

Decision No. R14-0509-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 14M-0110E

BLACK HILLS CORPORATION, TRI-STATE GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION ASSOCIATION, INC., PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO, IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSION RULE 3627 RELATED TO ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION FACILITIES PLANNING, CODE OF COLORADO REGULATIONS 723-3.

PROCEEDING NO. 13M-1167E

IN THE MATTER OF BLACK HILLS CORPORATION SENATE BILL 07-100 DESIGNATION OF ENERGY RESOURCE ZONES AND TRANSMISSION EXPANSION PLAN.

PROCEEDING NO. 13M-1183E

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO SENATE BILL 07-100 DESIGNATION OF ENERGY RESOURCE ZONES AND TRANSMISSION PLANNING REPORT.

**INTERIM DECISION OF
HEARING COMMISSIONER
PAMELA J. PATTON
SCHEDULING WORKSHOP**

Mailed Date: May 13, 2014

I. STATEMENT

1. By Decision No. C14-0186-I issued February 19, 2014, the Commission consolidated Proceeding Nos. 13M-1167E, 13M-1183E, and 14M-0110E in this proceeding and designated Commissioner Pamela J. Patton as Hearing Commissioner for consideration of the Senate Bill 07-100 Designation of Energy Resource Zones and Transmission Expansion Planning Report filed on October 31, 2013 by Black Hills/Colorado Electric Utility Company, LP

(Black Hills) in Proceeding No. 13M-1167E; Senate Bill 07-100 Designation of Energy Resource Zones and Transmission Planning Report filed on October 31, 2013, by Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service) in Proceeding No. 13M-1183E; and the Joint 10-Year Transmission Plan and Joint 20-Year Conceptual Scenario Report filed February 3, 2014 in Proceeding No. 14M-0110E, by Black Hills, Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc., and Public Service (collectively, Utilities), pursuant to Commission Rule 3627, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-3 of the Rules Regulating Electric Utilities.

2. By Decision No. C14-0186-I, the Commission also instructed interested parties to comment on the two Senate Bill (SB) 07-100 reports, the Joint 10-Year Transmission Plan, and the Joint 20-Year Conceptual Scenario Report on or before **March 28, 2014**, and ordered that the Utilities may file response comments on or before **April 25, 2014**.

3. By this Decision the Hearing Commissioner schedules a workshop to allow the Utilities and interested parties to clarify and discuss the content of the two SB 07-100 reports, the Joint 10-Year Transmission Plan, and the Joint 20-Year Conceptual Plan, in addition to comments and responses filed in this proceeding. The workshop is scheduled for June 9, 2014, from 10:00 a.m. to no later than 12:00 p.m. in Hearing Room A.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. A workshop will be convened on:

DATE: June 9, 2014

TIME: 10:00 a.m. to no later than 12:00 p.m.

PLACE: Commission Hearing Room A
1560 Broadway, 2nd Floor
Denver, Colorado 80202

2. This Decision is effective immediately.

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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PAMELA J. PATTON

Hearing Commissioner

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doug Dean". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Doug Dean,
Director