

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 23AL-0565E

IN THE MATTER OF ADVICE LETTER NO. 1937 - ELECTRIC FILED BY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO TO REVISE ITS P.U.C. NO. 8 - ELECTRIC TARIFF TO UPDATE THE RENEWABLE*CONNECT CREDIT, TO BECOME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024.

**INTERIM COMMISSION DECISION GRANTING
REQUEST FOR ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF NOTICE**

Mailed Date: November 28, 2023

Adopted Date: November 22, 2023

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions

1. On November 15, 2023, Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service or Company) filed a Motion for Approval of Alternative Form of Notice (Motion) to apply to the Company's Advice Letter No. 1937 – Electric, through which the Company proposes to revise the Renewable*Connect (R*C) Credit in its Colorado P.U.C. No. 8 – Electric Tariff, applicable to all electric base rate schedules, effective January 1, 2024.

2. In the Motion, Public Service states the R*C Credit is based upon the total system benefits, on a per Kilowatt-Hour (kWh) basis, that are created by the addition of the R*C resource to the Public Service system. With this filing, the R*C Credit will increase to \$0.04515/kWh in 2024 from the 2023 rate of \$0.04448/kWh.

3. Public Service moves pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(E), 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:

- a. Publishing a legal notice, in the form attached hereto as Attachment A, in *The Denver Post* on a weekday for two (2) consecutive weeks in November and/or early December of 2023;
- b. Electronic service of the legal notice, the Advice Letter and associated tariffs on all intervenors in Proceeding No. 16A-0055E, the Company's Renewable*Connect (formerly Solar*Connect) Application, and all parties to the three-case settlement in Proceeding No. 16AL-0048E; and
- c. Posting the customer notice and proposed tariffs on the Company's public website pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I), C.R.S., https://www.xcelenergy.com/company/rates_and_regulations/filings.

4. Public Service maintains that good cause exists for the Commission to approve the proposed alternative forms of notice, and that it will avoid incurring the expenses that is entailed in other forms of statutory notice. The Company concludes the proposed alternative forms of notice will be sufficient to alert affected and interested parties to the tariff changes the Company is proposing, including by providing notice of the estimated impact on average Residential and Commercial customers.

5. Pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(E), C.R.S., and 4 CCR 723-1-1207(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a utility may request to provide alternative forms of notice of a tariff 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 Approval of Alternative Forms of Notice, filed by Public Service Company of Colorado on November 15, 2023, is granted.

2. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
November 22, 2023.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Rebecca E. White,
Director

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