

Decision No. C24-0916

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 24AL-0049G

IN THE MATTER OF ADVICE LETTER NO. 1029 - GAS FILED BY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO TO REVISE ITS COLORADO P.U.C. NO. 6 - GAS TARIFF TO INCREASE JURISDICTIONAL BASE RATE REVENUES, IMPLEMENT NEW BASE RATES FOR ALL GAS RATE SCHEDULES, AND MAKE OTHER PROPOSED TARIFF CHANGES, TO BECOME EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 29, 2024.

**COMMISSION DECISION GRANTING APPLICATIONS
FOR REHEARING, REARGUMENT, OR
RECONSIDERATION OF DECISION NO. C24-0778 FOR
THE SOLE PURPOSE OF TOLLING THE STATUTORY
TIME LIMIT IN § 40-6-114(1), C.R.S.**

Issued Date: December 12, 2024

Adopted Date: December 11, 2024

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement

1. This matter comes before the Commission for consideration of the applications seeking rehearing, reargument, or reconsideration (“RRR Applications”) of Decision No. C24-0778, which the Commission issued on October 25, 2024. The RRR Applications were filed on November 14, 2024, by the following parties to this Proceeding: (1) Public Service Company of Colorado (“Public Service”); (2) Trial Staff of the Public Utilities Commission; and (3) the Office of the Utility Consumer Advocate.

2. By this Decision, we grant the RRR Applications for the sole purpose of tolling the 30-day statutory time limit in § 40-6-114(1), C.R.S., for the Commission to act upon such applications so that they will not be denied by operation of law.

B. Findings and Conclusions

3. Through Decision No. C24-0778, the Commission permanently suspended the effective date of the tariff sheets filed with Advice Letter No. 1029-Gas and ordered Public Service to file compliance tariffs with new base rates for retail gas service consistent with the findings and conclusions in the Decision. The Commission also directed Public Service to file a future advice letter tariff filing to further modify the base rate tariff sheets and other elements of its P.U.C. No. 6-Gas Tariff.

4. Consistent with the statutory time limit in § 40-6-114(1), C.R.S., and the procedures in Rule 1506 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-1, any applications for RRR were due within 20 days after Decision No. C24-0778 became effective.

5. Pursuant to § 40-6-114(1), C.R.S., we are required to consider and act upon any application for RRR within 30 days of its filing (in this case by December 16, 2024) or the application will be denied by operation of law. We find that, due to the number and complexity of the issues presented in the RRR Applications, as well as the press of business at the Commission, the Commission requires further time to consider the RRR Applications and to prepare its written decision. Therefore, to preclude a denial by operation of law, we grant the RRR Applications for the sole purpose of tolling the statutory time limit.

6. This grant is procedural, and undertaken only to toll the statutory time limit in § 40-6-114(1), C.R.S. We will take up the merits of the RRR Applications at a forthcoming Commissioners' Deliberations Meeting or Commissioners' Weekly Meeting and thereafter issue a separate decision ruling upon the merits of the RRR Applications.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. The Application for Rehearing, Reargument, or Reconsideration of Decision No. C24-0778, filed on November 14, 2024, by Public Service Company of Colorado, is granted, consistent with the discussion above.

2. The Application for Rehearing, Reargument, or Reconsideration of Decision No. C24-0778, filed on November 14, 2024, by Trial Staff of the Public Utilities Commission, is granted, consistent with the discussion above.

3. The Application for Rehearing, Reargument, or Reconsideration of Decision No. C24-0778, filed on November 14, 2024, by the Office of the Utility Consumer Advocate, is granted, consistent with the discussion above.

4. This Decision is effective upon its Issued Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
December 11, 2024.**

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