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Mr. Brandon Frey  
Executive Secretary  
Louisiana Public Service Commission  
Galvez Building  
602 North Fifth Street, 12th Floor  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

Re: Atmos Energy Corporation for Approval of the Proposed Abandonment of a Portion of its Natural Gas Facilities in DeSoto Parish Pursuant to General Order R-30301.

Dear Mr. Frey,

Please find enclosed for filing the original and two (2) copies of Atmos Energy's Louisiana Proposed Abandonment of a Portion of its Natural Gas Facilities in DeSoto Parish.

Atmos Energy requests that this matter be published in the LPSC's upcoming Official Bulletin with a fifteen (15) day intervention period.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Brian Francis  
Vice President Rates & Regulatory Affairs  
Atmos Energy Corporation Louisiana Division

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ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION )  
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ex parte )

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**APPLICATION OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION**  
**FOR APPROVAL OF PROPOSED ABANDONMENT**

Atmos Energy Corporation (“Atmos Energy” or the “Company”) submits this Application for Approval of the Proposed Abandonment of a Portion of its Natural Gas Facilities in DeSoto Parish pursuant to Louisiana Public Service Commission (“Commission”) General Order R-30301, dated July 9, 2008 (the “General Order”), and in support thereof would respectfully show the following:

**Introduction**

I.

Atmos Energy is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas and the Commonwealth of Virginia with its principal place of business located at Three Lincoln Center, Suite 1800, 5430 LBJ Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75240. Atmos Energy, through its Louisiana regulatory division, provides natural gas utility service in the State of Louisiana to approximately 363,000 customers in forty-nine parishes, including DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.

## Compliance with General Order

### II.

Atmos Energy proposes to abandon natural gas distribution facilities and associated natural gas services for two (2) affected customers located along Rogers Road in DeSoto Parish, Louisiana (“Rogers Road Facilities”) on or about March 31, 2026. The Rogers Road Facilities consist of approximately 6,000 feet of one-inch diameter steel gas main that originates from EnLink’s Holly Pipeline system and extends parallel to Rogers Road. The abandonment of the Rogers Road Facilities is necessary due to EnLink’s expected abandonment of a portion of the Holly Pipeline system; this portion of EnLink’s Holly Pipeline system is the only source of supply for the Rogers Road Facilities. No feasible economic option exists to continue natural gas service to the two affected customers absent specific Commission direction to incur the costs to continue such service and authorization to recover such costs in a timely manner. The Company has mailed notices, via certified mail, to the two affected customers to their current billing address. In accordance with Paragraph B.1 of the General Order, copies of the Customer Notices are attached *in globo* as **Exhibit 1**.

### III.

In accordance with Paragraph B.2 of the General Order, Atmos Energy Corporation provides the following information:

- a) The natural gas facilities proposed to be abandoned include approximately 6,000 feet of one-inch diameter steel gas main that originates from EnLink’s Holly Pipeline and extends parallel to Rogers Road.

Please see **Exhibit 2**, which is a map of the distribution line.

- b) Currently, there are two residential customers whose service would be discontinued as a result of the proposed abandonment.
- c) The date of the proposed abandonment is projected to be on or about March 31, 2026. Both affected customers have elected to participate in the conversion from natural gas to propane at the sole cost of Atmos Energy. See **Exhibit 1**. Before abandonment, the Company will contact each customer directly and complete the conversion.

#### IV.

In accordance with Paragraph B.3 of the General Order, Atmos Energy attaches to this Application affidavits from the official journal of DeSoto Parish, Louisiana and the official state journal (The Advocate) as **Exhibit 3**, such affidavits proving publication of notice in each of those journals.

#### V.

In response to Paragraph B.4 of the General Order, should the Company be required to continue to operate and maintain the Rogers Road Facilities, the expected annual revenue from all affected customers would be approximately \$2,116.

#### VI.

As stated above, the abandonment of the Rogers Road Facilities is necessary due to EnLink's expected abandonment of the portion of the Holly Pipeline system. This portion of EnLink's Holly Pipeline system is the only source of supply for the Rogers Road Facilities. No feasible economic option exists to continue natural gas service to the two affected customers absent specific Commission direction to incur the costs to continue such service and authorization to

recover such costs in a timely manner. If Atmos Energy were required to provide an alternative source of natural gas to continue service to these two customers, the Company would have to install approximately 26,400' of main, composed of 16,400' 4" HPDE, and 10,000' of 2" HDPE main to tie into the Company's closest distribution system. See Exhibit 2. At a minimum, the expected capital investment required to continue supplying the Rogers Road Facilities would be approximately \$2,112,000. This estimate does not include any additional costs to acquire the necessary rights-of-way.

#### VII.

Alternatively, the cost of abandoning the Rogers Road Facilities, including the cost of converting the affected customers to an alternative energy supply, would be approximately \$61,532, which will be at the sole cost of Atmos Energy.

#### VIII.

In accordance with Paragraph B.5 of the General Order, Atmos Energy advises that the Rogers Road Facilities consists of approximately 6,000 feet of 1 inch bare steel piping and 2 steel service lines installed circa 1950. Since then, these facilities have been used to deliver low-pressure natural gas to residential customers. Absent abandonment, Atmos Energy does not anticipate additional residential customers will locate in the vicinity of the Rogers Road Facilities.

#### IX.

In accordance with Paragraph B.6 of the General Order, Atmos Energy advises that no other utilities will be affected by the proposed abandonment.

#### X.

In response to Paragraph B.7 of the General Order, Atmos Energy asserts that the continued maintenance and preservation of the subject natural gas facility is not practical or economically feasible, as discussed above. During the last five (5) years, Atmos Energy has operated and

maintained the Rogers Road Facilities according to all relevant and applicable state and federal regulations.

XI.

In response to Paragraph B.8 of the General Order, the Company will convert the two affected customers to propane as an alternative to continued natural gas service. In that regard, prior to the abandonment, Atmos Energy will convert each affected customer at the sole expense of the Company to assist in enabling the customer to acquire the alternate energy source.

XII.

In response to Paragraph B.9 of the General Order, Atmos Energy has determined that there will be no environmental impact as a result of the proposed abandonment. The Rogers Road Facilities will be abandoned in place, and the Company has operated and maintained the pipeline according to all relevant and applicable state and federal regulations.

XIII.

In response to Paragraph B.10 of the General Order, Atmos Energy has not previously filed any request to abandon this portion of its natural gas distribution facilities; however, Atmos Energy Corporation has filed four previous requests to abandon a portion of its natural gas distribution facilities, namely:

1. Atmos Energy Corporation, ex parte, Docket No. S-31973, In re: Petition of Atmos Energy Corporation requesting approval to abandon its natural gas distribution facilities and services to and on Isle de Jean Charles, Terrebonne *Parish, Louisiana*. Approved by Order No. S-31973 dated August 22, 2011;

2. Atmos Energy Corporation, ex parte, Docket No. S-32515, *In re: Petition of Atmos Energy Corporation for interim authority to disconnect customers and request for approval to permanently abandon its natural gas distribution facilities and services to customers in the Bayou Corne Area, Assumption Parish, Louisiana.* Approved by Order No. S-32515 dated April 25, 2013;
3. Atmos Energy Corporation, ex parte, Docket No. S-33195, *In re: Petition of Atmos Energy Corporation requesting approval to abandon its natural gas distribution facilities and services to certain customers located in Webster and Lincoln Parishes, Louisiana.* Approved by Order No. S-33195 dated May 16, 2014; and
4. Atmos Energy Corporation, ex parte, Docket No. S-33475, *In re: Petition of Atmos Energy Corporation requesting approval to disconnect two customers and permanently abandon its natural gas distribution facilities and services to the two customers in Cheneyville, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.* Approved by Order No. S-33475 dated April 20, 2015.

XIV.

In accordance with Paragraph B.11 of the General Order, an affidavit of Brian Francis, Vice President, Rates and Regulatory Affairs is attached hereto as **Exhibit 4**.

XV.

Atmos Energy requests that notices, correspondence, and other communications concerning this Application be directed to the following persons:

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**Conclusion**

XVI.

**WHEREFORE**, Atmos Energy hereby respectfully requests that, based upon its compliance with the provisions of General Order R-30301, along with all the facts presented herein, the Commission deem this abandonment to be in the public interest and grant the relief as requested herein and all other relief to which Atmos Energy may be entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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