Decision No. R20-0666-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 20A-0284G

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF COLORADO NATURAL GAS, INC. FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING IT TO PUT INTO EFFECT A SYSTEM SAFETY AND INTEGRITY RIDER.

INTERIM DECISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE MELODY MIRBABA MODIFYING DEADLINE TO FILE CROSS-ANSWER TESTIMONY

Mailed Date: September 17, 2020

I. <u>STATEMENT AND BACKGROUND</u>

1. Only the procedural history necessary to understand this Decision is included. Colorado Natural Gas Inc. (CNG) initiated this matter by filing the above-captioned Application on June 26, 2020.

2. During its weekly meeting held on August 12, 2020, the Commission referred the matter to an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) for disposition, and directed the ALJ to address what information CNG must present to justify costs eligible for recovery for its System Safety and Integrity Rider projects. *See* Decision No. C20-0610-I issued August 19, 2020.

3. Colorado Public Utilities Commission Trial Staff and the Office of Consumer Counsel are the only interveners in this matter.

4. On August 31, 2020, the ALJ scheduled the matter for an evidentiary hearing for December 3, 2020, and established a procedural schedule and process for conducting the hearing. Decision No. R20-0633-I. As relevant here, the following deadlines were established: supplemental testimony due by September 18, 2020; answer testimony due by October 16, 2020;

cross-answer testimony due by October 23, 2020; and rebuttal testimony due by November 16, 2020.

5. The October 23, 2020 deadline to file cross-answer testimony is an error which this Decision corrects.¹ Cross-answer testimony will be due on November 16, 2020.

6. This Decision does not modify or alter any other aspect of Decision No. R20-0633-I.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. Consistent with the above discussion, cross-answer testimony must be filed and served by November 16, 2020.

2. This Decision is effective immediately.



THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

MELODY MIRBABA

Administrative Law Judge

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¹ In addition, requiring cross-answer testimony on October 23, 2020 does not permit sufficient time for the parties to conduct discovery after answer testimony is filed.