

Decision No. C22-0632-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 22AL-0421G

IN THE MATTER OF ADVICE LETTER NO. 1000 - 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, TO BECOME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023.

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

Mailed Date: October 19, 2022
Adopted Date: October 19, 2022

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions

1. On October 4, 2022, Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service or Company) filed a Motion for Approval of Alternative Forms of Notice (Motion) to apply to the Company's Advice Letter No. 1000-Gas and tariff filing. Through Advice Letter No. 1000-Gas, Public Service proposes to revise its Colorado P.U.C. No. 6-Gas tariff in order to implement a revised Gas Demand-Side Management Cost Adjustment (DSMCA-G) tariff to implement and update the DSMCA-G components, effective January 1, 2023. Public Service states, through Advice Letter No. 1000-Gas, the Company is increasing the DSMCA-G rates for Residential and Commercial customers. Public Service states the revised 2022 DSMCA-G reflects no change in annual revenues from the DSMCA-G rates currently in effect.

2. 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:

- Posting the customer notice on the Company's website and keeping the filing open for public inspection pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I), C.R.S.;
- Publishing a legal notice, in the form attached to the Motion as Exhibit 1, in *The Denver Post*, for two consecutive Sundays;¹ and
- 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 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.

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 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.

¹ Pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(A), C.R.S., such newspaper notice must be published once each week for two successive weeks during the first twenty days of the thirty-day period prior to the effective date of the tariff change.

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 October 4, 2022, is granted.
- 2. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
October 19, 2022.**

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