

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 19A-0369E

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF
COLORADO FOR APPROVAL OF ITS 2020-2021 RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLIANCE
PLAN.

**INTERIM DECISION OF
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
MELODY MIRBABA
GRANTING MOTION TO BE EXCUSED
FROM PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

Mailed Date: August 30, 2019

I. STATEMENT

1. By Decision No. R19-0694-I, this matter was scheduled for a prehearing conference for September 4, 2019. The same Decision granted Grid Alternatives Colorado, Inc.'s (GRID) request to intervene in this matter.

2. On August 28, 2019, GRID filed an "Unopposed Motion . . .for Leave to Be Excused from September 4, 2019 Pre-Hearing Conference and Request for Waiver of Response Time" (Motion). As grounds, GRID states that its counsel is scheduled to travel internationally on the day of the prehearing conference. GRID states that it will accept and abide by the schedule and other procedural agreements and decisions reached at the prehearing conference. GRID also states that it conferred with all parties, and except for Commission Trial Staff (Trial Staff), the parties do not oppose the Motion. GRID attempted to confer with Trial Staff, but Trial Staff did not respond to GRID's email. GRID asks that the response time to its Motion be waived.

3. Trial Staff has not filed a response to the Motion.

4. Under the circumstances, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) finds that GRID has established good cause to waive the response time to its Motion as permitted by Rule 1400(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure and will do so. 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-1.

5. The ALJ finds that GRID has established good cause to be excused from the prehearing conference, and the ALJ will hold GRID to its promise to be bound to any decisions arising out of the prehearing conference. The ALJ will grant GRID's Motion.

II. **ORDER**

A. **It Is Ordered That:**

1. The response time to Grid Alternatives Colorado, Inc.'s (GRID) an "Unopposed Motion . . .for Leave to Be Excused from September 4, 2019 Pre-Hearing Conference and Request for Waiver of Response Time" (Motion) is waived.

2. GRID's Motion is granted, and it is excused from appearing at the September 4, 2019 prehearing conference in this matter.

3. GRID has waived objections to rulings and agreements made during or arising out of the September 4, 2019 prehearing conference, and will be bound to any such rulings and agreements.

4. This Decision is effective immediately.

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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

MELODY MIRBABA

Administrative Law Judge

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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

Doug Dean,
Director