

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

Before Commissioners: Andrew J. French, Chairperson
 Dwight D. Keen
 Annie Kuether

In the Matter of the Application of Atmos Energy's)
Schedule III - Schedule of Customer Advances for) Docket No. 24-ATMG-735-TAR
Construction of Mains and Company Service Lines)
that Reflects the Account Balances from the Annual)
Form 2 Filing Embedded Cost Analysis for 2023.)

SUSPENSION ORDER: JANUARY 10, 2025

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (the “Commission”) for consideration and decision. Having reviewed its files and records, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following findings:

I. Background

1. On May 15, 2024, Atmos Energy Corporation filed an Application submitting its Schedule III – Schedule of Customer Advances for Construction of Mains and Company Service Lines, along with a spreadsheet detailing the “Kansas Embedded Cost Analysis” that reflects the account balances from the Annual Form 2 filing.¹

II. Suspension Order

2. K.S.A. 66-117(c) states in part:

The commission shall not delay the effective date of the proposed change in rate, joint rate, toll, charge or classification or schedule of charges, or in any rule or regulation or practice pertaining to the service or rates of any such public utility or common carrier, more than 240 days beyond the date the public utility or common carrier filed its application requesting the proposed change. If the commission does not suspend the proposed schedule within 30 days of the date the same is filed by the public utility or common carrier, such proposed schedule shall be deemed approved by the commission and shall take effect on the proposed effective date.

¹ Application for Atmos Energy Corporation (May 15, 2024).

3. A full investigation of the Application is deemed necessary and proper. Absent suspension, the Commission and its Staff are without sufficient time to fully review, consider, and analyze whether approval of the Application will result in just and reasonable rates.

4. The Commission finds and concludes that suspension of the effectiveness of the Application and deferral of its effective date are required to allow sufficient time for full investigation of this matter. The effectiveness of the Application is hereby suspended for a period of 240 days from the date it was filed, May 15, 2024, until Friday, January 10, 2025, pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c). A Commission decision may be issued before such date.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. Pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c), the Application in the above-captioned docket shall be suspended, and the effective date deferred, until January 10, 2025.

B. Electronic service shall be utilized for serving pleadings/motions and orders.

C. Any party may file and serve a petition for reconsideration pursuant to the requirements and time limits established by K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).²

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated: 05/21/2024

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Lynn M. Retz
Executive Director

² K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following by means of electronic service on 05/21/2024.

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