

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ATMOS GATHERING COMPANY REQUEST )  
FOR SPECIAL PERMIT TO INSTALL )  
REINFORCED THERMOPLASTIC PIPE (RTP) ) Case No. 2009-00417  
FOR GAS-GATHERING PROJECTS IN )  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY )

FIRST DATA REQUEST OF COMMISSION STAFF  
TO ATMOS GATHERING COMPANY

Atmos Gathering Company ("Atmos") shall file with the Commission the original and ten copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due no later than January 29, 2010. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed. Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided.

Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or the person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry. Atmos shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or,

though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which Atmos fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, it shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request.

1. Atmos states that it is seeking to install reinforced thermoplastic pipe ("RTP") into regulated high-pressure gas-gathering service as part of the Shrewsbury/Park City Kentucky project involving around 23 miles of gathering pipelines. Confirm that Atmos is seeking the requested waiver for this project only and does not intend the waiver to apply to other lines within the Commonwealth.

2. Explain whether Atmos has received approval to install RTP in any other state and, if yes, provide copies of such approvals.

3. Atmos states that valve stations will be located a maximum of two miles apart, but that Flexpipe System does not recommend squeeze-off to stop gas flow.

(a) Explain whether this means the system can only be shut off at the valve stations.

(b) Explain who will be responsible for shutoff.

(c) State whether a Regional Service Technician would be required to repair the system.

(d) If a Regional Service Technician is required to make repairs, state who is responsible for contacting the Regional Service Technician and the estimated response time.

(e) Explain whether there have been any incidents involving this material on any system owned or operated by Atmos.

4. Refer to the "Reliability" section of the Application. Atmos states that "only trace amounts of gas were detected at the surface end fitting vent holes, as expected."

(a) Explain what is meant by "as expected."

(b) State what Atmos believes is an acceptable level of leakage on such high-pressure lines and explain how Atmos determined that acceptability level.

5. Provide a larger, more readable copy of the maps attached to the application. If Atmos wishes, it may also provide a copy of the maps electronically on CD-ROM.



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