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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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obligations may continue. See Instruction

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** COCKLIN KIM R		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ATMOS ENERGY CORP [ATO]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
	(Month/		ate of Earliest Transaction nth/Day/Year) 08/2016				X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
DALLAS,	(Street) TX 75240			nendment, Date Original onth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tak	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acq	uired, Disposed	of, or Benefici	ially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	11/08/2016			M	39,305 (1)	A	\$ 73.29	364,916.12	D		
Common Stock	11/08/2016			F	16,489 (2)	D	\$ 73.29	348,427.12	D		
Common Stock								3,138.5189 (<u>3</u>)	I	By Retirement Savings Plan and Trust	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(4)</u>	11/08/2016		A	4,983	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	4,983	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
COCKLIN KIM R 5430 LBJ FREEWAY 1800 III LINCOLN CENTRE DALLAS, TX 75240	X		Chief Executive Officer				

Signatures

/s/Suzanne Johnson by POA

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Vesting of award of performance based restricted stock units pursuant to the 1998 Long-Term Incentive Plan of the Company.
- (2) Shares withheld pursuant to a tax withholding obligation under the 1998 Long-Term Incentive Plan of the Company.
- (3) To update end of period holdings as of October 31, 2016 under the Atmos Energy Corporation Retirement Savings Plan and Trust.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.
- (5) The restricted stock units will vest and be delivered to the reporting person three years from date of grant.

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