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> RE: Docket to Consider Phase II Issues Pertaining to Atmos Energy

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> Enclosed for filing are the original and four copies of a letter written to the Directors of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority on behalf of Atmos Energy Corporation regarding the referenced matter. This filing is also being provided electronically by e-mail.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Best regards.

Scott Ross

Sincerely

ASR:prd **Enclosures** 

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Dear Directors:

At Monday's TRA Conference, the Agency ruled that a new docket will be opened to consider the "Phase II Issues" pertaining to Atmos Energy Corporation ("AEC"), and that the two existing dockets in which these issues have been raised, Dockets 05-00258, and 05-00253, will be closed in favor of this new docket. Previously, AEC had formally raised the issue of meeting with certain TRA Staff, as ordered by the presiding panel in TRA Docket No. 05-00253. At the Authority Conference on Monday, August 20, 2007, this issue was addressed by both the panel and the parties, and a tentative accommodation/resolution was reached.

AEC sincerely appreciates the Agency's willingness to accommodate the concerns raised at Monday's hearing. Considering the whole of the circumstances, including the closing of TRA Docket No. 05-00253, AEC has determined that it will not be necessary to have direct communications with TRA Staff in this matter. I have consulted with Mr. Malone, and he agrees on behalf of Atmos Energy Marketing. As a result, it will not be necessary to designate particular staff members for such a purpose.

Best regards.

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