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Case No. Case No. GR-2006-0300

MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

COMES NOW Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos"), and hereby requests the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") to issue a protective order in the above-captioned case. In support thereof, Atmos states as follows:

1. In accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.085, and in order to facilitate the exchange of highly confidential and proprietary information and the preparation of a Staff Recommendation in this matter, Atmos hereby requests the Commission issue a protective order in this proceeding. None of the information for which a claim of confidentiality is made can be found in any format in any other public document. Atmos requests the Commission to issue its standard protective order, in the same form as has been customary in previous cases.

2. Atmos notes that the Commission has issued this standard protective order in numerous other dockets where it has recognized a genuine need to protect confidential information from disclosure. The issuance of protective orders in prior proceedings has helped to minimize disputes, and has provided a sound method for parties to submit confidential information.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth herein, Atmos Energy Corporation. respectfully requests the Commission to issue a protective order in this proceeding, in the same form as has been customary in previous cases.

Respectfully submitted,

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