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

**DOCKET NO.:** 10781  
**CAPTION** Application of Texas Gas Service Company for Test Year 2017 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment for the Unincorporated Areas of the Gulf Coast Service Area  
**DATE FILED --** 10/22/2018  
**FILED BY --** Stephanie G. Houle  
**EXAMINER --** Kari French  
**TECHNICAL --** Sarah Montoya-Foglesong

**DOCKET NO.:** 10782  
**CAPTION** Inquiry into The Failure of the Harvest Pipeline Company to Comply with Safety Standards.  
**DATE FILED --** 10/23/2018  
**FILED BY --** Commission's Own Motion  
**EXAMINER --**  
**TECHNICAL --**

**DOCKET NO.:** 10783  
**CAPTION** Application filed by Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division for Approval of Abandonment to One Residential Customer in Haskell County, Texas.  
**DATE FILED --** 10/25/2018  
**FILED BY --** Kodey Jolly  
**EXAMINER --** Sarah Montoya-Foglesong  
**TECHNICAL --**

**DOCKET NO.:** 10784  
**CAPTION** Application of Texas Gas Service Company for Test Year 2017 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment for the Unincorporated Areas of the Rio Grande Valley Service Area  
**DATE FILED --** 10/25/2018  
**FILED BY --** Stephanie G. Houle  
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**TECHNICAL --**

**SECTION 2: APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS SET FOR HEARING OR PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

[Office of General Counsel Weekly Hearing Schedules for 2018](#)

**SECTION 3: STATUS OF PENDING CASES**

None currently.

## **SECTION 4: NOTICES OF DISMISSAL**

None currently.

## **SECTION 5: ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION**

**GUD No. 10734:** Application of Hughes Natural Gas, Inc. for Test Year 2017 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment for the Environs Area. ([Interim Rate Adjustment Order and Exhibits 10/30/2018](#))

**GUD No. 10738:** Statement of Intent filed by T & L Gas Co. to Increase Rates in the Environs of the City of Conroe in Montgomery County, Texas ([Final Order with Attachments 10/30/2018](#))

**GUD No. 10764:** Application filed by Atmos Pipeline - Texas 2018 Rider Rev Adjustment. ([Final Order 10/16/2018](#))

## **SECTION 6: MISCELLANEOUS**

### **A. Gas Services Department Publications and Statistics**

1. Gas Utilities Information Bulletins available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-services/publications-statistics/gas-utilities-information-bulletins/>.
2. Rate Review Handbook available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/media/41964/rate-review-handbook-2017.pdf>.
3. Gas Utilities Annual Statistics available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-services/publications-statistics/2017-gas-utility-annual-statistical-reports/>.
4. Gas Storage Statistics available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-services/publications-statistics/gas-storage-statistics/>.
5. Six MCF Residential Gas Bill Analysis for Texas Cities available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-services/publications-statistics/six-mcf-report/>.

### **B. Interest Rate on Customer Deposits**

1. We have been advised by the Public Utility Commission of Texas that the interest rate to be applied to customer deposits in calendar year 2018 is 0.91%. All gas utilities should use 0.42% for the calendar year 2017 and 0.11% for calendar year 2016. This information can be found at: <https://www.puc.texas.gov/industry/electric/reports/HRates/HistRates.pdf>

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#### **D. Audit Forms**

1. Gas Utility Tax and Annual Forms available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-services/forms/>.
2. Copies of Gas Utility Annual Reports available on Neibus at: [https://rrcsearch3.neibus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?\\_module=esd&\\_action=keysearch&profile=13](https://rrcsearch3.neibus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?_module=esd&_action=keysearch&profile=13).
3. Information relating to any of the above, are available for review at the William B. Travis Building, Gas Services Department, 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 ten business days for completion of requests.
4. Inquiries regarding copies should be directed to the Audit Section at (512) 463-7022 or fax your request to (512) 475-3180.

#### **E. Market Oversight Section Forms**

1. Annual Earnings and Monitoring Report available at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/media/6085/annualearningsmonitoringreport.pdf>
2. Interim Cost Recovery and Rate Adjustment Report available at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/media/6084/newinfrastructure.pdf>.

#### **F. Gas Utility Docket Information**

1. Orders and Proposals for Decision published on the Commission's web site at: <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/dockets/gas-utility-dockets/>
2. Gas Utility Dockets available on Neibus at [https://rrcsearch3.neibus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?\\_module=esd&\\_action=keysearch&profile=14](https://rrcsearch3.neibus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?_module=esd&_action=keysearch&profile=14).

#### **G. Natural Gas Tariff Filings**

1. Questions pertaining to the filing of tariffs and/or quality of service rules should be directed to Andrea Matamoros, Virgie Frausto, or Sheila Mendoza at (512) 463-7167.
2. Natural Gas Tariffs and Rate Schedules available at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/natural-gas-tariffs-and-rate-schedules/>.

#### **H. Common Carrier Pipeline Tariff Filings**

1. Questions pertaining to the filing of common carrier pipeline tariffs should be directed to Virgie Frausto at (512) 463-7121.
2. Common Carrier Pipeline Tariffs available at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/common-carrier-pipeline-tariffs/>.

#### **I. Propane Distribution Systems**

1. Propane distribution price cap information is available at: <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/propane-distribution-systems/>.

#### **J. Curtailment Plan (Gas Utility Docket 489)**

1. Curtailment questions should be referred to (512) 463-7167 or by email at [naturalgascurtailment@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:naturalgascurtailment@rrc.texas.gov).
2. Curtailment reports made during normal business hours, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., should be made to (512) 463-7167.
3. Curtailment reports made after hours or during holidays, should be made to (512) 463-6788.

#### **K. Compliance Filings**

1. Questions regarding gas utilities docket compliance filing requirements should be referred to Christina Poole at (512) 463-7167 or by email at [GUD\\_Compliance@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:GUD_Compliance@rrc.texas.gov).

**L. Complaints and Inquiries**

1. Residential and Commercial Propane and Natural Gas Complaints should be made at [GasComplaints@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:GasComplaints@rrc.texas.gov) or by phone at (512) 463-7167.
2. Informal Gas Purchasing, Selling, Transportation or Gathering Practice Complaints should be submitted online at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/complaint-filing/informal-gas-transportation-purchase-complaint-preliminary-information-online-form/> or at (512) 463-7167.
3. Informal Complaint Preliminary Information form available at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/media/5671/informal-complaint-preliminary-information.pdf>.

**M. Non-Submetered Master Meter Disconnections**

1. Municipalities wishing to opt in receiving notice from utilities when non-submetered master metered multifamily property is subject to disconnection of service due to non-payment can do so at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/non-submetered-master-meter-disconnections/>.

**N. Texas Utilities Codes**

1. Available through the State of Texas website at <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us>.

**O. Texas Administrative Codes**

1. Available at the State of Texas 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).

**P. Pending RRC Rules and Regulations**

1. Pending rules and regulations available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/general-counsel/rules/>.

**Q. Proposed Form Amendments (PFD):**

1. PFDs available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/about-us/resource-center/forms/proposed-form-changes/>.

**R. Hearings and Legal Analysis**

1. Anyone wishing to obtain copies of appendices to Orders appearing in Section 5 of this Bulletin should contact the General Counsel Division at (512) 463-7149.

**S. Status of Pending Cases**

1. 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 General Counsel Division at (512) 463-7149.