# BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

January 24, 2017					
IN RE:	)				
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PETITION OF ATMOS ENERGY	)				
CORPORATION TO REVISE	)				
PERFORMANCE BASED	) TRA Docket No. 16-00028				
RATEMAKING MECHANISM TARIFF	· )				
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## AGREED ORDER TO RECOVER CONSULTANT EXPENSES

Exeter Associates, Inc. responded to discovery requests from the parties in this case. The parties have agreed that this work was an extension of its work as an independent consultant in Docket Number 07-00225, and the triennial review report that it prepared in that matter. As such, the parties have further agreed that Atmos Energy should pay Exeter for this additional work, and should recover such expenses through the Company's ACA account, as was done for Exeter's fees in that prior docket. To that end, the parties have agreed that Exeter shall be paid \$2,690.91 for its work in this docket, that such amount is reasonable, and that such amount shall be recovered by Atmos Energy through its ACA account, pursuant to page 45.9 of the Company's Tennessee Tariff. The undersigned hearing officer finds this to be reasonable and proper.

It is, therefore, **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED AND DECREED** that Exeter Associates, Inc. shall be paid \$2,690.91 for its work in this docket, that such amount is reasonable, and that such amount shall be recovered by Atmos Energy through its ACA account, pursuant to page 45.9 of the Company's Tennessee Tariff.

#### IT IS SO ORDERED.

This 24th day of January, 2017.

Monica Smith-Ashford, Hearing Officer

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## ADDENDUM TO CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT .

Reference is made to that certain Consulting Services Agreement between Atmos Energy Corporation ("Company") and Exeter Associates, Inc. ("Consultant"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1 (hereafter the "Consulting Services Agreement"). Except as modified herein or as may otherwise be inconsistent with the terms stated herein, all terms of the Consulting Services Agreement are incorporated by reference as if fully restated herein. It is further agreed as follows:

- 1. Engagement and Scope of Additional Services. That for and in consideration of the payment by Company to Consultant, Consultant covenants and agrees to do, provide and perform the following additional services: Consultant has responded to multiple discovery requests in Tennessee Regulatory Authority Docket No. 16-00028, which has now been resolved by settlement (hereafter the "Additional Services").
- 2. Compensation. In consideration of the Additional Services described above in Paragraph 1, including travel and all other costs and expenses, Company agrees to pay Consultant a total fee of \$2,690.91.
- 3. As a condition precedent to its force and effect, this Addendum to Consulting Services Agreement shall have no force or effect unless and until it is approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Authority") and the Authority enters an order authorizing Company to recover the Compensation paid by Company to Consultant through its ACA account, pursuant to page 45.9 of Company's Tennessee Tariff.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

EXETER ASSOCIATES, INC.

Consultant

Name: Josh Densman

Title: Vice President

Name/Jerome D. Mierzwa

Title: Vice President

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Invoice

Invoice Number 19132 October 21, 2016

Project

3531 Atmos PBR

Federal ID# 52-1220514

Atmos Energy Corporation Attn: Pamela Pleasant 810 Crescent Centre Drive Suite 600 Franklin, TN 37067-6226

Professional Services performed from September 1 through September 30, 2016

For economic consulting services in conjunction with review of Atmos' PBR mechanism.

Professional Services		<b>Hours</b>	Rate		<u>Amount</u>
Mierzwa, Jerome D.		5.0	180.00	\$	900.00
	Subtotal (Labor)	5.0			900.00
Expenses		Cost	Mult		Amount
Reproduction Shipping-Federal Express		0.10 69.61	93 1.00	****************	9.30 69.61
		Subtotal (Expens	ses)	-	78.91
		Invo	oice Total	\$	978.91

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Invoice Number 19184 November 22, 2016

Project 3531 Atmos PBR Federal ID# 52-1220514

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Professional Services performed from October 1 through Octobet 31, 2016

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Professional Services		<b>Hours</b>	Rate		<u>Amount</u>
Mierzwa, Jerome D.		7.0	180.00	\$	1,260.00
	Subtotal (Labor)	7.0			1,260.00
Expenses		Cost	Mult		<u>Amount</u>
Reproduction		0.10	9		0.90
		Subtotal (Expenses)			0.90
Invoice Total			\$	1,260.90	

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Invoice Number 19234 December 19, 2016

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Professional Services performed from November 1 through November 30, 2016

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Professional Services	•	Hours	Rate		Amount
Mierzwa, Jerome D.		2.5	180.00	\$	450.00
	Subtotal (Labor)	2.5		-	450.00
Expenses		Cost	Mult		Amount
Reproduction		0.10	11	-	1.10
	Subtotal (Expenses)			************	1.10
Invoice Total				\$	451.10