## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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. )

Case No. GR-2006-0387

## PUBLIC COUNSEL'S DESIGNATION OF EXPERT WITNESS

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC") and for its Designation of Expert Witness states:

1. On November 24, 2009, the Commission issued its Order Establishing Deadline to Identify Experts for the On-the-Record Proceeding. The Order directs parties to disclose the identity and biographical background of any experts the parties intend to tender during the on-the-record proceeding.

2. OPC hereby notifies the Commission that OPC intends to tender Ms. Barbara Meisenheimer during the on-the-record proceeding. Ms. Meisenheimer is a Chief Utility Economist with OPC. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics from the University of Missouri-Columbia and has completed the comprehensive exams for a Ph.D. in Economics from the same institution. Ms. Meisenheimer's two fields of study are Quantitative Economics and Industrial Organization. Ms. Meisenheimer's outside field of study is Statistics. She has been with the Office of the Public Counsel since January 1996. Ms. Meisenheimer has testified on economic issues and policy issues in the areas of telecommunications, gas, electric, water and sewer. Over the past 14 years Ms. Meisenheimer has also taught courses for the University of Missouri-Columbia, William Woods University, and Lincoln University. Ms. Meisenheimer currently teaches undergraduate and graduate level economics courses and undergraduate statistics for William Woods University.

WHEREFORE, Public Counsel respectfully offers this designation of Ms. Meisenheimer as the expert OPC will tender during the on-the-record proceeding.

## **Respectfully submitted,**

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been sent via email on this 9th day of December 2009.

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