

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 14AL-0393E

IN THE MATTER OF ADVICE LETTER NO. 680 FILED BY BLACK HILLS/COLORADO ELECTRIC UTILITY COMPANY, LP TO REVISE ITS COLORADO PUC NO. 9 ELECTRIC TARIFF TO IMPLEMENT A GENERAL RATE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT TO INCREASE RATES, A NEW RIDER PURSUANT TO THE CLEAN AIR-CLEAN JOBS ACT, AND OTHER CHANGES, PROPOSED TO BE EFFECTIVE ON MAY 31, 2014.

**INTERIM DECISION OF
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
ROBERT I. GARVEY
SHORTENING RESPONSE TIME**

Mailed Date: September 17, 2014

I. STATEMENT

1. On April 30, 2014, Black Hills/Colorado Electric Utility Company, LP (Black Hills) filed Advice Letter No. 680. Black Hills submitted Advice Letter No. 680 with supporting testimony and exhibits.

2. By Decision No. C14-0522, issued May 16, 2014, the effective date of the Advice letter was suspended until September 28, 2014. The matter was also referred to an administrative law judge for disposition.

3. The procedural history of this proceeding is set out in previous Decisions and is repeated here as necessary to put this Decision in context.

4. On September 16, 2014, Black Hills filed its Motion to Strike Certain Portions of Corrected Answer Testimony of the Office of Consumer Counsel, and Request for Shortened Response Time of One Day (Motion).

5. This Decision only addresses the Request for Shortened Response Time of One Day.

6. Black Hills states that due to the short time until the hearing in this matter is to be commenced, that response time to the Motion be shortened to one day, or the close of business on September 17, 2014.

7. Since the evidentiary hearing in this matter is to commence within one week, it is necessary to shorten response time to the Motion. Response time shall be shortened to 12:00 p.m. (noon) MST on September 19, 2014.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. Black Hills/Colorado Electric Utility Company, LP's (Black Hills) Request for Shortened Response Time of One Day is denied

2. Response time to Black Hills' Motion to Strike Certain Portions of Corrected Answer Testimony of the Office of Consumer Counsel, shall be shortened.

3. All responses to Black Hills' Motion to Strike Certain Portions of Corrected Answer Testimony of the Office of Consumer Counsel shall be filed with the Commission by 12:00 p.m. (noon) MST on September 19, 2014.

4. This Decision is effective immediately.

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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

ROBERT I. GARVEY

Administrative Law Judge

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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

Doug Dean,
Director