

# TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY



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VIA E-MAIL and U.S. MAIL

RE: *In re: Petition of Atmos Energy Corporation for Approval of 2016 Annual Reconciliation Filing ("ARM") Under T.C.A. § 65-5-103(d)(6), Docket No. 16-00105*

Dear Mr. Irvin:

To assist the Authority in its evaluation of the above-captioned *Petition* filed on September 1, 2016, it is requested that the Consumer Advocate provide a response to the following:

The approved annual rate review mechanism for Atmos allows the Company to adjust its rates annually in order to allow the Company to earn its authorized return on equity. Since this adjustment fully incorporates all revenue changes, please explain the Consumer Advocate's position as to why the WNA should continue rather than adjust all revenue changes in the ARM Reconciliation Filing? Discuss all benefits of continuing the WNA, especially in light of legislation and recent TRA dockets aimed at streamlining and simplifying regulation.

It is requested that all responses be provided no later than 2:00 p.m. November 22, 2016. In accordance with TRA rules, submit either (1) original and thirteen written copies of your response or (1) original and four written copies and an electronic version. Should you have any questions or need clarification regarding any requested item, please contact me at (615) 770-6884.

Sincerely,

David Foster, Chief  
Utilities Division

cc: Docket File