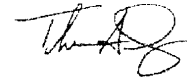


THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

Before Commissioners: John Wine, Chair
Cynthia Claus
Brian Moline

JAN 21 2003

 Docket Room

In the Matter of the Application of)
Atmos Energy for an Order to Permit the)
Company Establish Rates For a Weather)
Normalization Adjustment.)

Docket No. 03-ATMG-539-TAR

PETITION TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW, the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board ("CURB") and moves the Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("Commission") for an order permitting it to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of its petition, CURB states and alleges as follows:

1. CURB is composed of five volunteer consumer advocate members and is statutorily authorized to represent the interests of Kansas residential and small commercial ratepayers in utility proceedings.
2. CURB's Consumer Counsel has been given the discretion to intervene and represent the interests of Kansas residential and small commercial ratepayers in any utility proceeding before the Commission under K.S.A. 66-1223 et seq.
3. On January 3, 2003, Atmos Energy ("Atmos") filed an application with the Commission seeking an order to permit Atmos to establish rates for a Weather Normalization Adjustment (WNA).
4. CURB is requesting permission to intervene in this docket to represent the interests of the residential and small commercial ratepayers of Kansas. The service

received by those customers will or may be affected by any Commission order or activity in this proceeding.

5. The representation of CURB's interests in this proceeding by existing parties is or may be inadequate.

6. The residential and small commercial ratepayers whose interests CURB represents will or may be bound by any Commission order or activity in this proceeding and will or may be adversely affected thereby.

WHEREFORE, CURB RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS The Commission grant its Petition for Intervention in this Docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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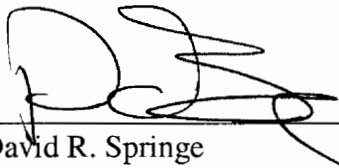
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VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS)
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) ss:
COUNTY OF SHAWNEE)

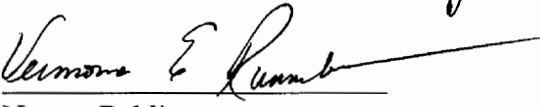
I, David R. Springe, of lawful age, being first dully sworn upon his oath states:

That he is an attorney for the above named petitioner; that he has read the above and foregoing, and, upon information and belief, states that the matters therein appearing are true and correct.



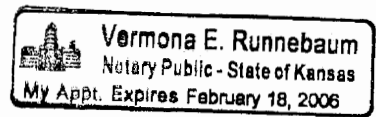
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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 17 day of January,
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Notary Public

My Commission expires: February 18, 2006

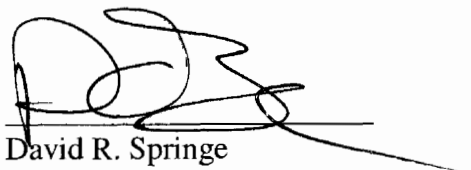


CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was placed in the U.S. mail, postage prepaid on this 21 day of January, 2003

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