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Hon. Robin L. Morrison, Chairperson
c/o Sharla Dillon
Tennessee Public Utility Commission
502 Deaderick Street, 4th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

RE: *Atmos Energy Corporation Annual Reconciliation of Annual Review Mechanism*, TPUC Docket No. 19-00076.

Dear Chairperson Morrison:

In consideration of the existing COVID19 pandemic and the limitations regarding in-person contact, Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos Energy) and the Consumer Advocate Unit in the Financial Division of the Office of the Attorney General (Consumer Advocate) recently discussed the possibility of streamlining the hearing process for this Docket. As a result of this discussion, the Parties have jointly agreed that the Commission can resolve the remaining contested issue on the merits based upon the official record in TPUC Docket No. 19-00076. Therefore, the Parties hereby jointly request that the entire official record in this Docket be made a part of the evidentiary record.

The Parties are fully persuaded that the pre-filed testimony in this case is sufficient for the Commission to resolve the remaining contested issue on the merits without a live contested case. With the foregoing in mind, unless otherwise requested by the Commission, the Parties hereby waive both opening and closing statements, and cross-examination of witnesses by the Parties. Atmos Energy Witness, Jennifer K. Story, and the Consumer Advocate Witness, William H. Novak, will be available for questions by TPUC Commissioners or TPUC Staff at the Hearing.

As required by the Commission's *Amended Notice of Docket Filing Procedures*, one hard copy of this filing will be mailed to the Docket Manager. Should you have any questions concerning this filing, or additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

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