

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 20AL-0411G

IN THE MATTER OF ADVICE LETTER NO. 974-GAS FILED BY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO TO REVISE ITS COLORADO P.U.C. NO. 6 – GAS TARIFF TO REVISE ITS GAS DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT COST ADJUSTMENT TARIFF TO BECOME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021.

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

Mailed Date: October 16, 2020

Adopted Date: October 7, 2020

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions

1. On October 1, 2020, Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service or Company) filed a Motion for Alternative Form of Notice (Motion). By Advice Letter No. 974-Gas, also filed on October 1, 2020, the Company seeks to revise its No. 6-Gas tariff with the revisions becoming effective January 1, 2021.

2. Public Service states that it is seeking authority under § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(E), C.R.S., and Rule 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* (CCR) 723-1-1207(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, to provide alternative forms of public notice about the revision.

The Company seeks approval to use the following forms of notice:

(a) Posting the customer notice on its website pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I), C.R.S.;

(b) Publishing a legal notice, (attached to the Motion as Exhibit 1), in *The Denver Post*, on two consecutive Sundays, on October 4, 2020; and October 11, 2020; and

- (c) Electronic service of the Advice Letter and associated tariffs on all parties to Proceeding Nos. 18A-0606EG, the 2019/2020 Biennial DSM Plan proceeding and 20A-0287EG, the 2021/2022 Biennial DSM Plan proceeding.

3. Public Service is of the opinion that good cause exists for the alternative form of notice requested by its Motion. The Company maintains the proposed notice will provide direct notice to all parties who participated in the most recent cases involving the Company's Demand Side Management Plans. According to Public Service, the newspaper notices will provide the general public the required information regarding the proposed changes to the Demand Side Management Cost Adjustment-Gas rates and the estimated impact on average residential and commercial customers. Public Service argues the proposed alternative notice is sufficient to alert affected and interested parties of the changes that the Company is proposing by this Advice Letter in a timely fashion.

4. 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 an alternative form of notice of proposed tariff changes. We find that the alternative forms of notice Public Service proposes in its Motion will provide sufficient notice to the affected customers and parties. We therefore find good cause to approve the alternative forms of notice Public Service requests.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The Motion for Approval of Alternative Form of Notice filed on October 1, 2020, is granted.
2. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
October 7, 2020.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doug Dean".

Doug Dean,
Director

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
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ABSENT.