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Hon. Mark R. Hutchinson
611 Frederica Street
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Re: Atmos Energy Corporation - Petition for Confidential Treatment received
March 31, 2009 - PSC Reference - Case No. 2009-00138

Dear Mr. Hutchinson:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Treatment you filed on March 31, 2009 on behalf of Atmos Energy Corporation to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential under Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.870 et. seq. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as certain information contained in its "GCA" filing for May 1, 2009 through July 31, 2009 Quarter, and more particularly described as Atmos' Quarterly Correction Factor, as well as information pertaining to its projected gas prices found in Exhibit D, page 5 which contains actual prices paid to suppliers; and the "WACOG" schedule supporting Exhibit C, page 15 containing projected prices for purchase contracts.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, section 7, the Commission has determined that the information you seek to keep confidential is of a proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to your client's competitors. Therefore, the information requested to be treated as confidential **meets the criteria for confidential protection** and will be maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this case. The procedure for usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 7(8) of 807 KAR 5:001.

If the information becomes publically available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, Atmos Energy Corporation is required by Section 8(9)(a) of 807 KAR 5:001 to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Sincerely,

Jeff Derouen
Executive Director

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cc: Parties of Record