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July 7, 2010
Caruthersville, Missouri
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In the matter of Atmos Energy)
Corporation's Tariff Revision Designed) File No.
To Implement A General Rate Increase) GR-2010-0192
For Natural Gas Service In The Missouri)
Service Area Of the Company)

HAROLD STEARLEY, Presiding
SENIOR REGULATORY LAW JUDGE
JEFF DAVIS,
COMMISSIONER

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

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3 JUDGE STEARLEY: We are on the record in
4 File Number GR-2010-0192. Today is Wednesday July
5 the 7th, and we are in Caruthersville, Missouri
6 having a listening post. We're allowing the public
7 to come in and make statements regarding the Atmos
8 rate case.

9 EXAMINATION

10 QUESTIONS BY JUDGE STEARLEY:

11 Q. And, sir, if you would, please state and
12 spell your name for our court reporter.

13 A. My name's Joe Robinson, J-O-E,
14 R-O-B-I-N-S-O-N. I live in Malden. Atmos supplies
15 us.

16 Q. All right. And are you a customer of
17 Atmos?

18 A. I said Atmos supplies us.

19 Q. Okay. Go ahead and give us your statement.

20 A. Oh, just a general statement that in these
21 time of economy and all people is getting down to
22 where they is survival time, you know. They can't
23 pay bills and all, and they're just existing. And I
24 know a few of them people and all, and I know also
25 that like our government they're taking money and

1 transferring wealth and all. And I know sometimes
2 Atmos and other companies does it too, which I'm not
3 against, but the ones who trying to make a living we
4 can't supply all the money for the other people, so
5 I'm -- all I'm saying is we all need to cut back,
6 Atmos Electric Company, all the companies, and
7 everybody else included. This includes myself and
8 save money and all, you know, work this out. That's
9 all I got to say.

10 JUDGE STEARLEY: All right. Very well.

11 Let me ask any of the attorneys wish to have a
12 question for this gentleman?

13 MR. DORITY: No thank you, Judge.

14 JUDGE STEARLEY: All right. Well, sir, I
15 want to thank you for your statement. This is going
16 to be made part of the official record of this case.
17 This will be made part of the official record of this
18 case, and the commissioners will be reviewing all the
19 statements made from the public prior to making any
20 decision. Thank you very much. We appreciate it.

21 A. Appreciate you all. Thank you very much.

22 JUDGE STEARLEY: Since we have gone on the
23 record momentarily, let me go ahead and formally make
24 a statement regarding the scheduled hearing. The
25 formal hearing process really didn't occur at the

1 scheduled time at noon today because we didn't have
2 anyone show up at that time so we went ahead and
3 converted this to a two-hour listening post. So
4 we're taking statements from the public as they walk
5 in. I didn't want to keep this gentleman waiting for
6 any type of formal announcement so we went ahead and
7 took his statement, but since we are on the record
8 now, I would like to go ahead and get entries of
9 appearance from counsel starting with the company
10 with Atmos Energy Corporation.

11 MR. DORITY: Thank you, Judge. Please let
12 the record reflect on behalf of Atmos Energy
13 Corporation my name's Larry W. Dority with the firm
14 Fischer and Dority. Our address is 101 Madison,
15 Suite 400, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101. Thank
16 you.

17 JUDGE STEARLEY: Thank you, Mr. Dority.
18 For the Office of the Public Counsel.

19 MR. POSTON: Thank you. Marc Poston for
20 the Office of the Public Counsel and the public.

21 JUDGE STEARLEY: Thank you, Mr. Poston, and
22 for the staff of the Missouri Public Service
23 Commission.

24 MR. DEARMONT: Thank you, Judge. Eric
25 Dearmont on behalf of the staff, PO Box 360,

1 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

2 JUDGE STEARLEY: Thank you, Mr. Dearmont.
3 What we will do is we will go back off the record,
4 and we plan on staying here today until approximately
5 two in the afternoon. Anyone who walks in we'll go
6 ahead and take a statement from them at that time. I
7 appreciate you all being here in attendance. I note
8 for the record that none of the interveners are
9 represented by counsel here today, and with that,
10 we'll go ahead and go back off the record. If anyone
11 else comes in, we'll go back on. At 2 o'clock if
12 nobody's here, we'll go back on the record just to
13 formally adjourn for today. Thank you.

14 (Break was taken.)

15 JUDGE STEARLEY: We are back on the record
16 in our listening post for File Number GR-2010-0192.
17 It is approximately 2 o'clock in the afternoon.
18 We've had no other people show up today to offer any
19 comments or testimony, so we're going to adjourn this
20 listening post. We will be picking up with another
21 local public hearing tonight in Hayti. I did want to
22 point out that earlier when we went on the record to
23 take the testimony of Mr. Richardson [sic], I
24 believe, Richards or Richardson [sic], Commissioner
25 Davis wasn't with us at that time because he was

1 participating by phone in the Public Service
2 Commission's agenda meeting, but he did arrive for
3 the hearing and listening post here shortly after
4 they concluded with the agenda. And he's been
5 present for any witnesses if they made themselves
6 available, so just wanted to note that for the
7 record. And the listening post public hearing is
8 hereby adjourned. Thank you all very much.

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