Decision No. C20-0699-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 20AL-0388G

IN THE MATTER OF ADVICE NO. 972-GAS OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO TO REVISE ITS COLORADO PUC NO. 6-GAS TARIFF TO MAKE CLEAN-UP AND OTHER MINOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICE-RELATED CHANGES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 22, 2020.

INTERIM COMMISSION DECISION GRANTING REQUEST FOR ALTERNATIVE FORM OF NOTICE

Mailed Date: October 2, 2020 Adopted Date: September 30, 2020

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

A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions

- 1. On September 21, 2020, Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service) filed this Motion for Alternative Form of Notice (Motion). By Advice Letter No. 972-Gas, also filed on September 21, 2020, the company seeks to revise its No. 6-Gas tariff with the revisions becoming effective October 22, 2020.
- 2. Public Service states that it is seeking authority under § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(E), C.R.S., and Rule 1207(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-1, to provide alternative forms of public notice about the revision. The company seeks approval to use the following forms of notice:
 - (a) publishing a legal notice (Attachment 1 to its Motion) and a copy of the filing on its website;
 - (b) Sending the Legal Notice and a courtesy copy of the filing via electronic mail to all parties to the 2019 Gas Phase II Rate Case (Proceeding No. 19AL-0309G) and 2020 Gas Rate Case (Proceeding No. 20AL-0049G) within the first twenty days of the thirty-day period prior to the effective date of this change; and

- (c) Posting a separate notice of the filing on the Company's transportation Electronic Bulletin Board ("EBB") website within the Gas Transportation System ("GTS") operating system. The form of this extra notice, which provides a short description of the changes and a link to the posted Legal Notice, is included as Attachment 2 to this Motion (the "Transportation Notice").
- 3. Public Service states that the proposed forms of notice will best provide notification to the only customers affected by these changes, its transport customers. It states that all users registered for the GTS system will receive automatic notification of the notice, and that all transport customers can access the notice via the EBB. Public Service also states that given the small number of customers affected, other forms of notice, such as publication in The Denver Post are not cost effective.
- 4. Pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(E), C.R.S., and 4 Code of Colorado Regulations 723-1-1207(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a utility may request to provide an alternative form of notice of proposed tariff changes. We find that the alternative forms of notice Public Service proposes in its Motion will provide sufficient notice to the limited number of affected customers and will do so efficiently. We therefore find good cause to approve the alternative forms of notice Public Service requests.

II. **ORDER**

A. It Is Ordered That:

- 1. The Motion for Approval of Alternative Form of Notice filed on September 21, 2020, is granted.
 - 2. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING September 30, 2020.



ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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