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## BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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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 its Use of its "Gas Hedge Program" Tariff.

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 November 10, 2011, prepared by James Sanderson, Managing Economist, informing the Commission of the November 8, 2011 annual joint meeting involving Atmos Energy, Staff, and Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board scheduled for the purpose of discussing Atmos' planned natural gas hedging program for the 2012-2013 heating season. Inasmuch as Staff's Report contains confidential commercial information pertaining to Atmos Energy, Staff, in accordance with K.S.A. 2010 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011, addressed to:

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