

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of PGA/ACA filing of Atmos Energy )  
Corporation for the West Area (Old Butler), West )  
Agrea (Old Greeley), Southeastern Area (Old SEMO), )  
Southeastern Area (Old Neelyville), Kirksville Area, )  
And in the Northeastern Area )

**Case No. GR-2008-0364**

Tariff No. YG-2008-0679

### **ORDER APPROVING INTERIM RATES**

Issue Date: May 29, 2008

Effective Date: June 1, 2008

On May 15, 2008, Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos or Company) filed a tariff sheet proposed to become effective June 1, 2008. The tariff sheet was filed to reflect required changes in Atmos' Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as the result of an estimated change in the cost of natural gas for the current summer season.

Implementation of the tariff rates results in changes in gas costs in all of Atmos' PGA areas:

1. For Atmos' West Area (Butler District), the net effect of this filing is to increase the total firm PGA factors to \$0.91800 per Ccf (100 cubic feet) from the current total firm PGA factor of \$0.69970 per Ccf. This represents a \$0.21830 per Ccf increase.

2. For Atmos' West Area (Rich Hill / Hume District), the net effect of this filing is to increase the total firm PGA factors to \$1.22710 per Ccf (100 cubic feet) from the current total firm PGA factor of \$1.00880 per Ccf. This represents a \$0.21830 per Ccf increase.

3. For Atmos' Kirksville Area, the net effect of this filing is to increase the firm PGA factors to \$1.03340 per Ccf from the current total firm PGA factor of \$0.78750 per Ccf. This represents a \$0.24590 per Ccf increase.

4. For Atmos' Northeast Area (Hannibal, Canton, Bowling Green and Palmyra or Combined District), the net effect of this filing is to increase the firm PGA factors to \$1.01240 per Ccf from the current firm PGA factor of \$0.78760 per Ccf. This represents a \$0.22480 per Ccf increase.

5. For Atmos' Southeast Area (SEMO District), the net effect of this filing is to increase the firm PGA factors to \$1.17530 per Ccf from the current firm PGA factor of \$0.92330 per Ccf. This represents a \$0.25200 per Ccf increase.

6. For Atmos' Southeast Area (Neelyville District), the net effect of this filing is to increase the total firm PGA factors to \$1.08750 per Ccf from the current total firm PGA factor of \$0.83550 per Ccf. This represents a \$0.25200 per Ccf increase.

The Commission's Staff filed its Memorandum and Recommendation on May 27, 2008. In its Memorandum and Recommendation, Staff supports the change in the costs and in the ACA factor and supports Commission approval and incorporation of the change in rates as expeditiously as possible, in that any rate change at this time is subject to true-up in the ACA process. Staff notes that, because Atmos' PGA clause allows for PGA change filings to take effect on ten days' notice, good cause has been shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, to permit the tariff to become effective on less than 30 days' notice. Staff recommends that the rates be immediately approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-208-0364 and GR-2007-0403.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariff sheet and Staff's Memorandum and Recommendation. The Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheet conforms to the Company's Commission-approved PGA Clause. After considering Staff's recommendation, and for good cause shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, the Commission concludes that the proposed tariff sheet should be approved to become effective on June 1, 2008, on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-208-0364 and GR-2007-0403.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. The proposed tariff sheet filed on May 15, 2008, by Atmos Energy Corporation is approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-208-0364 and GR-2007-0403, for service rendered on and after June 1, 2008. The specific tariff sheet approved is:

**P.S.C. MO. No. 2**

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**3rd Revised Sheet No. 44, Canceling 2nd Revised Sheet No. 44**

2. This order shall become effective on June 1, 2008.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri  
on this 29th day of May, 2008.