

ATMOS ENERGY CORP

Form 4

February 18, 2005

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction  
1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**FISCHER R EARL**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**5430 LBJ FREEWAY5430 LBJ  
FREEWAY, 1800 III LINCOLN  
CENTRE1800 III LINCOLN**

(Street)

DALLAS, TX 75240

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**ATMOS ENERGY CORP [ATO]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**02/18/2005**

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

Sr VP, Utility Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	02/16/2005		M		12,000	A	\$ 15.65	32,712	D
Common Stock	02/16/2005		M		20,000	A	\$ 16.31	52,712	D
Common Stock	02/16/2005		M		30,000	A	\$ 23.56	82,712	D
Common Stock	02/16/2005		M		26,000	A	\$ 22.68	108,712	D
Common Stock	02/16/2005		S		88,000	D	\$ 28.8698	20,712	D

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Common Stock	10,653.81 <sup>(1)</sup> I	ESOP Trust
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities 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)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.65	02/16/2005		M	12,000	<u>(2)</u>	03/06/2010	Common Stock	12,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.31	02/16/2005		M	20,000	<u>(3)</u>	04/30/2010	Common Stock	20,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.56	02/16/2005		M	30,000	<u>(4)</u>	03/05/2011	Common Stock	30,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.68	02/16/2005		M	26,000	<u>(5)</u>	03/06/2012	Common Stock	26,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

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1800 III LINCOLN CENTRE1800 III LINCOLN  
DALLAS, TX 75240

Sr VP, Utility Operations

## Signatures

Dwala Kuhn by 02/18/2005  
POA

\_\_Signature of Date  
Reporting 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) To update end of period holdings as of 1/31/05 under the Atmos Energy Corporation Retirement Savings Plan and Trust (formerly known as the Atmos Energy Corporation Employee Stock Ownership Plan and Trust.)
- (2) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 7, 2001.
- (3) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on May 1, 2001.
- (4) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 6, 2002.
- (5) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 7, 2003.

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