

Decision No. C24-0449-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 24M-0060G

IN THE MATTER OF THE GAS INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN OF COLORADO NATURAL GAS, INC. FILED PURSUANT TO 4 CODE OF COLORADO REGULATIONS 723-4-4552 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES REGULATING GAS UTILITIES.

**INTERIM COMMISSION DECISION ADOPTING
CONSENSUS DISCOVERY PARAMETERS AND
REFERRING DISCOVERY DISPUTES AND MOTIONS
FOR EXTRAORDINARY PROTECTION TO AN
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE**

Issued Date: June 25, 2024

Adopted Date: June 17, 2024

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions

1. On March 1, 2024, Colorado Natural Gas, Inc. (CNG) filed its initial Gas Infrastructure Plan (GIP). CNG made the filing consistent with provisions in the Commission's Rules Regulating Gas Utilities, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* (CCR) 723-4-4550 to 4555.

2. Through Decision No. C24-0258, the Commission required the parties to confer and file proposed discovery parameters ten days after the Commission established the parties to this Proceeding.

3. On June 11, 2024, CNG filed a Conferral Report detailing the consensus discovery parameters. The discovery parameters include that parties will use the Commission's Rule 1405 discovery procedures, with CNG's discovery responses due within ten business days, and the discovery cutoff on CNG's GIP being the due date of initial comments by intervenors of

July 23, 2024. CNG, to the extent it decides to conduct discovery on the intervenors' comments, would have until the responsive comments due date of August 20, 2024, to propound discovery.

4. We find that the discovery procedures proposed by the parties are reasonable and therefore we adopt the discovery parameters set forth in the conferral report.

5. Additionally, we refer all discovery disputes and motions for extraordinary protection to the Administrative Law Judge that is scheduling and convening a public comment hearing in this Proceeding.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The discovery parameters set forth in the Conferral Report filed by Colorado Natural Gas, Inc., on June 11, 2024, are adopted.

2. All discovery disputes are referred to the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) that is scheduling and convening a public comment hearing in this Proceeding.

3. Motions for extraordinary protection filed in this Proceeding are also referred to the ALJ.

4. This Decision is effective upon its Issued Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
June 17, 2024.**

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Rebecca E. White,
Director

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