



November 9, 2015

MAY REQUIRE COMPANY ACTION

TO: All Telecommunications, Energy, and Water Public Utilities in the State of Colorado and Other Related Entities

RE: Interest Rate to be Paid on Customer Deposits for the Year 2016.

Many public utilities offering telephone, energy, and water services to residential and commercial customers in the State of Colorado have provisions in their tariffs that allow the utility to require customers to maintain a deposit with the utility to ensure payment of services. If the utility requires such deposits, it is required to pay simple interest on those customer deposits as prescribed by Commission rules.

**For calendar year 2015, the rate was 0.34%.
 For calendar year 2016 the rate will remain at 0.34%
 (The basis point differential is less than 25 points)**

Jurisdictional utilities are reminded that it might be necessary to file a compliance advice letter to amend their tariffs. If it is necessary to file a tariff change, the Commission expects the filing on or before December 29, 2015 with an effective date of January 1, 2016. Filing this compliance letter during the month of November would be greatly appreciated.

Failure to file the required compliance on or before December 29, 2015 will be viewed as an intentional violation of Commission fining Rules 4 Code of Colorado Regulations (CCR) 723-2-2895, 723-3-3976, 723-4-4976, or 723-5-5420 and the company could be subject to a fine of up to \$500.00.

For additional information and to facilitate any tariff changes, the Commission entered the corresponding Decisions.

Electric Utilities	Decision No. C15-1161
Gas Utilities	Decision No. C15-1162
Water Utilities	Decision No. C15-1164
Telecommunication Providers	Decision No. C15-1163

Please reference the respective Commission Decision Number on the tariffs accompanying your advice letter. The advice letter filing is a compliance filing.

Please submit your advice letter as a NEW Advice Letter filing. DO NOT file your advice letter in the Proceeding associated with the above listed decisions.

If you have any questions regarding the applicability of the interest rate on deposits, the manner in which the rate is calculated, or any other issues relating to this web posting, please contact Sandi Kahl of Commission Staff at 303-894-2873 or sandi.kahl@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Doug Dean, Director

