

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
OVERSIGHT AND SAFETY DIVISION**

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## SECTION 1

NEW APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS FILED

**DOCKET NO.** -- 10539  
**CAPTION** -- Appeal of Texas Gas Service Company, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc. from the Actions of the Cities of Anthony, Clint, Dell City, et al.  
**DATE FILED** -- 08/05/2016  
**FILED BY** -- Kate Norman  
**EXAMINER** -- John B. Dodson  
**TECHNICAL** -- Rose Ruiz

**DOCKET NO.** -- 10540  
**CAPTION** -- Application filed by Atmos Pipeline – Texas 2016 Rider Rev Adjustment.  
**DATE FILED** -- 08/15/2016  
**FILED BY** -- Charles R. Yarbrough  
**EXAMINER** --  
**TECHNICAL** -- Sarah Montoya-Foglesong

**DOCKET NO.** -- 10541  
**CAPTION** -- Application filed by Atmos Energy, West Texas Division to Abandon Natural Gas Service and Facilities to One Residential Customer in the Unincorporated Area of Terry County, Texas.  
**DATE FILED** -- 08/15/2016  
**FILED BY** -- Becky J. Palmer  
**EXAMINER** --  
**TECHNICAL** -- Erin J. Cromleigh

**DOCKET NO.** -- 10542  
**CAPTION** -- Inquiry into The Failure of VDS Dallas, LLC to Comply with Safety Standards.  
**DATE FILED** -- 08/15/2016  
**FILED BY** -- Commission’s Own Motion  
**EXAMINER** --  
**TECHNICAL** --

**DOCKET NO.** -- 10543  
**CAPTION** -- Inquiry into The Failure of The City of Cushing to Comply with Safety Standards.  
**DATE FILED** -- 08/15/2016  
**FILED BY** -- Commission’s Own Motion  
**EXAMINER** --  
**TECHNICAL** --

**DOCKET NO.** -- 10544  
**CAPTION** -- Inquiry into The Failure of KM Liquids Terminals LLC to Comply with Safety Standards.  
**DATE FILED** -- 08/15/2016  
**FILED BY** -- Commission’s Own Motion  
**EXAMINER** --  
**TECHNICAL** --

**DOCKET NO.** -- 10545  
**CAPTION** -- Inquiry into The Failure of Oneok Westex Transmission, L.L.C. to Comply with Safety Standards.  
**DATE FILED** -- 08/15/2016  
**FILED BY** -- Commission’s Own Motion  
**EXAMINER** --  
**TECHNICAL** --

**SECTION 2**

**APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS SET FOR HEARING OR PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

[Office of General Counsel Weekly Hearing Schedules for 2016](#)

**SECTION 3**

**STATUS OF PENDING CASES**

None at this time.

**SECTION 4**

**NOTICES OF DISMISSAL**

None at this time.

**SECTION 5**

**ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION**

[GUD 10498: Statement of Intent filed by NatGas, Inc. to Increase Rates in and around the Unincorporated Community of Ozona, Texas. \(Final Order and Settlement Agreement\)](#)

[GUD 10526: Statement of Intent of Texas Gas Service Company to Increase Rates in the Unincorporated Areas of the Central Texas Service Area and South Texas Service Area. \(Suspension Order\)](#)

**SECTION 6**  
**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Kari French, OVERSIGHT AND SAFETY DIRECTOR**

**1. OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR**

**A. Publications**

1. Texas Utilities Code Titles 3 and 4. Now available at the State of Texas' website at:

<http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us>

Special Rules of Practice and Procedure and Substantive Rules. Now available thru the Commission's Website at:

[http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7](http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7)

2. Annual Report for Fiscal Year – Now available via the Commission's website at:

<http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/gas-utility-statistical-reports/>

3. Six MCF Monthly Residential Gas Bill Analysis for Twenty-five Texas Cities - Now available via the Commission's website at:

<http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/six-mcf-report/>

**B. Interest Rate on Customer Deposits**

We have been advised by the Public Utility Commission that the interest rate to be applied to customer deposits in calendar year 2016 is 0.11%. All gas utilities should use 0.07% for the calendar year 2015 and 0.09% for calendar year 2014.

**2. UTILITY AUDIT SECTION**

**A. Maintains headquarters and three district offices as follows:**

Headquarters - William B. Travis Building

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**B. Gas Utility Tax, Annual Reports and Audit Reports**

1. Questions relating to gas utility tax, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.
2. Questions relating to annual reports, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.
3. Inquiries relating to audit reports, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.

**C. Available Information**

Gas Utility Annual Reports - Now available via Commission's website at:

[https://rrcsearch3.neubus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?\\_module=\\_esd&\\_action=\\_keysearch&profile=13](https://rrcsearch3.neubus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?_module=_esd&_action=_keysearch&profile=13)

Information relating to any of the above, are available for review at the William B. Travis Building, Gas Services Division, 9th Floor, 1701 North Congress. All requests for copies must be made in writing and should be addressed to the Audit Section. Copies will be provided for a fee, depending on the volume of copy work desired, allow a minimum of seven to ten business days for completion of requests. Inquiries regarding copies should be directed to the Audit Section at (512) 463-7022, or Fax your request to (512) 475-3180.

**3. MARKET OVERSIGHT**

**A. Maintains the following office to assist you:**

Headquarters - William B. Travis Building  
1701 North Congress, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711  
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**B. Gas Utilities Information Bulletin**

Published on the Commission's web site at:

<http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/gas-utilities-information-bulletins/>

**C. Proposals For Decision**

Published on the Commission's web site at:

<http://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/dockets/gas-utility-dockets/>

**D. Tariff Filings**

Questions pertaining to the filing of tariffs and/or quality of service rules should be directed to Claudia Godoy, Yolanda Lovelace, Andrea Matamoros, or Virgie Frausto at (512) 463-7167.

**E. Curtailments**

Curtailment questions should be referred to (512) 463-7167. Curtailment reports made Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., should be made to (512) 463-7167. Curtailment reports made during hours other than those specified above and holidays, should be made to (512) 463-6788.

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- F. Compliance Filings**  
Questions regarding gas utilities docket compliance filing requirements should be referred to Erin Cromleigh at (512) 463-7167.
- G. Complaints and Inquiries**  
All complaints and inquiries relating to the gas utility industry should be directed to the Market Oversight Section at (512) 463-7164.
- H. Pending RRC Rules and Regulations:**

**4. HEARINGS AND LEGAL ANALYSIS**

- A. Miscellaneous**  
Anyone wishing to obtain copies of appendices to Orders appearing in Section 5 of this Bulletin should contact the Legal Division at (512) 463-7017.
- B. Status of Pending Cases**  
The status of all pending cases listed in Section 3 of this Bulletin is for informational purposes only and is complete up to the time of printing of this Bulletin. For a more accurate status of pending cases, please call the Legal Division at (512) 463-7017.