

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

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**IN RE: PETITION TO OPEN AN )  
INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE )  
WHETHER ATMOS ENERGY CORP. )  
SHOULD BE REQUIRED BY THE TRA )  
TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE )  
THAT ATMOS ENERGY CORP. IS )  
NOT OVEREARNING IN VIOLATION )  
OF TENNESSEE LAW AND THAT IT )  
IS CHARGING RATES THAT ARE )  
JUST AND REASONABLE )**

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**RESPONSE OF TRA INVESTIGATIVE STAFF  
TO ATMOS' MOTION FOR EXPEDITED REVIEW  
OF HEARING OFFICER ORDER**

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In response to Atmos Energy Corporation's Motion for Expedited TRA Review of Hearing Officer Order, the TRA Investigative Staff reiterates and paraphrases what it stated at the June 8, 2006 Status Conference on Objections: while the staff has no position on whether this docket addresses revenues attributed to the management of gas supply assets and related issues, it is the staff's strong position that these issues do get examined sooner than later. The Authority is looking at these issues concerning other companies, and there is no reason why Atmos should be treated differently; the Authority should review and reconsider the PBR as applied to Atmos in a timely manner. However, the staff does not take a position as to whether revenues from asset management should be examined in this docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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