

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF ATMOS)	
ENERGY CORPORATION TO EXTEND ITS)	CASE NO.
DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND)	2025-00200
COST RECOVERY MECHANISM FOR THREE (3))	
YEARS)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, shall file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on September 19, 2025. The Commission directs Atmos to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the question to which the response is made and 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

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

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 Atmos obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect or incomplete when made or, though correct or complete when made, is now incorrect or incomplete 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 shall be given to copied and scanned 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. When filing a paper containing personal information, Atmos shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Refer to the Application, Exhibit B.
 - a. Explain in detail why the income parameters for eligible customers is 150 percent of the federal poverty level.
 - b. Explain whether Atmos has considered altering the income parameters for eligibility.
2. Refer to the Application, Exhibit B.

a. Provide more detailed examples of the weatherization improvements that fall under the \$3,000 funding limit per household for the 2024.

b. State whether a \$3,000 limit has been effective to meet the goal of the DSM program in 2024 considering the purchasing power changes with respect to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) since Case No. 2017-00424² which was 237.456 for 2017 and 305.187 for 2024 as measured by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics³ showing a 28.50 percent increase and approximately a four percent increase in average.

3. Refer to the Application, Exhibit C. Separately explain the process for verifying the eligibility requirements, particularly for income at or below 150 percent of the federal poverty level (Eligibility Requirement 1) and ownership/landlord agreements (Eligibility Requirement 3).

4. Refer to the Application, page 2, paragraph 6. Explain how the community action agencies are selected and overseen to ensure efficient and effective administration of the program. Additionally, provide a list of participating community action agencies.

5. Refer to the Application, page 3, paragraph 7.

a. Given that a cost-benefit analysis has not been prepared due to the inability to assess savings for individual customers, provide an explanation of how Atmos measures the overall success and impact of the program.

² Case No. 2017-00424, *Application of Atmos Energy Corporation to Extend Its Demand-Side Management Program, as Amended, and Cost Recovery Mechanism, as Amended for Three (3) Years* (Ky. PSC Apr. 27, 2018), final Order.

³ Bureau of Labor Statistics Data - https://data.bls.gov/pdq/SurveyOutputServlet?data_tool=dropmap&series_id=CUUR0300SA0,CUUS0300SA0

b. Explain whether there are any plans to implement a cost-benefit analysis in the future, perhaps through aggregated data or a different methodology, to better assess the program's overall economic impact.

6. Explain whether Atmos has identified any other potential DSM programs for implementation. If not, explain why not.

7. Explain whether Atmos performs a DSM potential study. If so, provide the study. If not, explain why not.

8. Provide the amount of the DSM budget spent per year for the last three years, ending in calendar year 2024.

9. Explain whether Atmos has considered expanding the budget of its existing low income DSM program. If so, explain why Atmos has not proposed to expand the budget in this proceeding.

10. Explain whether there are any anticipated changes in the customer needs that might affect the program's design or funding beyond April 30, 2029.



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