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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 30th
day of July, 1997.

In the matter of Greeley Gas Company's)
tariff revisions to be reviewed in its)
1996-1997 Actual Cost Adjustment.)

Case No. GR-97-74

ORDER APPROVING INTERIM RATES

Greeley Gas Company (Greeley or Company), A Division of Atmos Energy Corporation, of Denver, Colorado, submitted a tariff sheet to the Commission on July 18, 1997, carrying an effective date of August 1, 1997. On July 25, 1997, the Company filed a substitute tariff sheet to correct a calculation error. The tariff sheet was filed to reflect a change in the Company's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factor due to a decrease in Greeley's cost of natural gas. The tariff sheet also reflects the Company's calculation of the Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) factor for the 1996-1997 period and the implementation of a new refund factor. The net effect of these changes will be to increase annualized revenues by approximately \$9,400. The impact on a typical residential space heating customer using 2.7 Mcf of natural gas in the month of August will be an increase of \$0.49, or 2.3%.

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 August 1, 1997. Staff stated that Greeley's PGA Clause allows for ten (10) days notice for filings reflecting PGA changes. Staff recommended that the tariff sheet be approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, until the Commission makes its final determinations in Case Nos. GR-96-124 and GR-97-74.

The Commission has reviewed the tariff sheet and Staff's recommendation and request, and finds that the tariff conforms with Greeley'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 is of the opinion that the proposed tariff sheet should be approved to become effective on and after the requested effective date of August 1, 1997, interim subject to refund.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the tariff sheet submitted on July 18, 1997, as substituted on July 25, 1997, by Greeley Gas Company, A Division of Atmos Energy Corporation, of Denver, Colorado, is approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, to become effective on August 1, 1997. 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, 1998.

3. That this order shall become effective August 1, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION



Cecil I. Wright
Executive Secretary

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Zobrist, Chm., Crumpton, and Drainer,
Murray, and Lumpe, CC., Concur.
ALJ: Wickliffe