

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 23AL-0243E

IN THE MATTER OF ADVICE LETTER NO. 1923 - ELECTRIC FILED BY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO TO REVISE ITS COLORADO P.U.C. NO. 8 - ELECTRIC TARIFF TO PLACE INTO EFFECT REVISED BASE RATES AND OTHER AFFECTED CHARGES FOR ALL ELECTRIC RATE SCHEDULES BY ELIMINATING THE GENERAL RATE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT (GRSA) AND GENERAL RATE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT - ENERGY (GRSA-E) AS WILL BE ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION IN PROCEEDING NO. 22AL-0530E, TO INITIATE TIME-DIFFERENTIATED GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION DEMAND CHARGES FOR SECONDARY GENERAL SERVICE (SCHEDULE SG) AND SECONDARY GENERAL CRITICAL PEAK PRICING SERVICE (SCHEDULE SG-CPP), TO INTRODUCE NEW ELECTRIC VEHICLE RATE OPTIONS FOR CUSTOMERS TAKING SERVICE AT THE PRIMARY DISTRIBUTION LEVEL, TO ADJUST THE PRIMARY GENERAL CRITICAL PEAK PRICING AND SECONDARY PHOTOVOLTAIC TIME-OF-USE SERVICE SECTION TIME-DIFFERENTIATED DEMAND CHARGES, TO MAKE SEVERAL ADMINISTRATIVE REVISIONS, AND TO RECEIVE APPROVAL OF DEFERRED ACCOUNTING TREATMENT FOR RATE CASE EXPENSES, TO BECOME EFFECTIVE JUNE 15, 2023.

**INTERIM COMMISSION DECISION GRANTING
MOTION FOR ALTERNATIVE FORM OF NOTICE**

Mailed Date: May 24, 2023

Adopted Date: May 24, 2023

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions

1. On May 15, 2023, Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service or Company) filed a Motion for Commission Approval of an Alternative Form of Notice (Motion) to apply to the Company's Advice Letter No. 1923-Electric and tariff filing, its Phase II electric rate case, through which the Company, among other things, proposes to eliminate the proposed General Rate Schedule Adjustment (GRSA) and General Rate Schedule Adjustment-Energy (GRSA-E)

that are currently being considered in Proceeding No. 22AL-0530E (the Company's 2022 Phase I electric rate case); place into effect revised base rates for all electric rate schedules; and otherwise make rate schedule and tariff changes to the Company's currently effective P.U.C. No. 8-Electric Tariff.

2. Public Service moves pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(D), C.R.S., and Rule 1207(b), 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* (CCR) 723-1, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, to provide alternative forms of notice for the Company's filing to its customers. Public Service requests Commission approval to use the following forms of notice:

- Posting the legal notice on the Company's public website and keeping the filing open for public inspection pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I), C.R.S., and posting a public version of the 2023 Phase II electric rate case filing in its entirety.
- Publishing a legal notice in *The Denver Post* for two consecutive weeks, consistent with § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(A), C.R.S.
- Providing a bill insert to Public Service's retail electric customers with all mailed and e-billed customer bills during a regular billing cycle over the course of approximately five weeks.
- Sending an e-mail to all retail electric customers for whom the Company has an e-mail address and who have elected to receive e-mail notifications from the Company within 20 days of the 30-day noticing period.
- Providing electronic notification of the 2023 Phase II electric rate case filing to parties included on the 2022 Phase I electric rate case (Proceeding No. 22AL-0530E) certificate of service.

3. Public Service maintains that good cause exists for the Commission to approve the proposed alternative forms of notice, because the proposed procedure is less costly than the procedures prescribed by statute, and because newspaper notice provides nearly all customers the opportunity to obtain notice of the filing in a timely manner. Public Service states the alternative form of notice will include bill inserts, sufficiently notifying parties who may be interested in

reviewing the Company's 2023 Phase II electric rate case filing and proposed rates. The Company seeks approval of these alternative forms of notice to avoid incurring expenses entailed in other forms of statutory notice.

4. Pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(E), C.R.S., and Rule 1207(b), 4 CCR 723-1, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a utility may request to provide alternative forms of notice of a rate change. We find the alternative forms of notice the Company proposes in the Motion will provide sufficient notice to its customers and will do so efficiently. We therefore find good cause to approve the alternative forms of notice that the Company requests.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The Motion for Commission Approval of an Alternative Form of Notice, filed by Public Service Company of Colorado on May 15, 2023, is granted.

2. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
May 24, 2023.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Rebecca E. White'.

Rebecca E. White,
Director

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