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STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 25th
day of November, 1998.

In the matter of Greeley Gas Company's Purchased)
Gas Adjustment factors to be reviewed in its)
1997-1998 Actual Cost Adjustment.)

Case No. GR-99-197

ORDER APPROVING INTERIM RATES

Greeley Gas Company (Greeley or Company), a division of Atmos Energy Company, of Dallas, Texas, submitted a tariff sheet to the Commission on November 3, 1998, carrying an effective date of December 1, 1998. The tariff sheet was filed to reflect scheduled changes in Greeley's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as the result of changes in the cost of natural gas for the upcoming winter season. The winter season includes the months of November through March. Additionally, this tariff filing reflects changes in the Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) and Refund factors.

The effect of these changes will increase the firm PGA factor for the 1998-1999 winter season to \$0.3393 per Ccf from a summer season firm PGA factor of \$0.3042 per Ccf. This represents an approximate 12% increase in gas costs to consumers.

The Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a memorandum stating that the change in Greeley's PGA was calculated in conformance with the Company's approved PGA Clause and recommends that the Commission approve the tariff sheet to become effective on December 1, 1998. Staff stated that Greeley's PGA Clause allows for a minimum of ten (10) business days notice for filings reflecting PGA changes. Staff recommends that the Commission approve the tariff sheet to become effective December 1, 1998 on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending a final Commission decision in Case No. GR-99-197.

The Commission has reviewed the tariff sheet, Staff's recommendation and request, and finds that the tariff sheet conforms to the Company's Commission approved PGA Clause and is therefore reasonable. After

considering Staff's recommendation, and for good cause shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 1994, the Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheet should be approved to become effective on and after the requested effective date of December 1, 1998, interim subject to refund.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the tariff sheet submitted on November 3, 1998, by Greeley Gas Company, a division of Atmos Energy Company, Dallas, Texas, is approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, to become effective on December 1, 1998. The tariff sheet approved is:

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2. That the Commission's Procurement Analysis Department be given the time necessary to conduct its audit of this ACA period and submit its results and recommendations regarding this ACA filing on or before May 1, 1999.

3. That this order shall become effective on December 1, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Lumpe, Ch., Murray, Schemenauer,
and Drainer, CC., concur.
Crompton, C. dissents

Woodruff, Regulatory Law Judge

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