Decision No. C19-0920

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

PROCEEDING NO. 19L-0626G

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF COLORADO NATURAL GAS, INC. FOR AUTHORITY TO REFLECT A CHANGE IN ITS LOW INCOME TARIFF IN COMPLIANCE WITH DECISION NO. C19-0847 ON LESS THAN 30 DAYS' NOTICE AND WITHOUT FORMAL HEARING.

### COMMISSION DECISION AUTHORIZING TARIFF CHANGE

Mailed Date: November 13, 2019 Adopted Date: November 13, 2019

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

#### A. Statement

- 1. On November 8, 2019, Colorado Natural Gas, Inc. (CNG or Applicant) filed an application seeking a Commission decision authorizing it to file tariff sheets on November 13, 2019, without a formal hearing and on less-than-statutory notice. The proposed tariffs are to go into effect on November 18, 2019. The application contains all materials required by the Commission's rules, and is therefore deemed complete.
- 2. The proposed tariff sheets are attached to the application and affect the Applicant's customers in its Colorado certified areas on file with the Commission.
- 3. This Application for authority to change tariffs is made pursuant to § 40-3-104(2), C.R.S., and Rule 4002(a)(VIII) and Rule 4109(b)(II) of the Rules Regulating Gas Utilities and Pipeline Operators, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-4.

# **B.** Findings and Conclusions

- 4. The Application contains all of the information required by Commission Rules and is therefore deemed complete.
- 5. Applicant is an operating public utility subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission and is engaged in, *inter alia*, the distribution of natural gas for public uses in various certificated areas within the State of Colorado.
- 6. The proposed tariffs are attached to this Decision as Appendix A. The tariff sheets modify language pertaining to CNG's low-income program. CNG requested the expedited basis in order to avoid any disruption in the administration of the Company's low-income program during the heating season.
- 7. The Commission finds good cause to allow the proposed tariff sheets to go into effect on less-than-statutory notice. CNG is to file the new tariffs complying with this Decision not less than two business days' notice.

### II. ORDER

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

- 1. The application filed by Colorado Natural Gas, Inc. (CNG) on November 8, 2019, is deemed complete.
- 2. The application for authority to change tariffs on less-than-statutory notice is granted.
- 3. CNG shall file a new advice letter and tariff on not less than two business days' notice. The advice letter and tariff shall be filed as a new advice letter proceeding and shall comply with all applicable rules. In calculating the proposed effective date, the date the filing is received at the Commission is not included in the notice period and the entire notice period must

expire prior to the effective date. The advice letter and tariff must comply in all substantive respects to this Decision in order to be filed as a compliance filing on shortened notice. These tariffs shall be effective for actual gas sales on or after their effective date of November 18, 2019.

- 4. The 20-day time period provided by § 40-6-114, C.R.S., to file an application for rehearing, reargument, or reconsideration shall begin on the first day after the effective date of this Decision.
  - 5. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.
  - B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING November 13, 2019.

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