Decision No. C19-0796-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 17M-0204E

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSION'S REVIEW OF THE RESIDENTIAL TIME-OF-USE TRIAL AND DEMAND RATE PILOT IMPLEMENTED BY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO.

INTERIM DECISION SCHEDULING COMMISSIONERS' INFORMATION MEETING

Mailed Date:September 26, 2019Adopted Date:September 25, 2019

I. <u>BY THE COMMISSION</u>

A. Statement

1. By this Decision, the Commission schedules a Commissioners' Information Meeting (CIM) to be held on October 21, 2019.

B. Discussion

2. By Decision No. C16-1075, issued November 23, 2016 in Consolidated Proceeding Nos. 16AL-0048E, 16A-0055E, and 16A-0139E, the Commission authorized Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service or Company) to proceed with its Residential Demand Time-Differentiated-Rate Pilot (RD-TDR Pilot) to test a form of demand rates for residential customers and its Residential Energy Time-of-Use Trial (RE-TOU Trial) to begin the implementation of time-of-use rates for residential customers. Under the terms of the Settlement Agreement approved by Decision No. C16-1075, Public Service must file an advice letter no later than December 2, 2019. Public Service must include in that advice letter filing all results of the Company's analysis of the RE-TOU Trial.

3. By Decision No. C17-0257, issued on April 3, 2017, the Commission opened this proceeding to serve as a repository for data and information related to the RD-TDR Pilot and the RE-TOU Trial.

4. On September 23, 2019, Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a Motion for Commissioner Information Meeting. Staff explains that it obtained a grant award from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to receive technical assistance to support the Commission's ongoing work on TOU rate design and potential customer and system impacts. Staff suggests that it would be beneficial for the Commission to hear directly again from one of the researchers made available to Staff through this DOE grant from the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL). During the proposed CIM, Peter Cappers would provide updated information about TOU rates across the country, along with a summary of the most current research regarding TOU rate design.

5. Staff also suggests that it would be beneficial for the Commissioners to hear from members of other rate regulatory jurisdictions that have implemented TOU energy rates. To that end, Staff has arranged for Randy Reuscher of City of Fort Collins Utilities, Eric Bell of Nexant who is an expert on TOU rate implementation in California, and Jessica King of Oklahoma Gas & Electric Co. to engage in a panel discussion relating to their experiences with TOU rates.

C. Discussion

6. We schedule a CIM for October 21, 2019. As suggested by Staff, we invite Peter Cappers of LBNL to present updated information about TOU rates across the country and to provide a summary of the most current research regarding TOU rate design. We also invite Randy Reuscher, Eric Bell, and Jessica King to participate in a panel discussion of the TOU as proposed by Staff.

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7. We direct Staff to coordinate with Advisory Staff to develop an agenda for this CIM in the Commission's standard format. The agenda shall identify: the purpose of the meeting; the date, start time, and location; and the specific topics of the presenters.

8. Finally, we delegate the direction of the CIM to Staff.

II. <u>ORDER</u>

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. Consistent with the discussion above, a Commissioners' Information Meeting is scheduled as follows:

- DATE: October 21, 2019
- TIME: 9:00 a.m.
- PLACE: Commission Hearing Room 1560 Broadway, Suite 250 Denver, Colorado
- 2. This Decision is effective upon its Mailed Date.

B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING September 25, 2019.



ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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