## STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY February 1, 2001

CASE NO: GR-99-392

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Enclosed find certified copy of ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

# **OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Associated Natural Gas	)	
Company's Purchased Gas Adjustment	) )	Case No. GR-99-392
actors to be Reviewed in its 1998-1999		
Actual Cost Adjustment	)	

### **ORDER DIRECTING FILING**

On December 7, 2000, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff and Commission) filed with the Commission its reply to the response of an intervenor, i.e., Atmos Energy Corporation, through its United Cities Gas Company Division (Atmos).

Staff's pleading stated, inter alia, that Atmos, in the Stipulation and Agreement in GM-2000-312, promised to file in that case a peak day study by December 31, 2000. Staff noted that if the study contained sufficient detail, then Staff would recommend that no further study need be done. However, Staff continued, if the study did not have sufficient detail, then Staff would recommend that the Commission order Atmos to submit such a study not later than May 1, 2001. Staff assured the Commission that it would file in this case its opinion as to the sufficiency of the study no later than January 31, 2001.

On January 2, 2001, Atmos late filed its peak day study in Case No. GM-2000-312, and Staff filed its response thereto on January 30, 2001. As of February 1, 2001, Staff has not filed in this case its opinion as to the sufficiency of the study. The Commission will order the Staff to file a pleading stating its opinion.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file, no later than February 9, 2001, a pleading in this case, advising the Commission of Staff's opinion as to the sufficiency of the peak day study filed January 2, 2001, in Case No. GM-2000-312 by Atmos Energy Corporation, through its United Cities Gas Company Division.
  - 2. That this order shall become effective on February 9, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Bill Hopkins, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 1st day of February, 2001.

#### **STATE OF MISSOURI**

## OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,

Missouri, this  $1^{st}$  day of February 2001.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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