

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 20A-0082E

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF
COLORADO FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
FOR THE HIGH POINT SUBSTATION PROJECT.

**INTERIM DECISION OF
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
ROBERT I. GARVEY
ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
AND VACATING PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

Mailed Date: May 21, 2020

I. STATEMENT

1. On March 2, 2020 Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service) filed its Verified Application for approval of the High Point Distribution 230/13.8 kV, 50 Mega Volt Ampere Substation Project (Project), which includes approximately 3.5 miles of new 230 kV double-circuit transmission line that will tap into the existing 5277 Spruce-Green Valley 230 kV transmission line. Public Service also requests that, in granting this Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, the Commission make specific findings with respect to the reasonableness of the noise and magnetic field levels that result from operating the Project...

2. On April 2, 2020, the Colorado Office of Consumer Counsel (OCC) filed its Notice of Intervention of Right, Entry of Appearance, and Request for Hearing. The OCC is an intervenor as of right and a party in this proceeding. The OCC listed a series of issues they wish to investigate.

3. On April 6, 2020, Trial Staff of the Commission (Staff) timely filed its Notice of Intervention as of Right, Entry of Appearance, Notice Pursuant to Rule 1007(a) and Rule 1403(b), and Request for Hearing. The intervention is of right, and Staff is a party in this matter.

4. On April 15, 2020, by minute order, Proceeding No. 20A-0082E was referred to an Administrative Law Judge.

5. On April 27, 2020, by Decision No. R20-0300-I, a prehearing conference was scheduled for May 26, 2020.

6. On May 14, 2020, Public Service filed its Unopposed Motion to Adopt Procedural Schedule and Vacate Prehearing Conference, and Request for Waiver of Response Time (Unopposed Motion).

II. PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

7. In their Unopposed Motion, Public Service states the parties have agreed to the following procedural schedule:

Answer Testimony	July 2, 2020
Rebuttal/Cross Answer Testimony	August 5, 2020
Stipulations / Settlement	August 24, 2020
Corrected Testimony/Exhibits	August 26, 2020
Evidentiary Hearing	September 3-4, 2020
Statements of Position	September 18, 2020

8. The parties also agree that discovery served on a party at or after 3:00 p.m. on a Friday or the day before a holiday shall be deemed to be submitted on the next business day. In addition, state holidays will be excluded for the purpose of calculating due dates. Discovery

responses, except attachments, shall be served in a single document (*e.g.*, .doc, .docx, or .pdf) unless otherwise agreed to by the requesting and responding parties.

9. The proposed procedural schedule is acceptable and good cause is found for its adoption.

10. The prehearing conference scheduled for May 26, 2020 shall be vacated.

III. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The Unopposed Motion to Adopt Procedural Schedule and Vacate Prehearing Conference filed by Public Service Company of Colorado on May 14, 2020 is granted and response time is waived.

2. The prehearing conference scheduled for May 26, 2020 is vacated.

3. An evidentiary hearing in this matter is scheduled for the following date, at the following time, and in the following location:

DATES: September 3 and 4, 2020

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Commission Hearing Room
1560 Broadway, Suite 250
Denver, Colorado

4. The procedural schedule as stated above in ¶ 7 shall be adopted

5. The Parties shall be held to the advisements in this Decision.

6. This Decision is effective immediately.

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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

ROBERT I. GARVEY

Administrative Law Judge

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doug Dean".

Doug Dean,
Director