Decision No. C14-0672

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 14A-0292G

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF COLORADO NATURAL GAS, INC. FOR AN ORDER APPROVING TARIFF SHEETS IMPLEMENTING A DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

# DECISION GRANTING APPLICATION AND APPROVING ANNUAL DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT COST ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE

Mailed Date: June 25, 2014 Adopted Date: June 25, 2014

## I. BY THE COMMISSION

#### A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions

- 1. This matter comes before the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (Commission) for consideration of an application, as amended, for approval of Colorado Natural Gas Inc.'s (CNG or Company) tariff sheets that adjust its annual Gas Demand Side Management Cost Adjustment (G-DSMCA), which rates are requested to take effect on July 1, 2014 for a period of 12 months.
- 2. Pursuant to Commission Rule 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* (CCR) 723-4-4752(b), Rules Regulating Gas Utilities and Pipeline Operators, CNG is required to file, among other items, a Demand Side Management Cost Adjustment (DSMCA) filing beginning April 1, 2010 and each April 1 thereafter. The DSMCA is to take effect July 1 of each year for a period of 12 months.
- 3. CNG's application for its 2014 through 2016 DSM Plan, was filed under Proceeding No. 13A-0467G and was approved in Decision No. C13-0793 on June 27, 2013.

- 4. On April 1, 2014, CNG filed in this proceeding, Proceeding No. 14A-0292G, its application for Commission approval of its revised annual G-DSMCA to take effect on July 1, 2014 for a period of 12 months.
- 5. On May 23, 2014, CNG filed an amended application. The amended application was filed to correct the \$/therm value used in the calculation of the acknowledgement of revenue and to make a correction to an incorrect cell reference in the workpapers attached as Exhibits 1 through 6 to the application.
- 6. The DSMCA factor includes: 1) the estimated cost of the Company's 2014 plan filed in Proceeding No. 13A-0467G and approved in Decision No. C13-0793; 2) the deferred cost (true-up) from previous DSM plans; and 3) the 2013 acknowledgement of lost revenue, for a total requested recovery of \$92,778 from the residential class and \$1,413 from the Nonresidential class. CNG did not apply for a DSM bonus pursuant to Rule 4754.
- 7. No petitions to intervene were filed regarding the application. The Commission has the authority determine any application without the necessity of a formal oral hearing under its modified procedure in accordance with § 40-6-109(5), C.R.S., and Rule of Practice and Procedure 4 CCR 723-1-1403.
- 8. The application contains all required information. It was deemed complete by operation of Rule 4 CCR 723-1-1303(b)(III).
- 9. Based on all of the above, we find good cause to grant the application, as amended.

## II. ORDER

#### **A.** The Commission Orders That:

- 1. The application filed by Colorado Natural Gas, Inc. (CNG) on April 1, 2014, for approval of its revised annual Gas Demand-Side Management Cost Adjustment is granted.
  - 2. CNG's Revised Tariff Sheet 28E, submitted May 23, 2014, is approved.
- 3. Pursuant to Rule 1206(1), 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* (CCR) 723-1 and Rule 4109(b)(III), 4 CCR 723-4, CNG is authorized to file, in a new proceeding and on not less than one business day's notice, the tariffs attached as Exhibit 1 to its amended application. The tariffs shall become effective July 1, 2014.
- 4. The 20-day period provided for in § 40-6-114, C.R.S., within which to file applications for rehearing, reargument, or reconsideration, begins on the first day following the effective date of this Decision.
  - 5. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

# B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING June 25, 2014.



ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Doug Dean, Director THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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