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1 P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S 2 JUDGE MILLS: I think we're just going to 3 4 take entries of appearance and we'll be done in about a 5 minute. Are you ready? 6 Let's go on the record. We're on the record 7 this morning for a Prehearing Conference in GR-2003-0219 8 the 2002/2003 ACA Case for Atmos Energy. 9 I'll begin by taking entires of 10 appearance -- Mr. Frey 11 MR. FREY: Thank you, your Honor. 12 Dennis L. Frey. Representing the Staff of the Missouri 13 Public Service Commission. Post Office Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. 14 15 JUDGE MILLS: And Mr. Fischer. MR. FISCHER: James M. Fischer. Fischer and 16 Dority, P.C., 101 Madison Street, Suite 400, Jefferson 17 City, Missouri 65101. Here today on behalf of Atmos 18 Energy Corporation. 19 20 JUDGE MILLS: Thank you. Is there anything 21 that we need to take up while we're on the record? 22 MR. FREY: No, your Honor. 23 MR. FISCHER: No, I don't think so, your 24 Honor. We have a call to talk about a possible 25 settlement later today.

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JUDGE MILLS: Okay. And assuming that 1 nothing works out quickly, there's a procedural schedule 2 3 due a week from today on the 14th, but I would, of 4 course, encourage you to talk among yourselves and see 5 if you can reach a settlement; okay. 6 Mr. Frey, you look like you're about to say 7 something. 8 MR. FREY: Well, I forgot about that, your 9 Honor. Could I have a moment to confer with Mr. Fischer? 10 11 JUDGE MILLS: Sure. 12 MR. FREY: Your Honor, I was wondering if in 13 view of the fact that if there's a pretty good chance of settling this case, if we could perhaps have an extra 14 week before we need to file the procedural schedule. 15 16 JUDGE MILLS: Sure, that would be fine. We're on the record, and I'll just order it on the 17 record. You've got now until the 21st. 18 19 MR. FREY: Good. 20 JUDGE MILLS: Unless that's a holiday. I 21 think it may be. I know we've got some holidays. 22 MR. FREY: Oh, yes President's Day. 23 JUDGE MILLS: Make it the 22nd. 24 MR. FREY: Okay. Thank you, your Honor. 25 JUDGE MILLS: Your welcome. Anything

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