## Notice of Ex Parte Contact

TO:

Data Center

All Parties in Case No. GR-2006-0387

FROM:

Chairman Robert M. Clayton INTO

Commissioner Jeff Davis

Commissioner Terry Jarrett

Commissioner Kevin Gunn

Commissioner Robert Kenney

DATE:

October 13, 2009



On October 8, 2009, we received the attached e-mail from Mark A. Martin, an employee of Atmos Energy. The Commission is currently considering issues in Case No.GR-2006-0387 (In the Matter of Atmos Energy Corporation's Tariff Revision Designed to Consolidate Rates and Implement a General Rate Increase for Natural Gas Service in the Missouri Service Area of the Company), which is a contested case. The Commission is bound by its ex parte rule, and, we are therefore giving notice to the parties this communication has been received.

Although communications from members of the public and members of the legislature are always welcome, those communications must be made known to all parties to a contested case so that those parties have the opportunity to respond. According to the Commission's rules (4 CSR 240-4.020(8)), when a communication from any person interested in a case (either oral or written) occurs outside the hearing process, any member of the Commission or Regulatory Law Judge who received the communication shall prepare a written report concerning the communication and submit it to each member of the Commission and the parties to the case. The report shall identify the person(s) who participated in the *ex parte* communication, the circumstances which resulted in the communication, the substance of the communication, and the relationship of the communication to a particular matter at issue before the Commission.

Therefore, we submit this report pursuant to the rules cited above. This will ensure that any party to these cases will have notice of the attached information and a full and fair opportunity to respond to the comments contained therein.

cc:

Commissioners

**Executive Director** 

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

General Counsel

From: Martin, Mark A [mailto:Mark.Martin@atmosenergy.com]

Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2009 4:37 PM

To: Clayton, Robert; Davis, Jeff; Gunn, Kevin; Jarrett, Terry; Kenney, Robert

Subject: NARUC Tour of GTI - November 17

Gentlemen.

FYI, you may have already been contacted by GTI. If not, they will be hosting a tour of their facility during the annual conference in Chicago.

MM

**From**: Ron Snedic **To**: Mary Kos

Sent: Mon Oct 05 10:35:27 2009

**Subject:** NARUC Tour of GTI - November 17 Dear SIMRAC, OTD and UTD Board Members,

As you may be aware, the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Annual Convention is in Chicago November 15-19. I'm pleased to let you know that a tour of GTI is being offered as an optional excursion. This is a wonderful opportunity to highlight the important work the gas industry supports in technology development. During the tour, they'll have an opportunity to see examples of our work spanning supply, delivery and end use. I'm providing a link to the NARUC website and a link to the pdf highlighting the optional GTI tour.

## http://annual.narucmeetings.org/

## http://annual.narucmeetings.org/GTI%20Tour%20and%20RSVP%20Final%20111709.pdf

Please share this information with your regulatory folks and/or anyone you deem appropriate – we are hoping for a great turnout. As always, please give me a call or send a note if I can provide additional information.

Sincerely,

Ron Snedic VP Corporate Development GTI 847-768-0572 847-630-2912 (cell)

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