

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 22A-0230E

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BLACK HILLS COLORADO ELECTRIC, LLC FOR (1) APPROVAL OF ITS 2022 ELECTRIC RESOURCE PLAN AND CLEAN ENERGY PLAN, AND (2) APPROVAL OF ITS 2023-2026 RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARD COMPLIANCE PLAN.

**INTERIM COMMISSION DECISION GRANTING
UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE REPORT**

Issued Date: August 15, 2025

Adopted Date: August 13, 2025

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions

1. Black Hills Colorado Electric, LLC (“Black Hills”) filed its 2024 Renewable Energy Standard (“RES”) Compliance Report on June 2, 2025.

2. On August 11, 2025, Trial Staff of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (“Trial Staff”) filed an unopposed motion to extend the time to file its report. The motion requires additional time beyond the 60-day window in Rule 3663(a)(III) of the Commission’s Rules Regulating Electric Utilities, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-3, to submit its responsive report. Trial Staff also requests that we waive response time to the motion.

3. In support of its request, Trial Staff reports that due to the number of concurrent proceedings requiring Trial Staff resources, it has been unable to complete its review of the annual RES Compliance Report and therefore requires additional time to complete its analysis and afford the Commission additional information concerning Black Hills’ RES compliance.

4. Moreover, Trial Staff indicates that it conferred with all parties to the proceeding and no responding party indicated that it opposed the extension.

5. Because the relief is unopposed, we find good cause to waive remaining response time to the motion. Additionally, for the reasons put forth by Trial Staff, we find good cause to grant a variance to Rule 3663(a)(III) and extend the deadline for the filing of its report to October 1, 2025.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The Unopposed Motion for an Extension of Time to File its Report Regarding Black Hills Colorado Electric, LLC's 2024 Renewable Energy Standard Compliance Report and Request for Waiver of Response Time, filed by Staff of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission on August 11, 2025, is granted.

2. This Decision is effective upon its Issued Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
August 13, 2025.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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