Decision No. C23-0678-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 23A-0392EG

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO FOR APPROVAL OF ITS 2024-2028 CLEAN HEAT PLAN.

INTERIM COMMISSION DECISION ADDRESSING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE SUPPLEMENTAL DIRECT

Mailed Date: October 10, 2023 Adopted Date: October 9, 2023

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

A. Statement

1. By this Decision, the Commission grants Public Service Company of Colorado's (Public Service or the Company) Motion for a Variance from Decision No. C23-0626 to Extend the Filing Date for Supplemental Direct Testimony (Public Service Motion for Variance). The Commission sets October 17, 2023 as the new deadline for supplemental direct testimony.

B. Background

2. On August 1, 2023, Public Service Company filed its Clean Heat Plan Application which requests the Commission approve the Company's 2024-2028 Clean Heat Plan (Application).

3. By Decision No. C23-0626, the Commission granted requests for permissive intervention filed by the City and County of Denver (Denver), the City of Boulder (Boulder), City of Pueblo, County of Pueblo, Project Canary, PBC (Project Canary), the Colorado Energy

Consumers (CEC), Holy Cross Electric Association, Inc. (Holy Cross), Black Hills Colorado Gas, Inc. (Black Hills), Natural Resources Defense Council and Sierra Club (collectively, the Conservation Coalition), the Colorado Renewable Energy Society (CRES) and Physicians for Social Responsibility (PSR-CO), Western Resource Advocates (WRA), the Southwest Energy Efficiency Project (SWEEP), Energy Outreach Colorado (EOC), the Colorado Solar and Storage Association (COSSA) and the Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA), Chevron, Occidental Petroleum, and Williams (collectively, the Decarbonization Coalition), Denver Pipefitters, Local 208 (Pipefitters), and Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 720 (Local 720). The Commission acknowledged the notices of intervention of right filed by Trial Staff of the Commission (Staff), the Office of the Utility Consumer Advocate (UCA), and the Colorado Energy Office (CEO).

4. Also by Decision No. C23-0626, the Commission ordered Public Service to address numerous topics through supplemental direct testimony. The Commission set October 10, 2023 as the deadline for supplemental direct testimony.

5. On October 6, 2023, Public Service filed a motion for variance from Decision No. C23-0626 to extend the filing date for supplemental direct testimony to October 17, 2023, and requested a waiver of response time.

C. Findings and Conclusions

6. On October 6, 2023, Public Service filed a motion for variance from Decision No. C23-0626 to extend the filing date for supplemental direct testimony to October 17, 2023, and a waiver of response time. It states that the motion is unopposed.

7. The current deadline for supplemental direct is October 10, 2023. Public Service requests, pursuant to Rule 4 CCR 723-1-1003(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and

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Procedure, that the Commission extend the deadline to October 17, 2023. Public Service states that good cause exists because relevant Company personnel have been engaged in responding to discovery from multiple intervenors in this proceeding, addressing the Partial Summary Judgment Motion, as well as preparing for multiple Commission deadlines in other proceedings.

8. We find good cause, pursuant to Rule 4 CCR 723-1-1003(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, to extend the deadline to October 17, 2023, for the Company to file the supplemental direct testimony required by Commission Decision No. C23-0626.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The Commission grants Public Service Company of Colorado's (Public Service) Motion for a Variance from Decision No. C23-0626 to Extend the Filing Date for Supplemental Direct Testimony (Public Service Motion for Variance). Public Service shall file supplemental direct testimony, as required by Commission Decision No. C23-0626, no later than October 17, 2023. Decision No. C23-0678-I

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- 2. This Decision is effective upon its Mailed Date.
- B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' DELIBERATIONS MEETING October 9, 2023.



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