

Decision No. C03-0643

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 02S-574G

RE: THE INVESTIGATION AND SUSPENSION OF TARIFF SHEETS FILED BY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO WITH ADVICE LETTER NO. 598-GAS.

**ORDER OF THE COMMISSION MODIFYING
SUSPENSION PERIOD, AND GRANTING MOTION TO
EXTEND DUE DATE FOR STATEMENTS OF POSITION**

Mailed Date: June 12, 2003
Adopted Date: June 11, 2003

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement

1. By Ordering Paragraph No. 1 in Decision No. C02-1217, the effective date of the tariff sheets filed by Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service) on September 30, 2002 under its Advice Letter No. 598 - Gas was suspended for 120 days, until February 28, 2003, or until further order of the Commission.

2. By Ordering Paragraph No. 1 in Decision No. C03-0024, the effective date of the tariff sheets filed by Public Service on September 30, 2002 under its Advice Letter No. 598 - Gas as modified by Advice Letter No. 598 – Gas-Amended, filed December 20, 2002, was suspended until April 4, 2003, or until further order of the Commission. By Ordering Paragraph No. 1 in Decision No. C03-0305, the effective date of the tariff sheets was further suspended for 90 days until July 7, 2003.

3. Public Service has now filed to further extend the effective date of the tariffs. On May 29, 2003, Public Service filed Second Amended Advice Letter No. 593-Gas extending the effective date from December 5, 2002 to January 20, 2003.

4. Public Service also filed a motion to extend the deadline for filing Statements of Position for two weeks, until June 27, 2003.

B. Findings of Fact

5. The Commission finds that Second Amended Advice Letter No. 593-Gas changed the effective date of the tariffs to January 20, 2003. It is therefore necessary to suspend the effective date of these tariffs until August 18, 2003, or until further order of the Commission.

6. The Commission finds that the extension of the suspension period to August 18, 2003 will allow adequate time to extend the due date for Statements of Position until June 27, 2003.

7. Public Service states that it has contacted counsel for all parties to this proceeding and is authorized to represent that no party objects to the requested extension of time for filing Statements of Position. The Commission therefore finds that response time to this motion can be waived.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. The effective date of the tariff sheets filed by Public Service Company of Colorado, on September 30, 2002 under its Advice Letter No. 598-Gas, as modified by the filing on May 29, 2003 of its Second Amended Advice Letter No. 593-Gas extending the effective date

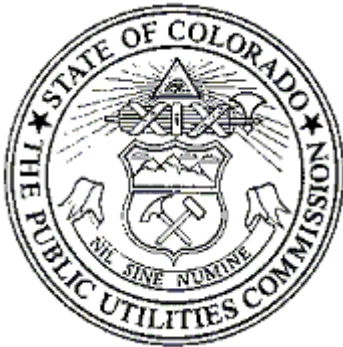
until January 20, 2003, is suspended until August 18, 2003, or until further order of the Commission.

2. The motion to extend the due date for Statements of Position from June 13, 2003 until June 27, 2003 is granted, and response time is waived.

3. This Order is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
June 11, 2003.**

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