

## GAS UTILITIES INFORMATION BULLETIN

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## SECTION 1: NEW APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS FILED

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DOCKET NO.: CAPTION DATE FILED FILED BY EXAMINER TECHNICAL	<b>10913</b> Application of West Texas Gas, Inc. for Test Year 2018 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment for the Unincorporated Areas of Texas. 11/01/2019 Daniel R. Renner Kari French Amy Bruce
DOCKET NO.: CAPTION DATE FILED FILED BY EXAMINER TECHNICAL	<b>10914</b> Application filed by Centerpoint Energy Entex to show the City of Carthage and Corrigan, Texas Surrendered Municipal Jurisdiction to the Railroad Commission of Texas. 11/06/2019 Keith Wall Amy Bruce
DOCKET NO.: CAPTION DATE FILED FILED BY EXAMINER TECHNICAL	10915 Petition for Review of Municipal Rate Decision and Motion to Consolidate into GUD No. 19000 11/07/2019 Ann M. Coffin John Dodson Rose Ruiz
DOCKET NO.: CAPTION DATE FILED FILED BY EXAMINER TECHNICAL	<b>10916</b> Application filed by Atmos Pipeline - Texas for Approval of Abandonment to Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division Related to Service and Facilities to 16 Residential Customers and 3 Commercial Customers in Houston County, Texas. 11/08/2019 Kodey Jolly Christina Poole
DOCKET NO.: CAPTION DATE FILED FILED BY EXAMINER TECHNICAL	<b>10917</b> Application filed by Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division for Approval of Abandonment to 16 Residential Customers and 3 Commercial Customers in Houston County, Texas. 11/08/2019 Kodey Jolly Christina Poole

DOCKET NO.: CAPTION DATE FILED FILED BY EXAMINER TECHNICAL	<b>10918</b> Formal Complaint of DCP Guadalupe Pipeline, LLC against Atmos Energy Corporation. 11/12/2019 Jay B. Stewart James Currier Dee Marlo Chico
DOCKET NO.:	10919
CAPTION	Centerpoint Energy's Notice of Intent to Reflect a Refund for the Environs of the South Texas Division and Cities that have Ceded Jurisdiction to the Railroad Commission of Texas Pursuant to Section 104.111 of the Gas Utility Regulatory Act.
DATE FILED	11/14/2019
FILED BY	Keith Wall
EXAMINER TECHNICAL	Christina Poole
DOCKET NO.: CAPTION	<b>10920</b> Statement of Intent filed by CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a
CALITON	CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas, to Increase Rates in the Beaumont/East Texas Division
DATE FILED	11/14/2019
FILED BY	Keith Wall
EXAMINER	Dee Marlo Chico
TECHNICAL	Rose Ruiz

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## 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

None currently.

#### **SECTION 6: MISCELLANEOUS**

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

- 1. Gas Utilities Information Bulletins available at <u>http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-</u> services/publications-statistics/gas-utilities-information-bulletins/.
- 2. Rate Review Handbook available at <u>http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/media/41964/rate-review-handbook-2017.pdf</u>.
- 3. Gas Utilities Annual Statistics available at <u>http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-</u> services/publications-statistics/2017-gas-utility-annual-statistical-reports/.
- 4. Gas Storage Statistics available at <u>http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-services/publications-statistics/gas-storage-statistics/</u>.
- 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: <a href="https://www.puc.texas.gov/industry/electric/reports/HRates/HistRates.pdf">https://www.puc.texas.gov/industry/electric/reports/HRates/HistRates.pdf</a>

## 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/.
- 2. Copies of Gas Utility Annual Reports available on Neubus at: <u>https://rrcsearch3.neubus.com/esd3-</u>

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

#### F. Gas Utility Docket Information

- 1. Orders and Proposals for Decision published on the Commission's web site at: <u>http://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/dockets/gas-utility-dockets/</u>
- 2. Gas Utility Dockets available on Neubus at <u>https://rrcsearch3.neubus.com/esd3-</u> 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 Maxwell, Janet Sims, Sheila Mendoza or Virgie Frausto at (512) 463-7167.
- 2. Natural Gas Tariffs and Rate Schedules available at <u>http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-</u> 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 Sheila Mendoza at 512-463-7023.
- 2. Common Carrier Pipeline Tariffs available at <u>http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-</u> services/common-carrier-pipeline-tariffs/.

## I. Propane Distribution Systems

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

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

- 1. Curtailment questions should be referred to 512-463-7167 or by email at <u>naturalgascurtailment@rrc.texas.gov</u>.
- 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 <u>GUD\_Compliance@rrc.texas.gov</u>.

## L. Complaints and Inquiries

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

## 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 <a href="http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/non-submetered-master-meter-disconnections/">http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/non-submetered-master-meter-disconnections/</a>.

## N. Texas Utilities Codes

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

## **O.** Texas Administrative Codes

1. Available at the State of Texas website at: <u>http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=</u> <u>7</u>.

## P. Pending RRC Rules and Regulations

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

## Q. Proposed Form Amendments (PFD):

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

## **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

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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.