# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Atmos Energy Corporation's Purchased Gas Adjustment Tariff Filing

Case No. GR-2010-0238 Tariff No. YG-2010-0657

#### **ORDER APPROVING INTERIM RATES**

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Issue Date: May 28, 2010

Effective Date: June 1, 2010

**Syllabus**: This order approves Atmos Energy Corporation's (hereafter "Atmos") tariff that increases the Purchased Gas Adjustment rate.

On May 14, Atmos filed a tariff sheet that bears an effective date of June 1.<sup>1</sup> The tariff sheet, if approved, would result in the cost of gas for customers in the Northeast and Southeast areas decreasing by approximately 26%, and the cost of gas for customers in the Kirksville area decreasing by approximately 10%.

On May 21, the Staff of the Commission filed its Recommendation. Staff recommends that the Commission approve the proposed tariff sheet for service on and after June 1, as an interim rate, subject to refund.

Staff states that Atmos' proposed PGA factor changes were calculated in conformity with its PGA clause. Staff further states that Atmos' PGA clause allows for 10 business days' notice for filings reflecting PGA changes, and that good cause exists to approve the proposed tariff sheets on less than 30 days' notice. Staff recommends that the Commission approve the tariff sheets to become effective June 1, on an interim basis,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unless otherwise noted, all calendar references are to 2010.

subject to refund, pending a final Commission decision in this case and in Atmos' other Actual Cost Adjustment cases, which are: GR-2009-0417 and GR-2008-0364.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariff sheet and Staff's Recommendation. The Commission finds that the tariff sheet conforms to the company's Commission-approved PGA clause and is, therefore, reasonable. 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 and after the requested effective date of June 1, on an interim basis, subject to refund.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The proposed tariff sheet filed on May 14, 2010, by Atmos Energy Corporation, designated Tariff No. YG-2010-0657, is approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, for service rendered on and after June 1, 2010. The tariff sheet approved is:

### P.S.C. MO. No. 2 11<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 44, Canceling 10<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 44

2. This order shall become effective on June 1, 2010.

## **BY THE COMMISSION**

Steven C. Reed Secretary

Ronald D. Pridgin, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 28th day of May, 2010.

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