

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
GAS SERVICES DIVISION**

**GAS UTILITIES  
INFORMATION BULLETIN**

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**SECTION 1**  
**NEW APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS FILED**

**DOCKET NO.** -- 10170  
**CAPTION** -- Statement of Intent filed by Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division to Increase Gas Utility Rates in the Unincorporated Areas of its Mid-Tex Division.  
**DATE FILED** -- 05/31/2012  
**FILED BY** -- David J. Park  
**EXAMINER** -- Cecile Hanna  
**TECHNICAL** -- Rose Ruiz

**DOCKET NO.** -- 10171  
**CAPTION** -- Petition for De Novo Review of the Denial of the Statement of Intent filed by Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division by the Cities of Abilene, Alba, Albany, et al.  
**DATE FILED** -- 05/31/2012  
**FILED BY** -- David J. Park  
**EXAMINER** -- Cecile Hanna  
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**SECTION 2**

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

Office of General Counsel Weekly Hearing Schedules for 2012

**SECTION 3**

**STATUS OF PENDING CASES**

**GUD No. 10094 (Proposal for Decision)**

Statement of Intent filed by Texas Gas Service Company to Change to Rates Within the Environs of the North Texas Service Area.

**GUD No. 10112 (Proposal for Decision)**

Statement of Intent filed by Bluebonnet Natural Gas LLC to Collect a System Replenishment Fee in Hardin, Jefferson, Liberty, Nacogdoches, Rusk and Tyler Counties, Texas.

**GUD No. 10102 (Proposal for Decision)**

Rate Case Expense Issues Severed from GUD No. 10083.

**SECTION 4**

**NOTICES OF DISMISSAL**

None at this time.

**SECTION 5**

**ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION**

None at this time.

**SECTION 6**  
**MISCELLANEOUS**

**WILLIAM O. GEISE, GAS SERVICES DIVISION 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://info.sos.state.tx.us/pls/pub/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7](http://info.sos.state.tx.us/pls/pub/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7)

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

<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/data/gasservices/annualrpt/index.php>

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

<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/data/gasservices/sixmcf/index.php>

**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 2012 is 0.12%. All gas utilities should use 0.19% for the calendar year 2011 and .034% for calendar year 2010.

**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**

Copies of gas utility annual reports (2000 to present), as well as information relating to any of the above, A through C, 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  
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**B. Gas Utilities Information Bulletin**

Published on the Commission's web site at:

<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/forms/newsletters/gasutilitybulletins/index.php>

**C. Proposals For Decision**

Published on the Commission's web site at: <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/meetings/dockets/index.php>

**D. Tariff Filings**

Questions pertaining to the filing of tariffs and/or quality of service rules should be directed to Kathy Arroyo, Claudia Godoy, Yolanda Lovelace, or Ranissa Stewart 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.

**F. Compliance Filings**

Questions regarding gas utilities docket compliance filing requirements should be referred to Gary Torrent 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.