and proprietary in the energy industry.

6. Atmos Energy does not object to limited disclosure of the Confidential Information, pursuant to an acceptable confidentiality and nondisclosure agreement, to intervenors with a legitimate interest in reviewing same for the sole purpose of participating in this case. Atmos Energy reserves the right to object to providing the Confidential Information to any intervenor if said provision could result in liability to Atmos Energy under any Confidentiality Agreement or Non-Disclosure Agreement.

7. In accordance with the provisions of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(2), Atmos Energy is filing separately under seal one (1) unredacted copy of the Attachment provided in response to Item 1. The documents are not being provided with highlights because confidential treatment is being requested for the entirety of the documents. Atmos Energy noted in the public version of the filing the confidential responses.

8. In accordance with the provisions of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(2), Atmos Energy respectfully requests that the Confidential Information be withheld from public disclosure for an indefinite period.

9. If, and to the extent, the Confidential Information becomes publicly available or otherwise no longer warrants confidential treatment, Atmos Energy will notify the Commission and have its confidential status removed, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001 Section 13(10).

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, Atmos Energy respectfully requests that the Commission classify and protect as confidential the Confidential Information described herein for an indefinite period.

This the 21st day of August 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the foregoing electronic filing was transmitted to the Commission on August 21, 2026, and that there are no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding. Pursuant to prior Commission Orders, no paper copies of this filing will be made.

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