

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

In the Matter of the Verified Application)
and Petition of Atmos Energy Corporation)
to Change its Infrastructure System)
Replacement Surcharge)

Case No. GO-2011-0149
YG-2011-0398

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), by and through Staff counsel, and for its Recommendation, states as follows:

1. On February 7, 2011, Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos or Company) filed a tariff sheet containing Atmos' Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge (ISRS) rates in response to the Commission's February 4th *Order Approving Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge* (Order). Atmos has requested a proposed tariff effective date of February 14, 2011, to coincide with the Company's next billing cycle in February.

2. Based on Staff's review of Atmos' tariff sheet, and for reasons stated in Staff's Memorandum, attached hereto as Appendix A and incorporated herein by reference, the Staff's analysis shows that Atmos' tariff sheet is in compliance with the Commission's February 4th Order. Staff is not opposed to Atmos' Motion for Expedited Treatment.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated above, the Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order allowing Atmos' tariff filing YG-2011-0398 to go into effect on February 14, 2011, as requested by Atmos.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 8th day of February 2011.

/s/ Robert S. Berlin

MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File Case No. GO-2011-0149 / File No. YG-2011-0398 – Atmos Energy Corporation

FROM: Michael Ensrud, Tariffs/Rate Design - Energy

<u>/s/ Thomas M. Imhoff 02/08/11</u>	<u>/s/ Robert S. Berlin 02/08/11</u>
Project Coordinator / Date	General Counsel's Office / Date

SUBJECT: Staff's Recommendation on the Tariff Sheets Filed in Compliance with Commission Order and Atmos Energy Corporation's MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT

DATE: February 8, 2011

On February 7, 2011, Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos or the Company), filed a tariff sheet with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission).

This tariff sheet was filed concurrently with Atmos' MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT (Motion) that requests an expedited effective date of February 14, 2011. This is in response to the February 4, 2011 Commission ORDER APPROVING INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEM REPLACEMENT SURCHARGE (Order) in Case No. GO-2011-0149. Atmos' newly submitted tariff sheet (YG-2011-0398) complies with the prescribed rates approved in the Commission's February 4, 2011 Order.

The Staff has reviewed Atmos' tariff sheet and Motion. The Staff's analysis indicates that the tariff sheet was filed in compliance with the Commission's February 4, 2011 Order in this case. Staff raises no objection to Atmos' request for an expedited effective date of February 14, 2011.

The Staff has verified that the Company has filed its 2009 annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. The Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing.

Therefore, Staff recommends that the replacement tariff sheet, as filed on February 7, 2011, be allowed to go into effect on February 14, 2011, as requested by Atmos.

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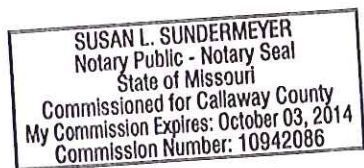
AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL J. ENSRUD

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss
COUNTY OF COLE)

Michael J. Ensrud, of lawful age, on oath states: that he participated in the preparation of the foregoing Staff Recommendation in memorandum form, to be presented in the above case; that the information in the Staff Recommendation was provided to him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such Staff Recommendation; and that such matters are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.


Michael J. Ensrud

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of February, 2011.




Notary Public