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Subject: Re: Order in Docket 05-00253

Pat

The Order states "...Atmos file all future proposed asset management and gas procurement agreements or renewal of the current contract with the TRA for prior approval."

Therefore, the agreement or contract must be submitted to the TRA and receive approval before Atmos may operate pursuant to the contract or agreement. I would suggest that your time line for the RFP and contract be sufficient to allow the contract or agreement to be filed with the TRA and the TRA to act on that filing prior to it being operational. Keep in mind that if there is a problem with the contract or agreement the TRA could order changes which could necessitate the issuance of a new RFP.

Thanks
Darlene

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Darlene,

In reading back over the order in the ACA docket, the TRA adopted Staff's recommendation that "all future proposed asset management and gas procurement agreements or renewal of the current contract be filed with the TRA for prior approval."

I want to make certain we both have the same interpretation. The current asset mgmt. runs through 3/31/09. We most likely would RFP 30 days before. I'm interpreting that the TRA reviews the asset mgmt. agreement before it is issued. Do you agree? (some years off)

We will issue an RFP for gas procurement in early March 2007 for an annual bid. Similarly, I interpret that the TRA wants to look at the RFP before issuance. My interpretation that "prior approval" applies to the RFP before issuance, is that once the bids are received, the bids are rarely left open beyond ten days. We would accept the best bid, and advise the Commission and supply any analysis requested.

Would it be helpful when our RFP is prepared, we meet with you ? Also, I left you and Carsie a voice-mail. Our January insert is printed and stuffing as we speak. Otherwise, we would be happy to make any suggested changes.

Pat

CC: Collier, Richard; Dillon, Sharla