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(Decision No. C93-1245)

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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IN THE MATTER OF THE INTEGRATED)
RESOURCE PLAN OF PUBLIC SERVICE)
COMPANY OF COLORADO, 1225 - 17TH)
STREET, DENVER, COLORADO 80202.)

DOCKET NO. 93I-098E

COMMISSION ORDER

Mailed Date: October 5, 1993
Adopted Date: September 28, 1993

STATEMENT

BY THE COMMISSION:

This matter comes before the Colorado Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") on its own motion. By previous order in this docket (Decision No. C93-1138-I) mailed September 14, 1993, the Commission set a prehearing conference for October 15, 1993, to discuss electric Integrated Resource Planning.

The Commission is considering that an additional matter should be discussed at that hearing. The National Energy Policy Act of 1992 Subtitle B--Utilities, Section 111. Encouragement of Investments in Conservation and Energy Efficiency by Electric Utilities states:

(b) Protection for Small Business.--The Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-617; 92 Stat. 3117; 16 U.S.C. 2601 and following) is amended by inserting the following new paragraph at the end of subsection 111(c):

(3) If a State regulatory authority implements (IRP or DSM) standards, such authority shall--

(A) consider the impact that implementation of such standard would have on small businesses engaged in the design, sale, supply, installation, or servicing of energy conservation, energy efficiency, or other demand side management measures, and

(B) implement such standard so as to assure that utility actions would not provide such utilities with unfair competitive advantages over such small businesses.

Interested parties are requested to attend the prehearing conference to present recommendations on the issues set forth in Decision No. C93-1138-I, and also the procedure the Commission should employ to address Section 111(b) of the Energy Policy Act.

THEREFORE THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

As discussed above, recommendations will be received at the on-the-record prehearing conference scheduled for:

DATE: October 15, 1993

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Commission Hearing Room A
Office Level 2 (OL2)
Logan Tower
1580 Logan Street
Denver, Colorado

This Order is effective on its Mailed Date.

ADOPTED IN OPEN MEETING September 28, 1993.



ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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Director

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