

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Atmos Energy       )  
Corporation to Modify its Approved Cast Iron Main    )  
and Unprotected Steel Main Replacement Program.    ) **Case No. GO-2006-0253**

**ORDER DIRECTING FILING**

Issue Date: December 15, 2005

Effective Date: December 15, 2005

On December 13, 2005, Atmos Energy Corporation filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission an application to modify its Approved Cast Iron Main and Unprotected Steel Main Replacement Program. With its application, the company also requests that the Commission issue an order granting the requested relief by December 31, 2005.

The Commission will require the Staff of the Commission to file a pleading stating whether Staff will be able to file a memorandum and recommendation soon enough to allow expedited treatment of this matter.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file, no later than December 20, 2005, a pleading as described in the body of this order.

2. That this order shall become effective on December 15, 2005.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

( S E A L )

Kennard L. Jones, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant to  
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 15th day of December, 2005.