COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF ATMOS)	
ENERGY CORPORATION FOR AN)	CASE NO.
ADJUSTMENT OF RATES; APPROVAL OF)	2024-00276
TARIFF REVISIONS; AND OTHER GENERAL)	
RELIEF)	

ORDER

On April 29, 2025, Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos) filed a motion to excuse a witness Ned Allis from participation in the May 6, 2025, hearing in this matter. The application of Atmos included the Direct Testimony of Ned Allis, of Gannett Fleming Valuation and Rate Consultants, LLC, and a Depreciation Study prepared by Mr. Allis. As grounds for this request, Atmos pointed out that there were no requests for information from Commission Staff or the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by and through the Office of Rate Intervention (Attorney General) related to Mr. Allis' written testimony or the Depreciation Study prepared by Mr. Allis. Atmos further asserted that there is no objection to its motion from the Attorney General.²

Section 5 of 807 KAR 5:001 requires parties to a matter to file a response to a motion no later than seven days from the date of the motion's filing. Section 22 of 807 KAR 5:001 authorizes the Commission to grant deviations from the rules, for good cause shown. The motion before the Commission was filed on April 29, 2025, seeking

¹ Application (filed Sept. 27, 2024), Direct Testimony of Ned Allis, Exhibit NWA-1.

² Atmos's Motion to Excuse Witness (filed Apr. 29, 2025).

relief at a hearing scheduled for May 6, 2025. Given the date of the hearing is immediately pending, the Commission finds good cause to grant a deviation from the provisions of Section 5(2) and (3) of 807 KAR 5:001.

The Commission further finds that Atmos has shown good cause to excuse Ned Allis from appearing at the May 6, 2025 hearing. The Commission would note that should no party in attendance at the hearing be able to answer a question that Mr. Allis would best be able to best answer, the party will be expected to respond under oath by writing at a later date.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. A deviation from the Section 5(2) and (3) of 807 KAR 5:001 is granted.
- 2. Atmos's April 29, 2025 motion is granted. Mr. Allis shall be excused from appearing at the May 6, 2025 hearing.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ATTEST:

Executive Director

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