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

PROCEEDING NO. 14AL-0393E

IN THE MATTER OF ADVICE LETTER NO. 680 FILED BY BLACK HILLS/COLORADO ELECTRIC UTILITY COMPANY, LP TO REVISE ITS COLORADO PUC NO. 9 ELECTRIC TARIFF TO IMPLEMENT A GENERAL RATE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT TO INCREASE RATES, A NEW RIDER PURSUANT TO THE CLEAN AIR-CLEAN JOBS ACT, AND OTHER CHANGES, PROPOSED TO BE EFFECTIVE ON MAY 31, 2014.

# INTERIM DECISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE ROBERT I. GARVEY GRANTING MOTION TO WITHDRAW INTERVENTION AND PETITION FOR AMICUS CURIAE STATUS

Mailed Date: July 16, 2014

### I. STATEMENT

- 1. On April 30, 2014, Black Hills/Colorado Electric Utility Company, LP (Black Hills) filed Advice Letter No. 680. Black Hills submitted Advice Letter No. 680 with supporting testimony and exhibits.
- 2. By Decision No. C14-0522, issued May 16, 2014, the effective date of the Advice Letter was suspended until September 28, 2014. The matter was also referred to an administrative law judge for disposition.
- 3. The procedural history of this proceeding is set out in previous Decisions and is repeated here as necessary to put this Decision in context.
- 4. On June 13, 2014, the City of Pueblo, Colorado (the City) timely filed a Petition to Intervene. The City stated that it is a municipal governmental entity and obtains electricity from Black Hills.

- 5. By Interim Decision No. R14-0549-I, issued May 22, 2014, a prehearing conference was scheduled for June 17, 2014.
  - 6. The City failed to appear for the prehearing conference.
- 7. By Interim Decision No. R14-0723-I, issued June 26, 2014, the City was ordered to make a show cause filing by July 3, 2014, if it still intended to intervene in the above captioned proceeding.
- 8. On June 27, 2014, the City filed its Motion for Permission to Withdraw its Petition to Intervene and Petition for *Amicus Curiae* Status (Motion).
  - 9. No response has been filed to the City's Motion.
  - 10. Good cause being found for the Motion, it shall be granted.

#### II. ORDER

#### A. It Is Ordered That:

- 1. The Motion for Permission to Withdraw its Petition to Intervene and Petition for *Amicus Curiae* Status filed by the City of Pueblo, Colorado (the City) is granted.
  - 2. The Petition to Intervene filed by the City on June 13, 2014, is withdrawn.
  - 3. The City is granted *Amicus Curiae* status.

4. This Decision is effective immediately.



ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Doug Dean, Director

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

ROBERT I. GARVEY

Administrative Law Judge