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Colorado Public Utilities Commission
1560 Broadway, Suite 250
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Re: Disclosure Letter, Docket No. 08I-420EG

Energy Outreach Colorado (“EOC”) submits this disclosure letter in Docket No. 08I-420EG pursuant to Commission Decision No. C08-0903, paragraph 21. This disclosure is being filed within two business days following a permitted *ex parte* communication with a Commissioner. As required, this disclosure letter states the time, date and place of the meeting, lists the persons attending, and contains a summary description of the topics discussed. No written materials were provided at the meeting.

This letter shall serve as disclosure of the communications between EOC and Commissioner Jim Tarpey that occurred from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. on October 21, 2008 at the offices of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”). Skip Arnold, Executive Director, Jennifer Gremmert, Deputy Director, and Mike McFadden, EOC Board Treasurer, represented EOC. Commission staff members Geri Santos-Rach, Jeff Ackermann, and Scott England also attended.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss options for implementing Senate Bill 07-22 (Section 40-3-106 C.R.S.) across all regulated gas and electric utilities. Various options for implementation of discounted gas and electric rate structures for vulnerable households were presented. EOC is considering advocating for a “Percent of Income” (“PIP”) rate structure for low-income households or other discount rate structure. Potential impacts for customers who would benefit from such rate structures were discussed as well as potential impacts on other customer classes. Discussion included how other rate designs (e.g. inclining block rates) would be handled under discount rate scenarios, and what impact those rate structures would have on a proposed PIP. As well, EOC talked about the status of similar programs in other states.

EOC sought guidance regarding the best procedural vehicle for moving forward, including participating in the Customer Incentive Docket.

Very truly yours,

Skip Arnold
Executive Director