PROCEEDING NO. 25A-0194E

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO FOR APPROVAL OF ITS 2026-2027 RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLIANCE PLAN, DISPATCHABLE DISTRIBUTED GENERATION PROCUREMENT PROPOSAL, AND CORRESPONDING MODIFICATIONS TO ITS RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARD ADJUSTMENT AND ELECTRIC COMMODITY ADJUSTMENT COST RECOVERY MECHANISMS.

INTERIM DECISION GRANTING SECOND MOTION TO EXTEND SETTLEMENT-RELATED DEADLINES

Issued Date: November 17, 2025

I. <u>STATEMENT</u>

A. Relevant Procedural Background

1. On May 12, 2025, Public Service Company of Colorado ("Public Service") filed its Verified Application of Public Service Company of Colorado for Approval of its 2026-27

Renewable Energy Compliance Plan.

2. By Decision No. R25-0591-I (issued August 14, 2025), the ALJ adopted a

procedural schedule governing this Proceeding. The procedural schedule included settlement-

related deadlines.1

3. On November 5, 2025, Public Service filed its "Notice of Ongoing Settlement

Negotiations, Unopposed Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule, and Request for Waiver of

Response Time" ("Motion to Extend Settlement Deadlines"). The ALJ granted the Motion to

Extend Settlement Deadlines on November 10, 2025 by Decision No. R25-801-I.

<sup>1</sup> Decision No. R25-0591-I at p. 6.

4. On November 13, 2025, Public Service filed its "Second Notice of Ongoing Settlement Negotiations, Unopposed Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule, and Request for Waiver of Response Time" ("Second Motion to Extend Settlement Deadlines").

## II. <u>DISCUSSION AND FINDINGS</u>

- 5. The Commission may shorten the response time for motions on good cause shown. Given that the Second Motion to Extend Settlement Deadlines is unopposed, the ALJ finds good cause to waive the response time and does so.<sup>2</sup>
- 6. Public Services notes that the parties have continued to engage in "active, good faith negotiations in an effort to reach a potential settlement." Public Service states that the parties were unable to reach a settlement by the November 12, 2025 deadline, but that the parties' negotiations continue in earnest and the parties "agree that additional time would be beneficial to potentially resolve the outstanding issues and reach a settlement agreement." Accordingly, Public Service requests that the ALJ adjust the settlement-related deadlines as well as the joint cross-examination matrix deadline. Specifically, Public Service requests that the Stipulation/Settlement agreement deadline be adjusted to November 17, 2025; the deadline for Settlement Testimony, Exhibit and Witness List Exchange, and Non-Testimonial Exhibits be adjusted to November 21, 2025; and the Joint Cross-Examination Matrix deadline be adjusted to November 24, 2025.
- 7. The ALJ finds that good cause exists to extend the settlement-related deadlines and the joint cross-examination matrix deadline and will grant Public Service's Motion to Extend Settlement Deadlines.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Rule 1400(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 4 Code of Colorado Regulations ("CCR") 723-1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Second Motion to Extend Settlement Deadlines at p. 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Id.

Decision No. R25-0816-I

8. The remaining procedural schedule is as follows:

Procedural Activity	Deadline
Stipulations/Settlement Agreement	November 17, 2025
Settlement Testimony	November 21, 2025
Exhibit and Witness List Exchange	November 21, 2025
Non-Testimonial Exhibit	November 21, 2025
Pre-Hearing Motions	November 21, 2025
Joint Cross-Examination Matrix	November 24, 2025
Responses to Pre-Hearing Motions	November 26, 2025
Hearing	December 2 – 5, 2025
Statements of Position	December 18, 2025

## III. ORDER

## A. It Is Ordered That:

- 1. Public Service Company of Colorado's November 12, 2025 "Second Notice of Ongoing Settlement Negotiations, Unopposed Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule, and Request for Waiver of Response Time" is granted, consistent with the above discussion
- 2. The following procedural deadlines are adjusted as follows: Stipulation/Settlement agreement deadline is adjusted to November 17, 2025; the deadline for Settlement Testimony, Exhibit and Witness List Exchange, and Non-Testimonial Exhibits is adjusted to November 21, 2025; and the Joint Cross-Examination Matrix deadline is adjusted to November 24, 2025.

3. This Decision is effective immediately.



ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

KELLY A. ROSENBERG

Administrative Law Judge