

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN INVESTIGATION OF NATURAL GAS ) ADMINISTRATIVE  
RETAIL COMPETITION PROGRAMS ) CASE NO. 2010-00146

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST INFORMATION REQUEST  
TO ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission the original and 10 copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due no later than July 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 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, Atmos shall

provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention should 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. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations.

1. Refer to the Testimony of Mark A. Martin ("Martin Testimony"), pages 7 and 8. Compare Atmos's position that each marketer should be required to have its own pipeline capacity with the experience of Columbia Gas of Kentucky as set out in the Prepared Direct Testimony of Judy M. Cooper at the top of page 10.

2. Refer to the Martin Testimony on page 12 which discusses the popularity of retail choice programs.

a. Have any of its small-volume customers in Kentucky contacted Atmos within the past five years expressing interest in having a choice in gas supplier? If yes, how many and over what period of time?

b. Has Atmos communicated with the 30 sales customers mentioned at the bottom of page 13 to determine why they have chosen not to avail themselves of transportation service?

c. Have any small-volume customers contacted Atmos in Georgia expressing interest in having a choice in gas supplier comparable to that of customers of Atlanta Gas Light Company?

d. Have any small-volume customers contacted Atmos in Illinois expressing interest in having a choice in gas supplier comparable to that of customers of NICOR Gas and Peoples/North Shore Gas?



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