

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 23A-0242E

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF
COLORADO FOR APPROVAL OF ITS 2024-2026 TRANSPORTATION ELECTRIFICATION
PLAN

**INTERIM COMMISSION DECISION SCHEDULING
PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING**

Mailed Date: October 11, 2023
Adopted Date: October 4, 2023

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement

1. Through this Decision, we schedule a public comment hearing on the application (Application) to approve the proposed 2024-2026 Transportation Electrification Plan (TEP) that Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service or Company) filed on May 15, 2023.

B. Discussion

2. In Decision No. C23-0446-I, issued July 7, 2023, we set this matter for a hearing before the Commission *en banc* and required the parties to confer on a procedural schedule.

3. In the Response to Decision No. C23-0446-I (Response) that Public Service filed on July 11, 2023, the Company put forth a proposed, unopposed procedural schedule. In the Response, Public Service also notes that the Colorado Energy Office (CEO) recommends that the Commission schedule one pre-hearing conference and at least one public comment hearing.¹ None

¹ Response, p. 3.

of the parties proposed specific dates for either a public comment hearing or a pre-hearing conference.

4. While we decline to schedule a pre-hearing conference at this time, we find good cause to schedule a remote public comment hearing for this Proceeding. The remote public comment hearing shall be held on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., or until concluded by the Commission.

5. The public comment hearing will be held using the web-based video conferencing Zoom platform. Members of the public cannot attend the remote public comment hearing in-person.

6. Additional information about participation in the public comment hearing, such as the sign-up sheet, and all relevant information on how to log on to the remote public comment hearing will be made available on the Commission's public calendar at:

<https://puc.colorado.gov/puccalendar>.

7. A court reporter will live transcribe the public comment hearing to create a written record of the comments received. Commenters should give their full name, and spell it, before they give their comments. In general, commenters will be called to speak in the order in which they sign up. The presiding officer may adopt procedures and time limits for comments as necessary to ensure that all members of the public have opportunity to comment, and the transcribed record is clear and understandable. Typical time limits range from one to three minutes for each commenter. To ensure the hearing time is used efficiently, commenters are requested to avoid repetitive comments that re-state filed written comments or repeat oral comments already provided at hearing. As discussed below, written public comment can be filed at any time in the

proceeding and will be afforded the same weight as oral comments. Finally, the purpose of a public comment hearing is to provide opportunity for members of the public to provide oral comments. To that end, parties to the Proceeding and their representatives are not permitted to present comments. Individuals may present comments on their own behalf.

8. The Commission will publicize the remote public comment hearing by press release, announce them on the Commission's public calendar, and make it known by other avenues to the extent resources are available.

9. The remote public comment hearing will be webcast on the Commission's website. This means that those persons wishing to observe but not participate in the public comment hearing may do so by watching the webcast. To observe the public comment hearing, enter this link in the web browser <https://puc.colorado.gov/webcasts>. The Commission encourages interested persons who do not wish to provide comments at the remote public comment hearing to observe it through the webcast rather than Zoom. Doing so will help minimize background noise during the hearing and may assist in the orderly progression of the hearing.

10. Participating in the public comment hearing is not the only way to provide comments in this Proceeding. We encourage interested persons to provide written or oral public comments at any time this Proceeding is open. Please include "Proceeding No. 23A-0242E" in public comments. Public comments can be provided by:

- Submitting written comments through the Commission's Electronic Filing System (E-Filings) at: <https://www.dora.state.co.us/pls/efi/EFI.homepage>
- Submitting written comments using the Commission's online form or through email at: dora_puc_website@state.co.us. These comments will be posted in E-Filings for this Proceeding.

- Mailing comments to the Commission's offices at:
Colorado Public Utilities Commission, 1560 Broadway,
Suite 250, Denver, CO 80202.
- Calling (303) 869-3490 to leave oral comments (English and
Spanish options).

11. Finally, the Commission strives to accommodate all members of the public at its hearings and meetings by providing services for foreign language users and persons with disabilities upon receipt of a reasonable accommodation request. Requests for such accommodations should be made at least one week prior to the event by completing the Language Access Form. Requests can also be made directly by contacting Holly Bise at (303) 894-2024 or by emailing holly.bise@state.co.us.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. A remote public comment hearing is scheduled as follows:

DATE: January 10, 2024

TIME: 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., or until concluded by the Commission

WEBCAST: Commission Hearing Room A

METHOD: Join by video conference using Zoom at the following link:
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89302762949?tk=-jZ-YuTtBBMt_gZqnPFkKGnZ-4s0kWHwQ3x3tbrjqQk.DQQAAAAUytwFxRZWdjV4VHpSMINvLXJ4ZGxFMjhsajh3AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA&pwd=MYjFrErVPW1aOVHgVe3HMimK1GVdQz.1

2. The remote evidentiary hearing scheduled for January 10, 2024, by Decision No. C23-0514-I will be adjourned at approximately 3:30 p.m. to accommodate the public comment hearing scheduled that evening.

3. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
October 4, 2023.**

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