#### **EXHIBIT AMM-1**

#### **QUALIFICATIONS OF ADRIEN M. MCKENZIE**

#### Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.

 A. My name is Adrien M. McKenzie. My business address is 3907 Red River St., Austin, Texas 78751.

#### Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR OCCUPATION.

A. I am a principal in FINCAP, Inc., a firm engaged primarily in financial, economic, and policy consulting in the field of public utility regulation.

#### Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE.

A. I received B.A. and M.B.A. degrees with a major in finance from The University of Texas at Austin, and hold the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA®) designation. Since joining FINCAP in 1984, I have participated in consulting assignments involving a broad range of economic and financial issues, including cost of capital, cost of service, rate design, economic damages, and business valuation. I have extensive experience in economic and financial analysis for regulated industries, and in preparing and supporting expert witness testimony before courts, regulatory agencies, and legislative committees throughout the U.S. and Canada. I have personally sponsored direct and rebuttal testimony in over 130 proceedings filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") and regulatory agencies in Alaska, Arkansas, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, and Wyoming. My testimony addressed the establishment of risk-comparable proxy groups, the application of alternative quantitative methods, and the consideration of regulatory standards and

policy objectives in establishing a fair rate of return on equity for regulated electric, gas, and water utility operations. In connection with these assignments, my responsibilities have included critically evaluating the positions of other parties and preparation of rebuttal testimony, representing clients in settlement negotiations and hearings, and assisting in the preparation of legal briefs.

FINCAP was formed in 1979 as an economic and financial consulting firm serving clients in both the regulated and competitive sectors. FINCAP conducts assignments ranging from broad qualitative analyses and policy consulting to technical analyses and research. The firm's experience is in the areas of public utilities, valuation of closely-held businesses, and economic evaluations (e.g., damage and cost/benefit analyses). Prior to joining FINCAP, I was employed by an oil and gas firm and was responsible for operations and accounting. I am a member of the CFA Institute, the CFA Society of Austin. A resume containing the details of my qualifications and experience is attached below.

## ADRIEN M. McKENZIE

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### **Summary of Qualifications**

Adrien McKenzie has an MBA in finance from the University of Texas at Austin and holds the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA<sup>®</sup>) designation. He has over 30 years of experience in economic and financial analysis for regulated industries, and in preparing and supporting expert witness testimony before courts, regulatory agencies, and legislative committees throughout the U.S. and Canada. Assignments have included a broad range of economic and financial issues, including cost of capital, cost of service, rate design, economic damages, and business valuation.

### **Employment**

President FINCAP, Inc. (June 1984 to June 1987) (April 1988 to present) Economic consulting firm specializing in regulated industries and valuation of closely-held businesses. Assignments have involved electric. gas, telecommunication, and water/sewer utilities, with clients including utilities, consumer groups, municipalities, regulatory agencies, and cogenerators. Areas of participation have included rate of return, revenue requirements, rate design, tariff analysis, avoided cost, forecasting, and negotiations. Develop cost of capital analyses using alternative market models for electric, gas, and telephone utilities. Prepare prefiled direct and rebuttal testimony, participate in settlement negotiations, respond to interrogatories, evaluate opposition testimony, and assist in the areas of cross-examination and the preparations of legal briefs. Other assignments have involved preparation of technical reports, valuations, estimation of damages, industry studies, and various economic analyses in support of litigation.

Manager, McKenzie Energy Company (Jan. 1981 to May. 1984) Responsible for operations and accounting for firm engaged in the management of working interests in oil and gas properties.

## **Education**

<i>M.B.A., Finance</i> , University of Texas at Austin (Sep. 1982 to May. 1984)	<ul> <li>Program included coursework in corporate finance, accounting, financial modeling, and statistics. Received Dean's Award for Academic Excellence and Good Neighbor Scholarship.</li> <li>Professional Report: <i>The Impact of Construction Expenditures on Investor-Owned Electric Utilities</i></li> </ul>
B.B.A., Finance, University of Texas at Austin (Jan. 1981 to May 1982)	Electives included capital market theory, portfolio management, and international economics and finance. Elected to Beta Gamma Sigma business honor society. Dean's List 1981-1982.
Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada and University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu, Hawaii (Jan. 1979 to Dec 1980)	Coursework in accounting, finance, economics, and liberal arts.

## **Professional Associations**

Received Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA®) designation in 1990.

*Member* – CFA Institute.

## **Bibliography**

- "A Profile of State Regulatory Commissions," A Special Report by the Electricity Consumers Resource Council (ELCON), Summer 1991.
- "The Impact of Regulatory Climate on Utility Capital Costs: An Alternative Test," with Bruce H. Fairchild, *Public Utilities Fortnightly* (May 25, 1989).

## **Presentations**

- "ROE at FERC: Issues and Methods," *Expert Briefing on Parallels in ROE Issues between AER, ERA, and FERC*, Jones Day (Sydney, Melbourne, and Perth, Australia) (April 15, 2014).
- Cost of Capital Working Group eforum, Edison Electric Institute (April 24, 2012).
- "Cost-of-Service Studies and Rate Design," General Management of Electric Utilities (A Training Program for Electric Utility Managers from Developing Countries), Austin, Texas (October 1989 and November 1990 and 1991).

### **Representative Assignments**

Mr. McKenzie has prepared and supported prefiled testimony submitted in over 250 regulatory proceedings. In addition to filings before regulators in over thirty state jurisdictions, Mr. McKenzie has considerable expertise in preparing expert analyses and testimony before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") on the issue of rate of return on equity ("ROE"), and has broad experience in applying and evaluating the results of quantitative methods to estimate a fair ROE, including discounted cash flow approaches, the Capital Asset Pricing Model, risk premium methods, and other quantitative benchmarks. Other representative assignments have included developing cost of service and cost allocation studies, the application of econometric models to analyze the impact of anti-competitive behavior and estimate lost profits; development of explanatory models for nuclear plant capital costs in connection with prudency reviews; and the analysis of avoided cost pricing for cogenerated power.

## **ROE ANALYSES**

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## SUMMARY OF RESULTS

Adjustment

**Recommended ROE Range** 

Method	Average	Midpoint
DCF		
Value Line	10.3%	10.9%
IBES	8.4%	9.1%
Zacks	9.1%	10.0%
Internal br + sv	9.4%	9.8%
<u>CAPM</u>		
Current Bond Yield	9.4%	9.7%
Projected Bond Yield	9.8%	10.1%
Empirical CAPM		
Current Bond Yield	10.3%	10.5%
Projected Bond Yield	10.6%	10.8%
<u>Utility Risk Premium</u>		
Current Bond Yields	9	9.5%
Projected Bond Yield	1	0.2%
Expected Earnings	10.3%	9.9%
<b>Cost of Equity Recommendation</b>		
Cost of Equity Range	9.4%	10.4%
Flotation Cost Adjustment		
Dividend Yield	2	2.7%
Flotation Cost Percentage	2	<u>2.9%</u>

0.08%

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10.5%

9.5%

#### **REGULATORY MECHANISMS**

#### GAS GROUP

			Conserv.			Weather	Infra-	Environ-	Bad	
		Gas Cost	Program				structure	mental	Debt	
Holding Company/	State	Adjust	Expense	Full	Partial	ization	Tracker	Compliance	Rider	Other
Atmos Energy Corp.										
Atmos Energy	KS	1			✓	✓	✓		1	Certain taxes and franchise fees
Atmos Energy	KY	1	1		1	1	1		1	Certain taxes and franchise fees
Atmos Energy	LA	1			FRM	1	1			
Atmos Energy	MS	1	1		FRM	1	1			
Atmos Energy	TN	1			FRM	1				Capacity management
Atmos Energy	ΤX	1			FRM	1	1		1	
Chesapeake Utilities										
Chesapeake Utilities	DE	1					1	1		Certain taxes and fees
Florida Public Utilities	FL	1	✓				1	1		Certain taxes and fees
New Jersey Resources										
New Jersey Natural Gas	NJ	1	✓	1			1	1		Certain taxes and fees
NiSource Inc.										
Northern Indiana Public Service	IN	1	1				1		1	
Columbia Gas of Kentucky	KY	1	1		1	1	1		1	Certain taxes and franchise fees
Columbia Gas of Maryland	MD	✓	✓		✓ ✓	✓				Certain taxes and fees
Bay State Gas	MA	1	· ·	1		-	/	1		Pensions, post-empl benefits
Columbia Gas of Ohio	OH	***	✓				/		1	Certain taxes and fees
Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania	PA	1			1	1	1			Certain taxes and franchise fees
Columbia Gas of Virginia	VA	1	1		· ·	· ·	/		1	
Northwest Natural Holding Co.		-	-		-	-	-			
Northwest Natural Gas	OR	1	1		1	1		<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>		
Northwest Natural Gas	WA	1	· ·							
ONE Gas, Inc.		-								
Kansas Gas Service	KS	1			1	1	1		1	Certain taxes and fees, pensions
Oklahoma Natural Gas	OK	· ·	1		· ·	· /			· ·	Certain taxes and franchise fees
Texas Gas Service	TX	1			1	1	1			
South Jersey Industries		-			•	•	•			
Elizabethtown Gas	NJ	1	1		1	1	1	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>		Certain taxes and fees
South Jersey Gas	NJ	1	1	1			1			Certain taxes and fees
Southwest Gas		•	•	•			•	v		
Southwest Gas	AZ	1	1	1			1			Franchise fees
Southwest Gas	CA	· ·		1						
Southwest Gas	NV	· ·		· ·			1		1	
Spire Inc.				-					•	
Spire Inc. Spire Alabama	AL	1			1					Certain taxes
Spire Gulf	AL	✓ ✓			✓ ✓					Certain taxes
Spire Ouri Spire Missouri Inc East	MO	✓ ✓			✓ ✓	<i>v</i>				Certain taxes and franchise fees
Spire Missouri Inc West	MO	✓ ✓			•	✓ ✓	V 			Certain taxes and franchise fees

Sources:

(a) S&P Global, "Adjustment Clauses - A State-by-State Overview," RRA Regulatory Focus (Nov. 12, 2019).

(b) Company Form 10-K Reports.

FRM - Formula Rate Mechanism

 $\ast\ast\ast$  - Suppliers bid to directly serve customers

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### **DIVIDEND YIELD**

		(a)	(b)	
	Company	Price	Dividends	Yield
1	Atmos Energy Corp.	\$ 116.54	\$ 2.33	2.0%
2	Chesapeake Utilities	\$ 96.18	\$ 1.68	1.7%
3	New Jersey Resources	\$ 42.94	\$ 1.25	2.9%
4	NiSource Inc.	\$ 29.23	\$ 0.84	2.9%
5	Northwest Natural	\$ 74.33	\$ 1.91	2.6%
6	ONE Gas, Inc.	\$ 94.61	\$ 2.16	2.3%
7	South Jersey Industries	\$ 31.76	\$ 1.25	3.9%
8	Southwest Gas	\$ 77.53	\$ 2.30	3.0%
9	Spire Inc.	\$ 84.71	\$ 2.49	2.9%
	Average			2.7%

(a) Average of closing prices for 30 trading days ended Feb. 20, 2020.

(b) The Value Line Investment Survey, Summary & Index (Feb. 21, 2020).

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## **GROWTH RATES**

		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
		Earr	nings Gro	owth	br+sv
	Company	V Line	<b>IBES</b>	Zacks	<u>Growth</u>
1	Atmos Energy Corp.	7.0%	7.1%	7.2%	9.5%
2	Chesapeake Utilities	9.0%	6.0%	7.0%	11.0%
3	New Jersey Resources	2.5%	6.0%	8.0%	4.5%
4	NiSource Inc.	2.5%	4.1%	5.2%	5.5%
5	Northwest Natural	22.5%	3.8%	5.0%	6.8%
6	ONE Gas, Inc.	7.0%	5.0%	5.5%	5.2%
7	South Jersey Industries	9.5%	4.6%	8.5%	7.1%
8	Southwest Gas	8.0%	8.2%	6.0%	7.3%
9	Spire Inc.	5.5%	4.7%	5.2%	3.8%

(a) The Value Line Investment Survey (Feb. 28, 2020).

(b) www.finance.yahoo.com (retrieved Feb. 20, 2020).

(c) www.zacks.com (retrieved Feb. 20, 2020, except SJI which was retrieved Dec. 30, 2019).

(d) See Exhibit AMM-5.

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## DCF COST OF EQUITY ESTIMATES

		(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
		Ea	br+sv		
	Company	V Line	<b>IBES</b>	<b>Zacks</b>	Growth
1	Atmos Energy Corp.	9.0%	9.1%	9.1%	11.5%
2	Chesapeake Utilities	10.7%	7.7%	8.7%	12.8%
3	New Jersey Resources	5.4%	8.9%	10.9%	7.5%
4	NiSource Inc.	5.4%	6.9%	8.0%	8.3%
5	Northwest Natural	25.1%	6.3%	7.6%	9.3%
6	ONE Gas, Inc.	9.3%	7.3%	7.8%	7.4%
7	South Jersey Industries	13.4%	8.5%	12.4%	11.0%
8	Southwest Gas	11.0%	11.2%	9.0%	10.2%
9	Spire Inc.	8.4%	7.6%	8.1%	6.8%
	Average (b)	10.3%	8.4%	9.1%	9.4%
	Midpoint (b,c)	10.9%	9.1%	10.0%	9.8%

(a) Sum of dividend yield (Exhibit AMM-4, p. 1) and respective growth rate (Exhibit AMM-4, p. 2).

(b) Excludes highlighted figures.

(c) Average of low and high values.

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### LOW-END THRESHOLD ADJUSTMENT

Atlantic Path	n 15 / Startrans / So. Cal Edison	Pioneer Tran	smission
	Baa Yield	Ba	a Yield
Jun-07	6.54%	Apr-08	6.81%
Jul-07	6.49%	May-08	6.79%
Aug-07	6.51%	Jun-08	6.93%
Sep-07	6.45%	Jul-08	6.97%
Oct-07	6.36%	Aug-08	6.98%
Nov-07	6.27%	Sep-08	7.15%
		<u>Current</u>	<b>Projected</b>
Historical Ba	a Bond Yield	6.69% (a)	6.69% (a)
Current Baa	Bond Yield	3.69% (b)	5.07% (c)
Change in	Bond Yield	-3.00%	-1.62%
Risk Premiu	m/Interest Rate Relationship	-0.46993 (d)	-0.46993 (d)
Adjustmer	nt to Low-end Threshold	1.41%	0.76%

Current Baa Bond Yield	3.69%	5.07%
Original Threshold	1.00%	1.00%
Adjustment	<u>1.41%</u>	<u>0.76%</u>
Adjusted Low-end Threshold	6.10%	6.83%

(a) Average Baa utility bond yield for 6-mo. periods ending Nov. 2007 and Sep. 2008.

(b) Average Baa utility bond yield for 6-months ended Jan. 2020.

(c) Average Baa utility bond yield for 2021-25 based on data from Value Line Investment Survey, Forecast for the U.S. Economy (Feb. 28, 2020); IHS Global Insight, Long-Term Macro Forecast - Baseline (Oct. 15, 2019), Moody's Investors Service at www.credittrends.com.

(d) Exhibit AMM-8, page 5.

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#### SUSTAINABLE GROWTH RATE

		(a)	(a)	(a)			(b)	(c)		(d)	(e)		
			2024				Adjustmen	justment			"sv" Factor		
	Company	EPS	<b>DPS</b>	<b>BVPS</b>	b	<u>r</u>	<b>Factor</b>	<u>Adjusted r</u>	br	S	V	SV	br + sv
1	Atmos Energy Corp.	\$6.00	\$3.00	\$66.20	50.0%	9.1%	1.0512	9.5%	4.8%	0.0870	0.5434	4.73%	9.5%
2	Chesapeake Utilities	\$5.50	\$2.30	\$56.90	58.2%	9.7%	1.0676	10.3%	6.0%	0.0896	0.5623	5.04%	11.0%
3	New Jersey Resources	\$2.40	\$1.57	\$26.15	34.6%	9.2%	1.0519	9.7%	3.3%	0.0349	0.3463	1.21%	4.5%
4	NiSource Inc.	\$2.25	\$1.16	\$15.35	48.4%	14.7%	1.0059	14.7%	7.1%	(0.0300)	0.5614	-1.69%	5.5%
5	Northwest Natural	\$3.50	\$1.97	\$29.85	43.7%	11.7%	1.0192	12.0%	5.2%	0.0250	0.6148	1.54%	6.8%
6	ONE Gas, Inc.	\$4.75	\$2.80	\$49.60	41.1%	9.6%	1.0253	9.8%	4.0%	0.0187	0.6032	1.13%	5.2%
7	South Jersey Industries	\$2.50	\$1.40	\$21.30	44.0%	11.7%	1.0559	12.4%	5.5%	0.0350	0.4675	1.64%	7.1%
8	Southwest Gas	\$6.00	\$2.75	\$62.30	54.2%	9.6%	1.0480	10.1%	5.5%	0.0518	0.3442	1.78%	7.3%
9	Spire Inc.	\$5.15	\$3.00	\$72.00	41.7%	7.2%	1.0442	7.5%	3.1%	0.0224	0.3143	0.70%	3.8%

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#### SUSTAINABLE GROWTH RATE

		(a)	(a)	(f)	(a)	(a)	(f)	(g)	(a)	(a)		(h)	(a)	(a)	(g)
			2019			2024		Chg		2024 Price	e	_	Con	nmon Sł	nares
	Company	Eq Ratio	Tot Cap	Com Eq	Eq Ratio	Tot Cap	Com Eq	Equity	<u>High</u>	Low	Avg.	<u>M/B</u>	<u>2019</u>	2024	Growth
1	Atmos Energy Corp.	62.0%	\$9,280	\$5,753	60.0%	\$16,000	\$9,600	10.8%	\$160.00	\$130.00	\$145.00	2.190	119.34	145.00	3.97%
2	Chesapeake Utilities	59.0%	\$980	\$578	65.0%	\$1,750	\$1,138	14.5%	\$150.00	\$110.00	\$130.00	2.285	16.50	20.00	3.92%
3	New Jersey Resources	50.2%	\$3,089	\$1,551	56.5%	\$4,615	\$2,607	11.0%	\$45.00	\$35.00	\$40.00	1.530	89.34	100.00	2.28%
4	NiSource Inc.	45.0%	\$14,180	\$6,381	45.0%	\$15,040	\$6,768	1.2%	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$35.00	2.280	374.00	350.00	-1.32%
5	Northwest Natural	52.0%	\$1,520	\$790	52.5%	\$1,825	\$958	3.9%	\$85.00	\$70.00	\$77.50	2.596	30.50	32.00	0.96%
6	ONE Gas, Inc.	62.0%	\$3,415	\$2,117	62.0%	\$4,400	\$2,728	5.2%	\$145.00	\$105.00	\$125.00	2.520	53.00	55.00	0.74%
7	South Jersey Industries	42.5%	\$3,550	\$1,509	44.0%	\$6,000	\$2,640	11.8%	\$45.00	\$35.00	\$40.00	1.878	93.00	102.00	1.86%
8	Southwest Gas	50.0%	\$5,000	\$2,500	56.5%	\$7,150	\$4,040	10.1%	\$115.00	\$75.00	\$95.00	1.525	55.00	65.00	3.40%
9	Spire Inc.	55.0%	\$4,626	\$2,544	55.0%	\$7,200	\$3,960	9.3%	\$120.00	\$90.00	\$105.00	1.458	50.97	55.00	1.53%

(a) The Value Line Investment Survey (Feb. 28, 2020).

(b) Computed using the formula 2\*(1+5-Yr. Change in Equity)/(2+5 Yr. Change in Equity).

(c) Product of average year-end "r" for 2024 and Adjustment Factor.

(d) Product of change in common shares outstanding and M/B Ratio.

(e) Computed as 1 - B/M Ratio.

(f) Product of total capital and equity ratio.

(g) Five-year rate of change.

(h) Average of High and Low expected market prices divided by 2024 BVPS.

#### **CAPM - CURRENT BOND YIELD**

#### **GAS GROUP**

	(a)	(b)		(c)		(d)		(d)	(e)	
	Mark	ket Return	n ( <b>R</b> <sub>m</sub> )							
	Div	Proj.	Cost of	<b>Risk-Free</b>	Risk		Unadjusted	Market	Size	CAPM
Company	Yield	Growth	Equity	Rate	Premium	Beta	K <sub>e</sub>	Cap	Adjustment	Result
Atmos Energy Corp.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	0.55	7.6%	\$14,700	0.50%	8.1%
Chesapeake Utilities	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	0.60	8.1%	\$1,600	1.58%	9.7%
New Jersey Resources	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	0.65	8.6%	\$4,200	1.26%	9.8%
NiSource Inc.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	0.55	7.6%	\$11,300	0.84%	8.4%
Northwest Natural	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	0.55	7.6%	\$2,300	1.54%	9.1%
ONE Gas, Inc.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	0.60	8.1%	\$5,100	0.82%	8.9%
South Jersey Industries	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	0.80	10.0%	\$3,000	1.26%	11.3%
Southwest Gas	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	0.65	8.6%	\$4,300	1.26%	9.8%
Spire Inc.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	0.60	8.1%	\$4,500	1.26%	9.3%
Average										9.4%
Midpoint (f)										9.7%

(a) Weighted average for www.valueline.com (retrieved Feb. 7, 2020).

(b) Average of weighted average earnings growth rates from IBES, Zacks, and Value Line for dividend-paying stocks in the S&P 500 based on data from http://finance.yahoo.com (retrieved Feb. 7, 2020), www.valueline.com (retrieved Feb. 7, 2020), and www.zacks.com (retrieved Feb. 7, 2020).

(c) Average yield on 30-year Treasury bonds for the six-months ending Jan. 2020 based on data from https://fred.stlouisfed.org/.

(d) The Value Line Investment Survey (Feb. 28, 2020).

(e) Duff & Phelps, 2019 CRSP Deciles Size Study -- Supplementary Data Exhibits, Cost of Capital Navigator.

(f) Average of low and high values.

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#### **CAPM - PROJECTED BOND YIELD**

#### **GAS GROUP**

	(a)	(b)		(c)		(d)		(d)	(e)	
	Marl	ket Return	n ( <b>R</b> <sub>m</sub> )							
	Div	Proj.	Cost of	<b>Risk-Free</b>	Risk		Unadjusted	Market	Size	CAPM
Company	Yield	Growth	Equity	Rate	Premium	Beta	K <sub>e</sub>	Cap	Adjustment	Result
Atmos Energy Corp.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	0.55	8.1%	\$14,700	0.50%	8.6%
Chesapeake Utilities	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	0.60	8.5%	\$1,600	1.58%	10.1%
New Jersey Resources	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	0.65	9.0%	\$4,200	1.26%	10.2%
NiSource Inc.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	0.55	8.1%	\$11,300	0.84%	8.9%
Northwest Natural	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	0.55	8.1%	\$2,300	1.54%	9.6%
ONE Gas, Inc.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	0.60	8.5%	\$5,100	0.82%	9.3%
South Jersey Industries	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	0.80	10.3%	\$3,000	1.26%	11.5%
Southwest Gas	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	0.65	9.0%	\$4,300	1.26%	10.2%
Spire Inc.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	0.60	8.5%	\$4,500	1.26%	9.8%
Average										9.8%
Midpoint (f)										10.1%

(a) Weighted average for www.valueline.com (retrieved Feb. 7, 2020).

(b) Average of weighted average earnings growth rates from IBES, Zacks, and Value Line for dividend-paying stocks in the S&P 500 based on data from http://finance.yahoo.com (retrieved Feb. 7, 2020), www.valueline.com (retrieved Feb. 7, 2020), and www.zacks.com (retrieved Feb. 7, 2020).

(c) Average yield on 30-year Treasury bonds for 2021-25 based on data from the Value Line Investment Survey, Forecast for the U.S. Economy (Feb. 28, 2020); IHS Global Insight, Long-Term Macro Forecast - Baseline (Oct. 15, 2019); & Wolters Kluwer, Blue Chip Financial Forecasts (Dec. 1, 2019).

(d) The Value Line Investment Survey (Feb. 28, 2020).

(e) Duff & Phelps, 2019 CRSP Deciles Size Study -- Supplementary Data Exhibits, Cost of Capital Navigator.

(f) Average of low and high values.

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#### **EMPIRICAL CAPM - CURRENT BOND YIELD**

#### GAS GROUP

		(a)	(b)		(c)		(d)		(e)	(d)				(e)	(f)	
		Marl	ket Retui	rn (R <sub>m</sub> )												
		Div	Proj.	Cost of	<b>Risk-Free</b>		Unadjus		<b>Beta</b>	Adjuste	d RP		Unadjusted	Market	Size	ECAPM
	Company	Yield	Growth	Equity	Rate	Premium	Weight	<b>RP</b> <sup>1</sup>	Beta	Weight	$RP^2$	Total RP	K <sub>e</sub>	Cap	Adjustment	Result
1	Atmos Energy Corp.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	25%	2.5%	0.55	75%	4.0%	6.5%	8.7%	\$14,700	0.50%	9.2%
2	Chesapeake Utilities	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	25%	2.5%	0.60	75%	4.4%	6.9%	9.1%	\$1,600	1.58%	10.6%
3	New Jersey Resources	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	25%	2.5%	0.65	75%	4.8%	7.2%	9.4%	\$4,200	1.26%	10.7%
4	NiSource Inc.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	25%	2.5%	0.55	75%	4.0%	6.5%	8.7%	\$11,300	0.84%	9.5%
5	Northwest Natural	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	25%	2.5%	0.55	75%	4.0%	6.5%	8.7%	\$2,300	1.54%	10.2%
6	ONE Gas, Inc.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	25%	2.5%	0.60	75%	4.4%	6.9%	9.1%	\$5,100	0.82%	9.9%
7	South Jersey Industries	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	25%	2.5%	0.80	75%	5.9%	8.3%	10.5%	\$3,000	1.26%	11.8%
8	Southwest Gas	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	25%	2.5%	0.65	75%	4.8%	7.2%	9.4%	\$4,300	1.26%	10.7%
9	Spire Inc.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	2.2%	9.8%	25%	2.5%	0.60	75%	4.4%	6.9%	9.1%	\$4,500	1.26%	10.3%
	Average															10.3%
	Midpoint (g)															10.5%

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(c) Average yield on 30-year Treasury bonds for the six-months ending Jan. 2020 based on data from https://fred.stlouisfed.org/.

(d) Roger A. Morin, "New Regulatory Finance," Public Utilities Reports, Inc. (2006) at 190.

(e) The Value Line Investment Survey (Feb. 28, 2020).

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(g) Average of low and high values.

#### **EMPIRICAL CAPM - PROJECTED BOND YIELD**

#### GAS GROUP

		(a)	(b)		(c)		(d)		(e)	(d)				(e)	(f)	
		Marl	ket Retur	rn (R <sub>m</sub> )												
		Div	Proj.	Cost of	<b>Risk-Free</b>		Unadjus		<b>Beta</b>	Adjuste	d RP	_	Unadjusted	Market	Size	ECAPM
	Company	Yield	Growth	Equity	Rate	Premium	Weight	<i>RP</i> <sup>1</sup>	Beta	Weight	$RP^2$	Total RP	K <sub>e</sub>	Cap	Adjustment	Result
1	Atmos Energy Corp.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	25%	2.2%	0.55	75%	3.6%	5.8%	9.1%	\$14,700	0.50%	9.6%
2	Chesapeake Utilities	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	25%	2.2%	0.60	75%	3.9%	6.1%	9.4%	\$1,600	1.58%	11.0%
3	New Jersey Resources	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	25%	2.2%	0.65	75%	4.2%	6.4%	9.7%	\$4,200	1.26%	11.0%
4	NiSource Inc.	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	25%	2.2%	0.55	75%	3.6%	5.8%	9.1%	\$11,300	0.84%	9.9%
5	Northwest Natural	2.3%	9.7%	12.0%	3.3%	8.7%	25%	2.2%	0.55	75%	3.6%	5.8%	9.1%	\$2,300	1.54%	10.6%
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	Average															10.6%
	Midpoint (g)															10.8%

(a) Weighted average for www.valueline.com (retrieved Feb. 7, 2020).

(b) Average of weighted average earnings growth rates from IBES, Zacks, and Value Line for dividend-paying stocks in the S&P 500 based on data from http://finance.yahoo.com (retrieved Feb. 7, 2020), www.valueline.com (retrieved Feb. 7, 2020), and www.zacks.com (retrieved Feb. 7, 2020).

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(g) Average of low and high values.

## GAS UTILITY RISK PREMIUM

### **CURRENT BOND YIELDS**

Current Equity Risk Premium	7.0204
(a) Avg. Yield over Study Period	7.93%
(b) Single-A Utility Bond Yield	<u>3.36%</u>
Change in Bond Yield	-4.57%
(c) Risk Premium/Interest Rate Relationship	<u>-0.4699</u>
Adjustment to Average Risk Premium	2.15%
(a) Average Risk Premium over Study Period	<u>3.63%</u>
Adjusted Risk Premium	5.78%
<b>Implied Cost of Equity</b>	
(b) Triple-B Utility Bond Yield	3.69%
Adjusted Equity Risk Premium	5.78%
<b>Risk Premium Cost of Equity</b>	9.47%

- (a) Exhibit AMM-8, page 4.
- (b) Average bond yield for six-months ending Jan. 2020 based on data from Moody's Investors Service at www.credittrends.com.
- (c) Exhibit AMM-8, page 5.

### GAS UTILITY RISK PREMIUM

## PROJECTED BOND YIELDS

<u>Current Equity Risk Premium</u>	
(a) Avg. Yield over Study Period	7.93%
(b) Single-A Utility Bond Yield 2021-2025	4.74%
Change in Bond Yield	-3.19%
(c) Risk Premium/Interest Rate Relationship	-0.4699
Adjustment to Average Risk Premium	1.50%
(a) Average Risk Premium over Study Period	<u>3.63%</u>
Adjusted Risk Premium	5.13%
Implied Cost of Equity	
(b) Triple-B Utility Bond Yield 2021-25	5.07%
Adjusted Equity Risk Premium	5.13%
Risk Premium Cost of Equity	10.20%

(a) Exhibit AMM-8, page 4.

(b) Based on data from IHS Global Insight, Long-Term Macro Forecast - Baseline (Oct. 15, 2019); Energy Information Administration, Annual Energy Outlook 2020 (Jan. 29, 2020); Moody's Investors Service at www.credittrends.com.

(c) Exhibit AMM-8, page 5.

## AUTHORIZED RETURNS

		(a)	(b) Single-A					(a)	(b) Single-A	DU
Year	Qtr.	Allowed ROE	Utility Bond Yield	Risk Premium		Year	Qtr.	Allowed ROE	Utility Bond Yield	Risk Premium
1980	1	13.45%	13.49%	-0.04%	•	1990	1	12.60%	9.72%	2.88%
	2	14.38%	12.87%	1.51%			2	12.81%	9.91%	2.90%
	3	13.87%	12.88%	0.99%			3	12.34%	9.93%	2.41%
	4	14.35%	14.11%	0.24%			4	12.77%	9.89%	2.88%
1981	1	14.69%	14.77%	-0.08%		1991	1	12.69%	9.58%	3.11%
	2	14.61%	15.82%	-1.21%			2	12.53%	9.50%	3.03%
	3	14.86%	16.65%	-1.79%			3	12.43%	9.33%	3.10%
	4	15.70%	16.57%	-0.87%			4	12.38%	9.02%	3.36%
1982	1	15.55%	16.72%	-1.17%		1992	1	12.42%	8.91%	3.51%
	2	15.62%	16.26%	-0.64%			2	11.98%	8.86%	3.12%
	3	15.72%	15.88%	-0.16%			3	11.87%	8.47%	3.40%
	4	15.62%	14.56%	1.06%			4	11.94%	8.53%	3.41%
1983	1	15.41%	14.15%	1.26%		1993	1	11.75%	8.07%	3.68%
	2	14.84%	13.58%	1.26%			2	11.71%	7.81%	3.90%
	3	15.24%	13.52%	1.72%			3	11.39%	7.28%	4.11%
	4	15.41%	13.38%	2.03%			4	11.15%	7.22%	3.93%
1984	1	15.39%	13.56%	1.83%		1994	1	11.12%	7.55%	3.57%
	2	15.07%	14.72%	0.35%			2	10.81%	8.29%	2.52%
	3	15.37%	14.47%	0.90%			3	10.95%	8.51%	2.44%
	4	15.33%	13.38%	1.95%			4	11.64%	8.87%	2.77%
1985	1	15.03%	13.31%	1.72%		1995	1	(c)		
	2	15.44%	12.95%	2.49%			2	11.00%	7.93%	3.07%
	3	14.64%	12.11%	2.53%			3	11.07%	7.72%	3.35%
	4	14.44%	11.49%	2.95%		1996	4	11.56%	7.37%	4.19%
1986	1	14.05%	10.18%	3.87%			1	11.45%	7.44%	4.01%
	2	13.28%	9.41%	3.87%			2	10.88%	7.98%	2.90%
	3	13.09%	9.39%	3.70%			3	11.25%	7.96%	3.29%
	4	13.62%	9.31%	4.31%		1997	4	11.32%	7.62%	3.70%
1987	1	12.61%	8.96%	3.65%			1	11.31%	7.76%	3.55%
	2	13.13%	9.77%	3.36%			2	11.70%	7.88%	3.82%
	3	12.56%	10.61%	1.95%			3	12.00%	7.49%	4.51%
	4	12.73%	11.05%	1.68%			4	11.01%	7.25%	3.76%
1988	1	12.94%	10.32%	2.62%		1998	1	(c)		
	2	12.48%	10.71%	1.77%			2	11.37%	7.12%	4.25%
	3	12.79%	10.94%	1.85%			3	11.41%	6.99%	4.42%
	4	12.98%	9.98%	3.00%			4	11.69%	6.97%	4.72%
1989	1	12.99%	10.13%	2.86%		1999	1	10.82%	7.11%	3.71%
	2	13.25%	9.94%	3.31%			2	10.82%	7.48%	3.34%
	3	12.56%	9.53%	3.03%			3	(c)		
	4	12.94%	9.50%	3.44%			4	10.33%	8.05%	2.28%

#### **AUTHORIZED RETURNS**

		(a)	(b)					(a)	(b)	
		A 111	Single-A	D:-L				A 11 J	Single-A	D:-l-
Veen	04-	Allowed	Utility Bond	Risk		Veen	Otra	Allowed	Utility Bond	Risk
Year	-	<b>ROE</b> 10.71%	Yield	Premium		Year		<b>ROE</b>	<b>Yield</b> 5.83%	Premiun
2000	1		8.29%	2.42%		2010	1	10.24%		4.41%
	2	11.08%	8.45% 8.25%	2.63%			2	9.99%	5.61%	4.38%
	3	11.33%	8.25%	3.08%			3	9.93%	5.09%	4.84%
2001	4	12.50%	8.03%	4.47%		0011	4	10.09%	5.34%	4.75%
2001	1	11.16%	7.74%	3.42%		2011	1	10.10%	5.60%	4.50%
	2	10.75%	7.93%	2.82%			2	9.85%	5.38%	4.47%
	3	(c)					3	9.65%	4.81%	4.84%
••••	4	10.65%	7.68%	2.97%			4	9.88%	4.37%	5.51%
2002	1	10.67%	7.65%	3.02%		2012	1	9.63%	4.39%	5.24%
	2	11.64%	7.50%	4.14%			2	9.83%	4.23%	5.60%
	3	11.50%	7.19%	4.31%			3	9.75%	3.98%	5.77%
	4	10.78%	7.15%	3.63%			4	10.07%	3.93%	6.14%
2003	1	11.38%	6.93%	4.45%		2013	1	9.57%	4.18%	5.39%
	2	11.36%	6.40%	4.96%			2	9.47%	4.23%	5.24%
	3	10.61%	6.64%	3.97%			3	9.60%	4.74%	4.86%
	4	10.84%	6.35%	4.49%			4	9.83%	4.76%	5.07%
2004	1	11.10%	6.09%	5.01%		2014	1	9.54%	4.56%	4.98%
	2	10.25%	6.48%	3.77%			2	9.84%	4.32%	5.52%
	3	10.37%	6.13%	4.24%			3	9.45%	4.20%	5.25%
	4	10.66%	5.94%	4.72%			4	10.28%	4.03%	6.25%
2005	1	10.65%	5.74%	4.91%		2015	1	9.47%	3.66%	5.81%
	2	10.52%	5.52%	5.00%			2	9.43%	4.13%	5.30%
	3	10.47%	5.51%	4.96%			3	9.75%	4.35%	5.40%
	4	10.40%	5.82%	4.58%			4	9.68%	4.35%	5.33%
2006	1	10.63%	5.85%	4.78%		2016	1	9.48%	4.18%	5.30%
	2	10.50%	6.37%	4.13%			2	9.42%	3.90%	5.52%
	3	10.45%	6.19%	4.26%			3	9.47%	3.61%	5.86%
	4	10.14%	5.86%	4.28%			4	9.68%	4.04%	5.64%
2007	1	10.44%	5.90%	4.54%		2017	1	9.60%	4.18%	5.42%
	2	10.12%	6.09%	4.03%			2	9.47%	4.06%	5.41%
	3	10.03%	6.22%	3.81%			3	10.14%	3.91%	6.23%
	4	10.27%	6.08%	4.19%			4	9.68%	3.84%	5.84%
2008	1	10.38%	6.15%	4.23%		2018	1	9.68%	4.03%	5.65%
	2	10.17%	6.32%	3.85%			2	9.43%	4.24%	5.19%
	3	10.49%	6.42%	4.07%			3	9.69%	4.28%	5.41%
	4	10.34%	7.23%	3.11%			4	9.53%	4.45%	5.08%
2009	1	10.24%	6.37%	3.87%		2019	1	9.55%	4.25%	5.30%
	2	10.11%	6.39%	3.72%			2	9.73%	3.96%	5.77%
	3	9.88%	5.74%	4.14%			3	9.80%	3.71%	6.09%
	4	10.27%	5.66%	4.61%			4	9.73%	3.77%	5.96%
	•	10.2770	2.0070		A	Avera		11.56%	7.93%	3.63%

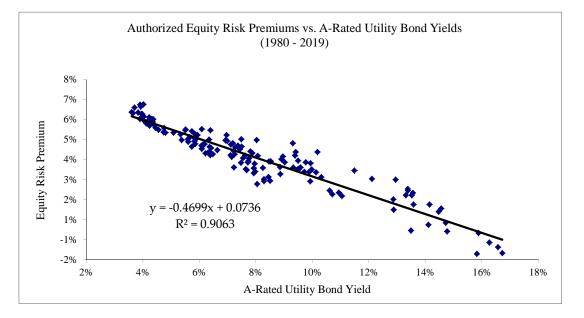
(a) Regulatory Research Associates, Inc., <u>Major Rate Case Decisions</u>, (Jan. 31, 2020, Jan. 14, 2016, Jan. 7, 2011, Apr. 5, 2004, Jan. 21, 1998, July 12, 1991, and Jan. 16, 1990).

(b) Moody's Investors Service.

(c) No decisions reported.

#### GAS UTILITY RISK PREMIUM

#### **REGRESSION RESULTS**



#### SUMMARY OUTPUT

Regression Statistics								
Multiple R	0.9519962							
R Square	0.9062967							
Adjusted R Square	0.9056882							
Standard Error	0.0050491							
Observations	156							

#### ANOVA

	df	SS	MS	F	Significance F
Regression	1	0.037972191	0.03797219	1489.48482	4.5049E-81
Residual	154	0.003926	2.5494E-05		
Total	155	0.041898191			

	<b>Coefficients</b> S	Standard Error	t Stat	P-value	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	Lower 95.0%)	Upper 95.0%
Intercept	0.0736	0.001046755	70.2678	6.693E-119	0.07148533	0.075621	0.07148533	0.07562103
X Variable 1	-0.4699	0.012176339	-38.5938444	4.5049E-81	-0.49398593	-0.445878	-0.4939859	-0.4458775

## **EXPECTED EARNINGS APPROACH**

### Exhibit AMM-9 Page 1 of 1

### **GAS GROUP**

		(a)	(b)	(c)
		<b>Expected Return</b>	Adjustment	<b>Adjusted Return</b>
	Company	on Common Equity	Factor	on Common Equity
1	Atmos Energy Corp.	9.0%	1.0512	9.5%
2	Chesapeake Utilities	9.5%	1.0676	10.1%
3	New Jersey Resources	9.0%	1.0519	9.5%
4	NiSource Inc.	12.5%	1.0059	12.6%
5	Northwest Natural	11.5%	1.0192	11.7%
6	ONE Gas, Inc.	9.5%	1.0253	9.7%
7	South Jersey Industries	11.5%	1.0559	12.1%
8	Southwest Gas	9.5%	1.0480	10.0%
9	Spire Inc.	7.0%	1.0442	7.3%
	Average			10.3%
	Midpoint (d)			9.9%

(a) The Value Line Investment Survey (Feb. 28, 2020).

(b) Adjustment to convert year-end return to an average rate of return from Exhibit AMM-5.

(c) (a) x (b).

(d) Average of low and high values.

#### FLOTATION COST STUDY

#### VALUE LINE UTILITY INDUSTRIES

2.902%

			(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
						Underwriting			Total	Gross Proceeds	Flotation
				Shares	Offering	Discount	Underwriting	Offering	Flotation	Before Flot.	Cost
No	. Sym	Company	Date	Issued	Price	(per share)	Discount	Expense	Costs	Costs	(%)
1	ALE	ALLETE	2/27/2014	3,220,000	\$49.75	\$1.74125	\$5,606,825	\$450,000	\$6,056,825	\$160,195,000	3.781%
2	LNT	Alliant Energy	11/14/2019	3,717,502	\$52.63	\$0.39500	\$1,468,413	\$500,000	\$1,968,413	\$195,652,130	1.006%
3	AEE	Ameren Corp.	8/5/2019	7,549,205	\$74.30	\$0.12000	\$905,905	\$750,000	\$1,655,905	\$560,905,932	0.295%
4	AEP	American Elec Pwr	4/2/2009	69,000,000	\$24.50	\$0.73500	\$50,715,000	\$400,000	\$51,115,000	\$1,690,500,000	3.024%
5	AGR	Avangrid, Inc.	10/10/0006	2 1 62 500	<b>*2</b> 5.05	<b>\$0,10000</b>	N/A	<b>*2</b> 00.000	<b>\$1.010.000</b>	ATO 220 (25	2 20 50/
6	AVA	Avista Corp.	12/13/2006	3,162,500	\$25.05	\$0.48000	\$1,518,000	\$300,000	\$1,818,000	\$79,220,625	2.295%
7	BKH	Black Hills Corp.	11/19/2015	6,325,000	\$40.25 \$27.25	\$1.40875 \$0.75000	\$8,910,344	\$1,200,000	\$10,110,344	\$254,581,250	3.971%
8 9	CNP CMS	CenterPoint Energy	9/27/2018 3/31/2005	60,550,459	\$27.25 \$12.25	\$0.75000 \$0.42880	\$45,412,844	\$1,000,000	\$46,412,844	\$1,650,000,008 \$281,750,000	2.813%
	ED	CMS Energy Corp. Consolidated Edison (a)		23,000,000	\$12.25	\$0.42880	\$9,862,400 \$3,422,000	\$325,000 \$400,000	\$10,187,400		3.616%
10 11	ED D		5/7/2019	5,800,000	\$84.83	\$0.59000 \$1.89420		\$400,000 \$450,000	\$3,822,000	\$492,014,000	0.777% 2.847%
11	DTE	Dominion Energy (a) DTE Energy Co.	3/29/2018 10/29/2019	20,000,000 2,400,000	\$67.33 \$126.00	\$1.89420 \$3.15000	\$37,884,000 \$7,560,000	\$430,000 \$300,000	\$38,334,000 \$7,860,000	\$1,346,516,000 \$302,400,000	2.847% 2.599%
12	DIE	Dife Energy Co. Duke Energy Corp. (a)	10/29/2019	2,400,000	\$120.00 \$85.99	\$3.13000 \$2.66000	\$66,500,000	\$592,000	\$7,800,000	\$2,149,750,000	2.399% 3.121%
13	EIX	Edison International	7/30/2019	23,000,000	\$68.50	\$2.00000 \$1.62688	\$45,552,500	\$725,000 \$725,000	\$46,277,500	\$1,918,000,000	2.413%
14	EE	El Paso Electric Co.	//30/2019	28,000,000	\$00.50	\$1.02088	N/A	\$725,000	\$40,277,300	\$1,918,000,000	2.413%
16	ETR	Entergy Corp.	6/8/2018	13,289,037	\$75.25	\$0.80000	\$10,631,230	\$650,000	\$11,281,230	\$1,000,000,034	1.128%
17		Evergy Inc.	0/0/2010	15,207,057	φ <i>15.25</i>	\$0.00000	N/A	φ050,000	\$11,201,230	φ1,000,000,004	1.12070
18	EVICE	Eversource Energy	5/30/2019	15,600,000	\$71.48	\$1.69000	\$26,364,000	\$615,000	\$26,979,000	\$1,115,088,000	2.419%
19	EXC	Exelon Corp.	6/13/2014	57,500,000	\$35.00	\$1.05000	\$60,375,000	\$600,000	\$60,975,000	\$2,012,500,000	3.030%
20	FE	FirstEnergy Corp.	9/15/2003	32,200,000	\$30.00	\$0.97500	\$31,395,000	\$423,000	\$31,818,000	\$966,000,000	3.294%
21	FTS	Fortis Inc.	<i>),10,2000</i>	52,200,000	<i><b>Q</b>20100</i>	<i><b>Q</b>0197200</i>	N/A	¢. <u>2</u> 0,000	\$21,010,000	\$200,000,000	0.227 170
22	HE	Hawaiian Elec.	3/20/2013	7.000.000	\$26.75	\$1.00312	\$7,021,840	\$450,000	\$7,471,840	\$187,250,000	3.990%
23	IDA	IDACORP, Inc.	12/10/2004	4,025,000	\$30.00	\$1.20000	\$4,830,000	\$300,000	\$5,130,000	\$120,750,000	4.248%
24		E MGE Energy	9/10/2004	1,265,000	\$31.85	\$1.03500	\$1,309,275	\$125,000	\$1,434,275	\$40,290,250	3.560%
25	NEE	NextEra Energy, Inc. (a)	11/3/2016	13,800,000	\$124.00	\$1.89000	\$26,082,000	\$750,000	\$26,832,000	\$1,711,200,000	1.568%
26	NWE	NorthWestern Corp. (a)	9/30/2015	1,100,000	\$51.81	\$1.33000	\$1,463,000	\$1,000,000	\$2,463,000	\$56,991,000	4.322%
27	OGE	OGE Energy Corp.	8/22/2003	5,324,074	\$21.60	\$0.79000	\$4,206,018	\$325,000	\$4,531,018	\$114,999,998	3.940%
28	OTTR	Otter Tail Corp.					N/A				
29	PNW	Pinnacle West Capital	4/9/2010	6,900,000	\$38.00	\$1.33000	\$9,177,000	\$190,000	\$9,367,000	\$262,200,000	3.572%
30	PNM	PNM Resources	1/7/2020	5,375,000	\$47.21	\$1.99000	\$10,696,250	\$750,000	\$11,446,250	\$253,753,750	4.511%
31	POR	Portland General Elec.	6/13/2013	12,765,000	\$29.50	\$0.95875	\$12,238,444	\$600,000	\$12,838,444	\$376,567,500	3.409%
32	PPL	PPL Corp.	5/10/2018	55,000,000	\$27.00	\$0.29430	\$16,186,500	\$1,000,000	\$17,186,500	\$1,485,000,000	1.157%
33	PEG	Pub Sv Enterprise Grp.	10/2/2003	9,487,500	\$41.75	\$1.25250	\$11,883,094	\$350,000	\$12,233,094	\$396,103,125	3.088%
34	SRE	Sempra Energy	1/5/2018	26,869,158	\$107.00	\$1.92600	\$51,749,998	\$1,500,000	\$53,249,998	\$2,874,999,906	1.852%
35	SO	Southern Company (a)	8/18/2016	32,500,000	\$49.30	\$1.66000	\$53,950,000	\$557,000	\$54,507,000	\$1,602,250,000	3.402%
36	WEC	WEC Energy Group					N/A				
37	XEL	Xcel Energy Inc. (a)	10/30/2019	10,300,000	\$62.69	\$0.63000	\$6,489,000	\$650,000	\$7,139,000	\$645,707,000	1.106%
		Average									2.779%
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1	ATO	Atmos Energy Corp.	11/30/2018	7,008,087	\$92.75	\$0.97690	\$6,846,200	\$1,000,000	\$7,846,200	\$650,000,069	1.207%
2	CPK	Chesapeake Utilities	9/23/2016	960,488	\$62.26	\$2.33000	\$2,237,937	\$162,046	\$2,399,983	\$59,799,983	4.013%
3	NJR	New Jersey Resources	12/4/2019	5,700,000	\$41.25	\$1.23750	\$7,053,750	\$500,000	\$7,553,750	\$235,125,000	3.213%
4	NI	NiSource Inc.	5/3/2017	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$10,000,000	\$57,950	\$10,057,950	\$500,000,000	2.012%
5	NWN	e	6/4/2019	1,250,000	\$67.00	\$2.17750	\$2,721,875	\$400,000	\$3,121,875	\$83,750,000	3.728%
6	OGS	ONE Gas, Inc.		11.01-01-	AAC	<b>#1 00000</b>	N/A	<b>#7</b> 00 000	<b>#10.055</b>	<b>***</b>	0.04.5-1
7	SJI	South Jersey Industries	4/20/2018	11,016,949	\$29.50	\$1.03250	\$11,375,000	\$700,000	\$12,075,000	\$324,999,996	3.715%
8		Southwest Gas	11/28/2018	3,100,000	\$75.50	\$2.54810	\$7,899,110	\$600,000	\$8,499,110	\$234,050,000	3.631%
9	SR	Spire Inc.	5/9/2018	2,000,000	\$63.05	\$2.10938	\$4,218,760	\$325,000	\$4,543,760	\$126,100,000	3.603%
10	UGI	UGI Corporation	3/18/2004	8,625,000	\$32.10	\$1.40440	\$12,112,950	\$1,149,550	\$13,262,500	\$276,862,500	4.790%
		Average									3.324%

#### Average - Electric & Gas

Column Notes:

(1-4) SEC Form 424B for each company.

(5) Column (2) \* Column (4)

(6) SEC Form 424B for each company.

(7) Column (5) + Column (6)

(8) Column (2) \* Column (3)

(9) Column (7) / Column (8)

Note (a): Underwriting discount computed as the difference between the current market price and the price offered to the issuing company by the underwriters.

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### **DIVIDEND YIELD**

			(a)	(b)	
	Company	Industry Group	Price	<b>Dividends</b>	<b>Yield</b>
1	Allstate Corp.	Insurance (Prop/Cas.)	\$ 111.29	\$ 2.00	1.8%
2	Altria Group	Tobacco	\$ 50.27	\$ 3.36	6.7%
3	Amdocs Ltd.	IT Services	\$ 71.31	\$ 1.14	1.6%
4	Amer. Tower 'A'	Wireless Networking	\$ 220.15	\$ 4.42	2.0%
5	AT&T Inc.	Telecom. Services	\$ 38.56	\$ 2.08	5.4%
6	AvalonBay Communities	R.E.I.T.	\$ 210.11	\$ 6.40	3.0%
7	Bristol-Myers Squibb	Drug	\$ 62.29	\$ 1.80	2.9%
8	Brown-Forman 'B'	Beverage	\$ 66.13	\$ 0.70	1.1%
9	Campbell Soup	Food Processing	\$ 48.18	\$ 1.40	2.9%
10	Cboe Global Markets	Brokers & Exchanges	\$ 118.29	\$ 1.44	1.2%
11	Church & Dwight	Household Products	\$ 69.87	\$ 0.91	1.3%
12	Clorox Co.	Household Products	\$ 151.68	\$ 4.24	2.8%
13	CME Group	Brokers & Exchanges	\$ 203.78	\$ 3.00	1.5%
14	Coca-Cola	Beverage	\$ 54.49	\$ 1.66	3.0%
15	Colgate-Palmolive	Household Products	\$ 68.36	\$ 1.72	2.5%
16	Equity Residential	R.E.I.T.	\$ 81.81	\$ 2.41	2.9%
17	Federal Rlty. Inv. Trust	R.E.I.T.	\$ 128.50	\$ 4.22	3.3%
18	Gen'l Mills	Food Processing	\$ 52.80	\$ 1.96	3.7%
19	Hershey Co.	Food Processing	\$ 147.25	\$ 3.20	2.2%
20	Hormel Foods	Food Processing	\$ 44.99	\$ 0.93	2.1%
21	Intercontinental Exch.	Brokers & Exchanges	\$ 93.09	\$ 1.10	1.2%
22	Johnson & Johnson	Med Supp Non-Invasive	\$ 142.77	\$ 3.80	2.7%
23	Kellogg	Food Processing	\$ 67.29	\$ 2.32	3.4%
24	Kimberly-Clark	Household Products	\$ 136.78	\$ 4.28	3.1%
25	Lilly (Eli)	Drug	\$ 126.57	\$ 2.96	2.3%
26	Lockheed Martin	Aerospace/Defense	\$ 392.84	\$ 9.60	2.4%
27	McCormick & Co.	Food Processing	\$ 168.99	\$ 2.48	1.5%
28	McDonald's Corp.	Restaurant	\$ 197.83	\$ 5.00	2.5%
29	PepsiCo, Inc.	Beverage	\$ 136.35	\$ 3.95	2.9%
30	Procter & Gamble	Household Products	\$ 124.12	\$ 2.98	2.4%
31	Public Storage	R.E.I.T.	\$ 211.13	\$ 8.40	4.0%
32	Realty Income Corp.	R.E.I.T.	\$ 73.98	\$ 2.80	3.8%
33	Republic Services	Environmental	\$ 89.30	\$ 1.65	1.8%
34	Smucker (J.M.)	Food Processing	\$ 104.08	\$ 3.56	3.4%
35	Sysco Corp.	Retail/Wholesale Food	\$ 83.78	\$ 1.80	2.1%
36	Verizon Communic.	Telecom. Services	\$ 60.72	\$ 2.46	4.1%
37	Walmart Inc.	Retail Store	\$ 118.98	\$ 2.16	1.8%
38	Waste Management	Environmental	\$ 113.20	\$ 2.05	1.8%
	Average				2.7%

(a) Average of closing prices for 30 trading days ended Jan. 10, 2020.

(b) The Value Line Investment Survey, *Summary & Index* (Jan. 3, 2019).

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## **GROWTH RATES**

		(a)	(b)	(c)		
		Earn	<b>Earnings Growth Rates</b>			
	Company	V Line	IBES	Zacks		
1	Allstate Corp.	10.50%	9.17%	8.33%		
2	Altria Group	8.50%	6.17%	6.40%		
3	Amdocs Ltd.	10.00%	5.50%	8.50%		
4	Amer. Tower 'A'	7.50%	22.80%	18.44%		
5	AT&T Inc.	5.50%	4.16%	4.42%		
6	AvalonBay Communities	n/a	2.54%	6.18%		
7	Bristol-Myers Squibb	9.00%	15.05%	13.36%		
8	Brown-Forman 'B'	14.50%	6.90%	7.50%		
9	Campbell Soup	2.00%	7.36%	5.95%		
10	Cboe Global Markets	14.50%	2.14%	5.91%		
11	Church & Dwight	9.00%	8.03%	8.70%		
12	Clorox Co.	3.50%	3.44%	5.08%		
13	CME Group	3.00%	6.09%	8.03%		
14	Coca-Cola	6.50%	5.08%	6.55%		
15	Colgate-Palmolive	5.50%	0.89%	4.34%		
16	Equity Residential	n/a	2.70%	6.18%		
17	Federal Rlty. Inv. Trust	n/a	6.70%	4.63%		
18	Gen'l Mills	4.50%	5.53%	7.00%		
19	Hershey Co.	7.00%	8.04%	7.00%		
20	Hormel Foods	10.50%	3.20%	6.06%		
21	Intercontinental Exch.	10.50%	9.49%	8.53%		
22	Johnson & Johnson	12.00%	5.87%	6.84%		
23	Kellogg	3.50%	-0.70%	6.00%		
24	Kimberly-Clark	7.50%	5.39%	5.49%		
25	Lilly (Eli)	12.00%	11.80%	11.31%		
26	Lockheed Martin	12.50%	13.55%	7.09%		
27	McCormick & Co.	8.00%	6.10%	7.05%		
28	McDonald's Corp.	8.50%	6.05%	8.42%		
29	PepsiCo, Inc.	6.50%	4.24%	6.99%		
30	Procter & Gamble	9.00%	8.37%	7.47%		
31	Public Storage	n/a	17.00%	3.58%		
32	Realty Income Corp.	n/a	5.45%	3.67%		
33	Republic Services	11.50%	8.40%	8.38%		
34	Smucker (J.M.)	3.50%	1.15%	2.50%		
35	Sysco Corp.	10.50%	8.33%	9.87%		
36	Verizon Communic.	4.00%	2.34%	3.22%		
37	Walmart Inc.	7.50%	5.18%	4.95%		
38	Waste Management	8.50%	8.25%	8.24%		

(a) The Value Line Investment Survey (various editions as of Jan. 10, 2020).

(b) www.finance.yahoo.com (retrieved Jan 13, 2020).

(c) www.zacks.com (retrieved Jan. 20, 2019).

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### DCF COST OF EQUITY ESTIMATES

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		(a)	(a)	(a)
	Company	V Line	IBES	Zacks
1	Allstate Corp.	12.3%	11.0%	10.1%
2	Altria Group	15.2%	12.9%	13.1%
3	Amdocs Ltd.	11.6%	7.1%	10.1%
4	Amer. Tower 'A'	9.5%	24.8%	20.4%
5	AT&T Inc.	10.9%	9.6%	9.8%
6	AvalonBay Communities	n/a	5.6%	9.2%
7	Bristol-Myers Squibb	11.9%	17.9%	16.2%
8	Brown-Forman 'B'	15.6%	8.0%	8.6%
9	Campbell Soup	4.9%	10.3%	8.9%
10	Cboe Global Markets	15.7%	3.4%	7.1%
11	Church & Dwight	10.3%	9.3%	10.0%
12	Clorox Co.	6.3%	6.2%	7.9%
13	CME Group	4.5%	7.6%	9.5%
14	Coca-Cola	9.5%	8.1%	9.6%
15	Colgate-Palmolive	8.0%	3.4%	6.9%
16	Equity Residential	n/a	5.6%	9.1%
17	Federal Rlty. Inv. Trust	n/a	10.0%	7.9%
18	Gen'l Mills	8.2%	9.2%	10.7%
19	Hershey Co.	9.2%	10.2%	9.2%
20	Hormel Foods	12.6%	5.3%	8.1%
21	Intercontinental Exch.	11.7%	10.7%	9.7%
22	Johnson & Johnson	14.7%	8.5%	9.5%
23	Kellogg	6.9%	2.7%	9.4%
24	Kimberly-Clark	10.6%	8.5%	8.6%
25	Lilly (Eli)	14.3%	14.1%	13.6%
26	Lockheed Martin	14.9%	16.0%	9.5%
27	McCormick & Co.	9.5%	7.6%	8.5%
28	McDonald's Corp.	11.0%	8.6%	10.9%
29	PepsiCo, Inc.	9.4%	7.1%	9.9%
30	Procter & Gamble	11.4%	10.8%	9.9%
31	Public Storage	n/a	21.0%	7.6%
32	Realty Income Corp.	n/a	9.2%	7.5%
33	Republic Services	13.3%	10.2%	10.2%
34	Smucker (J.M.)	6.9%	4.6%	5.9%
35	Sysco Corp.	12.6%	10.5%	12.0%
36	Verizon Communic.	8.1%	6.4%	7.3%
37	Walmart Inc.	9.3%	7.0%	6.8%
38	Waste Management	10.3%	10.1%	10.1%
	Average (b)	10.7%	9.4%	9.3%
	Midpoint (b,c)	10.9%	10.6%	10.2%

(a) Sum of dividend yield (Exhibit AMM-11, p. 1) and respective growth rate (Exhibit AMM-11, p. 2).

(b) Excludes highlighted figures.

(c) Average of low and high values.

### **CAPITAL STRUCTURE**

### **GAS GROUP**

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				Value Line	
		Year-End 2019 (a)		<b>Projected</b> (b)	
			Common		Common
	Company	Debt	Equity	Debt	Equity
1	Atmos Energy Corp.	38.0%	62.0%	40.0%	60.0%
2	Chesapeake Utilities	46.4%	53.6%	35.0%	65.0%
3	New Jersey Resources	50.1%	49.9%	43.5%	56.5%
4	NiSource Inc.	56.8%	43.2%	55.0%	45.0%
5	Northwest Natural	50.4%	49.6%	47.5%	52.5%
6	ONE Gas, Inc.	37.9%	62.1%	38.0%	62.0%
7	South Jersey Industries	64.1%	35.9%	56.0%	44.0%
8	Southwest Gas	49.6%	50.4%	43.5%	56.5%
9	Spire Inc.	45.5%	54.5%	45.0%	55.0%
	Average	48.7%	51.3%	44.8%	55.2%
	Average - Ex. High and Low	48.1%	51.9%	44.6%	55.4%

(a) SEC Form 10-K reports at fiscal year-end Sep. 30 for Atmos Energy, New Jersey Resources, and Spire Inc.; at fiscal year-end Dec. 31 for Chesapeake Utilities, NiSource, Northwest Natural, One Gas Inc., South Jersey Industries, and Southwest Gas.

<sup>(</sup>b) The Value Line Investment Survey (Feb. 28, 2020).