

**BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

DEC 19 2012

In the Matter of the Application of Atmos Energy)
For Approval of an Accounting Order to Permit)
Atmos Energy to Recover Amounts Necessary to)
Expend in Order to Establish and Maintain a Gas)
Ceiling Price for all of the 2005-2006 Heating)
Season and for a Portion of the Budgeted Winter)
Volumes for the 2006-2007 Heating Season; and)
For Approval to Continue with Use of its "Gas)
Hedge Program" Tariff.)

by
State Corporation Commission
of Kansas

Docket No. 05-ATMG-617-HED

NOTICE OF FILING OF STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("Staff" and "Commission", respectively), and for its Notice of Filing of Staff Report and Recommendation states as follows:

Staff hereby files the attached Report and Recommendation (Report) dated December 7, 2012, prepared by James Sanderson, Managing Economist, informing the Commission of the November 27, 2012 annual joint meeting among Atmos Energy, Staff, and Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board addressing Atmos' Natural Gas Hedging Program (Hedge Program). The meeting included Atmos' update on its 2012-2013 Hedging Program, as well as the company's discussion of plans for the 2013-2014 Hedge Program. Inasmuch as Staff's Report contains confidential commercial information pertaining to Atmos Energy, Staff, in accordance with K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 66-1220a, has designated the Report as confidential.

WHEREFORE, Staff submits its Report for the Commission's information and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing *Notice of Filing of Staff Report and Recommendation* was deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, this 19th day of December 2012, addressed to:

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