

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

In the Matter of the Verified Application	)	
and Petition of Atmos Energy Corporation to	)	<b><u>Case No.GO-2010-0168</u></b>
Change its Infrastructure	)	Tariff No. YG-2010-0525
System Replacement Surcharge.	)	

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Commission and submits its Recommendation concerning tariff sheets filed by Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos or the Company) in this case on February 25, 2010. Staff states that:

1. On February 25, 2010, Atmos filed replacement tariff sheets having ISRS rates consistent with the Commission’s Order issued February 24, 2010.
2. On February 25, 2010, the Commission directed the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) to file its recommendation by March 2, 2010.
3. As further detailed in Appendix A, Staff has reviewed Atmos’ tariff sheet and has found it to be in compliance with the Commission’s February 24, 2010 Order in this case. Staff recommends that the tariff sheet, as filed on February 25, 2010, be allowed to go into effect by the March 4, 2010 effective date requested by Atmos.

**WHEREFORE**, for the foregoing reasons, Staff respectfully requests that the Commission accept Staff’s recommendations in this case, and issue its Order in accord with those recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

**/s/ Samuel D. Ritchie**

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to all counsel of record this 2nd day of March, 2010.

**/s/ Sam Ritchie**

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File Case No. GO-2010-0168 / File No. YG-2010-0525 – Atmos Energy Corporation

FROM: Michael Ensrud, Tariffs/Rate Design - Energy

/s/ Tom Imhoff 3-2-10  
Project Coordinator / Date

/s/ Samuel D. Ritchie 3-2-10  
General Counsel's Office / Date

SUBJECT: Staff's Recommendation on the Tariff Sheets Filed in Compliance with Commission Order and Atmos Energy Corporation's MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT

DATE: March 2, 2010

On December 1, 2010, Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos or the Company), filed an Application and Petition (Application) with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) to increase its existing Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge (ISRS) with a proposed effective date of December 31, 2010.

On February 2, 2010, Atmos filed NOTICE OF AGREEMENT in which Atmos asks the Commission to "issue an order consistent with Staff's Recommendation"

On February 24, 2010 the Commission issued an order setting ISRS amounts, rejecting tariffs, and directing the filing of tariffs. The Commission determined the following amounts as being appropriate:

	Cumulative	Filing	Previous
		GO-2010-0168	GO-2009-0046
Northeast District	\$717,860	\$419,634	\$298,226
Southeast District	\$218,501	\$118,879	\$99,622
West District	\$35,284	\$24,952	\$10,332
<b>Total ISRS Revenue</b>	<b>\$971,645</b>	<b>\$563,465</b>	<b>\$408,180</b>

On February 25, 2010, Atmos filed replacement tariff sheets having ISRS rates consistent with the Commission's order. Further, Atmos filed a motion requesting an expedited effective date of March 4, 2010.

On February 25, 2010, the Commission issued ORDER GRANTING EXPEDITED TREATMENT AND DIRECTING FILING. The Commission directed the Staff to file its recommendation by March 2, 2010. This memo is Staff's response to that Order.

The Staff has reviewed Atmos' tariff sheet and Motion for Expedited Treatment and is of the opinion the tariff sheet was filed in compliance with the Commission's February 24, 2010 Order in this case. Staff raises no objection to Atmos' request for an expedited effective date of March 4, 2010.

The Staff has verified that the Company has filed its 2008 annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. The Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing.

Therefore, Staff recommends that the following tariff sheet, as filed on February 25, 2010, be allowed to go into effect. Further, Staff does not raise any objections to the March 4, 2010 effective date requested by Atmos.

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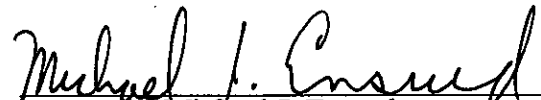
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**AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL J. ENSRUD**

STATE OF MISSOURI    )  
                                  ) ss  
COUNTY OF COLE     )

Michael J. Ensrud, of lawful age, on oath states: that he participated in the preparation of the foregoing Staff Recommendation in memorandum form, to be presented in the above case; that the information in the Staff Recommendation was provided to him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such Staff Recommendation; and that such matters are true to the best of his knowledge and belief

  
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Michael J. Ensrud

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of March, 2010.



SUSAN L. SUNDERMEYER  
My Commission Expires  
September 21, 2010  
Callaway County  
Commission #06942086

  
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