

Decision No. R24-0315-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 23N-0630GPS

IN THE MATTER OF THE NOTICE OF PROBABLE VIOLATION ISSUED TO PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO ON DECEMBER 29, 2023.

**INTERIM DECISION OF
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
G. HARRIS ADAMS
REQUIRING PARTIES TO CONFER AND STAFF
TO FILE QUARTERLY STATUS REPORTS**

Mailed Date: May 8, 2024

I. STATEMENT

A. Background

1. On December 29, 2023, the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission (Staff) initiated this matter by issuing its Notice of Probable Violation (NPV) to Public Service Company of Colorado (the Company).

2. On February 1, 2024, the Company filed its Response Letter to the NPV with the Public Utilities Commission (Commission). The Company requests the Commission deem its remedial actions sufficient to address the alleged violations and requests reconsideration of the proposed civil penalty.¹

3. On March 20, 2024, the Commission referred this proceeding to an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) by minute entry.

4. On April 12, 2024, Staff filed its Entry of Appearance.

¹ Response at 4.

5. In order to keep the Commission informed, Staff will be ordered to file status reports as to progress in resolving the violations identified in the NPV and expectations regarding the filing of evidence of resolution and a motion to dismiss (or otherwise dispose of the proceeding). Thus, Staff shall confer with the Company and file quarterly status reports until evidence of resolution and a motion to dismiss (or otherwise dispose of the proceeding) is filed, commencing in three months.

II. ORDER

A. It is Ordered That:

1. Staff of the Public Utilities Commission (Staff) shall confer with Public Service Company of Colorado (the Company) quarterly and file quarterly reports, commencing on August 1, 2024, informing the Commission as to progress toward filing evidence of resolution and a motion to dismiss (or otherwise dispose of the proceeding), expectations regarding the filing of evidence of resolution and a motion to dismiss (or otherwise dispose of the proceeding), and whether any party believes it necessary to establish a new procedural schedule.

2. Staff shall file a status report of each quarterly conferral identified above on or before August 1, 2024, November 1, 2024, February 1, 2025, etc., or until evidence of resolution and a motion to dismiss (or otherwise dispose of the proceeding) is filed.

3. This Decision is effective immediately.

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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

G. HARRIS ADAMS

Administrative Law Judge

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rebecca E. White".

Rebecca E. White,
Director