Decision No. R14-0847-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 14A-0580E

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO FOR AN ORDER APPROVING REGULATORY TREATMENT OF MARGINS EARNED FROM CERTAIN TYPES OF RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDIT AND ENERGY TRANSACTIONS.

INTERIM DECISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE MANA L. JENNINGS-FADER GRANTING PETITION TO INTERVENE

Mailed Date: July 17, 2014

I. <u>STATEMENT</u>

- 1. On May 30, 2014, Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service) filed a Verified Application that seeks Commission approval of Public Service's requested regulatory treatment for the margins that it expects to earn in connection with certain types of energy transactions. That filing commenced this Proceeding.
- 2. On June 3, 2014, the Commission issued its Notice of Application Filed (Notice). That Notice established an intervention period, which has expired.
- 3. On July 9, 2014, by Minute Order, the Commission referred this matter to an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ).
- 4. Trial Staff of the Commission (Staff) and the Colorado Office of Consumer Counsel (OCC) are Parties in this Proceeding.

- 5. On July 2, 2014, Western Resource Advocates (WRA) timely filed its Petition for Leave to Intervene (Petition). WRA seeks leave to intervene pursuant to Rule 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* (CCR) 723-1-1401(c).¹
- 6. In the Petition, WRA states: (a) it is an environmental advocacy organization and that no party in this Proceeding will represent adequately the interests for which WRA advocates; (b) it has members and financial supporters who are customers of Public Service; and (c) it has a substantial and direct interest in this Proceeding due to the subject matter. WRA also states that its participation will not broaden the issues and will not delay the proceedings.
- 7. Response time to the Petition expired on July 16, 2014. No party filed a response. The Petition is unopposed. In addition, pursuant to Rule 4 CCR 723-1-1400(d), the ALJ deems the Petition to be confessed.
- 8. The ALJ finds that the Petition states good cause and that granting the unopposed Petition will not prejudice any party. By this Interim Decision, the ALJ will grant the Petition and will permit WRA to intervene as a party in this Proceeding.
- 9. OCC, Staff, and WRA, collectively, are the Intervenors. Public Service and Intervenors, collectively, are the Parties.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The Petition for Leave to Intervene filed on July 2, 2014 by Western Resource Advocates is granted.

¹ This Rule is found in the Rules of Practice and Procedure, Part 1 of 4 Code of Colorado Regulations 723.

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- 2. Western Resource Advocates is granted leave to intervene and is a party in this Proceeding.
- 3. The Parties are held to the advisements in the Interim Decisions issued in this Proceeding.
 - 4. This Interim Decision is effective immediately.

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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

MANA L. JENNINGS-FADER

Administrative Law Judge