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SECTION 1: NEW APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS FILED

DOCKET NO.: 10765

CAPTION CenterPoint Energy's Notice of Intent to Reduce Base Rates Established in GUD

No. 9345 for the Environs of the Cities of Nash, Redwater, Texarkana and Wake Village, Texas Pursuant to Section 104.111 of the Gas Utility Regulatory Act.

DATE FILED -- 08/24/2018 **FILED BY** -- Perrin Wall **EXAMINER** -- Frank Tomicek

TECHNICAL --

DOCKET NO.: 10766

CAPTION Statement of Intent of Texas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc. (TGS), to

Change Gas Utility Rates Within the Borger-Skellytown Service Area (BSSA)

DATE FILED -- 08/30/2018 **FILED BY** -- Kate Norman **EXAMINER** -- John Dodson **TECHNICAL** -- James Currier

DOCKET NO.: 10767

CAPTION Application of Universal Natural Gas, Inc. Pursuant to Accounting Order GUD

No. 10695 Relating to Base Rates Established under GUD 9797 for the Unincorporated Service Area of Montgomery, Walker, Madison and Houston

Counties, Texas.

DATE FILED -- 08/31/2018

FILED BY -- Robert Sim Barnwell **EXAMINER** -- Claudia Godoy

TECHNICAL --

DOCKET NO.: 10768

CAPTION Application of Gas Energy, LLC. Pursuant to Accounting Order GUD No. 10695

Relating to Initial Base Rates for the Unincorporated Service Area of Montgomery

and Harris Counties, Texas.

DATE FILED -- 08/31/2018

FILED BY -- Robert Sim Barnwell **EXAMINER** -- Claudia Godoy

TECHNICAL --

DOCKET NO.: 10769

CAPTION Application of Consumers Gas Company, Inc. Pursuant to Accounting Order GUD

No. 10695 Relating to Initial Base Rates for the Unincorporated Service Area of

Montgomery, Waller, and Grimes Counties, Texas.

DATE FILED -- 08/31/2018

FILED BY -- Robert Sim Barnwell EXAMINER -- Claudia Godoy

TECHNICAL --

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CAPTION Application of EnerTex NB, LLC. Pursuant to Accounting Order GUD No. 10695

Relating to Initial Base Rates for the Unincorporated Service Area.

DATE FILED -- 08/31/2018

FILED BY -- Robert Sim Barnwell EXAMINER -- Claudia Godoy

TECHNICAL --

DOCKET NO.: 10771

CAPTION Atmos Energy Corp., West Texas Division's Notice of Intent to Refund Amounts

Consistent with the Accounting Order Issued in GUD No. 10695

DATE FILED -- 08/31/2018

FILED BY -- Philip R. Littlejohn

EXAMINER -- Amy Bruce

TECHNICAL --

DOCKET NO.: 10772

CAPTION Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division's Notice of Intent to Refund Amounts

Consistent with the Accounting Order Issued in GUD No. 10695.

DATE FILED -- 08/31/2018

FILED BY -- Christopher Felan EXAMINER -- Christina Poole

TECHNICAL --

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

Office of General Counsel Weekly Hearing Schedules for 2018

None currently.

SECTION 3: STATUS OF PENDING CASES

None currently.

SECTION 4: NOTICES OF DISMISSAL

None currently.

SECTION 5: ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION

- 1. **GUD No. 10604** Rate Case Expenses Severed from GUD 10580, Statement of Intent to Change the Rates of City Gate Service (CGS) and Rate Pipeline Transportation (PT) Rates of Atmos Pipeline Texas
 - a. Proposal for Decision with Attachments (08/07/2018)
 - b. Final Order with Attachment (08/21/2018)
- 2. **GUD No. 10690** Application of Targa Gas Pipeline LLC Pursuant to NGPA § 311 for Review of the Reasonableness of Transportation Rate.
 - a. Final Order (08/21/2018)

- 3. **GUD No. 10760** Petition for review of municipal rate action of the City of Houston regarding CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas' 2017 Interim Rate Adjustment.
 - a. Final Order and Exhibits (08/21/2018)
- **4. 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
 - a. Suspension Order (08/21/2018)
- **5. GUD No. 10739** Statement of Intent of Texas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc. (TGS), to Increase Gas Utility Rates in the North Texas Service Area (NTSA)
 - a. Suspension Order (08/21/2018)
- **6. GUD No. 10742** Statement of Intent Filed by Atmos Energy Corp. (Atmos) to Change Gas Utility Rates Within the Unincorporated Areas of its Mid-Tex Division
 - a. Suspension Order (08/21/2018)
- **7. GUD No. 10743** Statement of Intent Filed by Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos) to Change Gas Utility Rates Within the Unincorporated Areas of its West Texas Division
 - a. Suspension Order (08/21/2018)

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

C. Contact Information

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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/.
- Copies of Gas Utility Annual Reports available on Neubus at: https://rrcsearch3.neubus.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 Neubus at https://rrcsearch3.neubus.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.
- 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.

L. Complaints and Inquiries

- 1. Residential and Commercial Propane and Natural Gas Complaints should be made at 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

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.

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.