

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

In the Matter of Atmos Energy Corporation's Tariff	)	
Revision Designed to Consolidate Rates and	)	
Implement a General Rate Increase for Natural Gas	)	Case No. GR-2006-0387
Service in the Missouri Service Area of the Company.	)	

**ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION'S  
RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION  
TO APPLICATION FOR REHEARING**

COMES NOW Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos"), pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(15), and for its Response In Opposition to the Office of the Public Counsel's ("OPC") Application for Rehearing, respectfully states as follows:

Pursuant to Section 386.500, RSMo 2000, the Commission shall grant a rehearing if in its judgment there is sufficient reason to do so. Lest no response be construed as acquiescence, Atmos wishes to go on record to simply point out that OPC has not provided sufficient reason for the Commission to grant a rehearing, and respectfully submits that the Commission should deny OPC's Application for Rehearing filed in this matter on March 2, 2007.

The Commission's Report and Order clearly is based upon competent and substantial evidence in the record. The subject areas identified in OPC's Application for Rehearing – Residential Rate Design, Small General Service Rate Design, Seasonal Disconnects, Return on Equity, Depreciation and District Consolidation – and the evidentiary record relating thereto were thoroughly addressed by the Commission with the provision of specific findings to support its conclusions.

WHEREFORE, Atmos Energy Corporation respectfully requests that the Commission deny the Office of the Public Counsel's Application for Rehearing filed herein.

Respectfully submitted,


  
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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been hand-delivered, emailed or mailed, First Class mail, postage prepaid, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, to all counsel of record in this matter.

  
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