(Decision No. C91-1137)

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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THE JOINT APPLICATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO; THE OFFICE OF CONSUMER COUNSEL; THE OFFICE OF ENERGY CONSERVATION; AND THE LAND AND WATER FUND OF THE ROCKIES TO OPEN A DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT COLLABORATIVE PROCESS DOCKET.

DOCKET NO. 91A-481EG

COMMISSION ORDER

Mailed Date: August 23, 1991 Adopted Date: August 21, 1991

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STATEMENT

BY THE COMMISSION:

On August 1, 1991, the Colorado Office of Consumer Counsel, Public Service Company of Colorado, Staff of the Public Utilities Commission, Land and Water Fund of the Rockies, the Office of Energy Conservation, and Climax Molybdenum (Movants) filed their Joint Motion to Amend Notice of Application. As grounds for the motion the Movants state that on July 19, 1991, the Commission issued a notice of application relating to both this docket and Docket No. 91A-480EG. The notice sets out certain procedural dates that the Movants contend are not appropriate for this docket. Specifically, Movants contend that the prehearing certification requirement and the advance filing-of-testimony requirement are not appropriate for this proceeding. This proceeding, the Movants state, is a consensus building approach to DSM which will not result in formal hearings in this docket.

In addition, the Movants seek to have the Commission issue an amended notice of application indicating the purpose of the docket and allowing a 30-day period for intervention.

The Commission agrees with the Movants that the specific procedural requirements set forth above are not appropriate for this docket. However, rather than renotice the entire application the Commission will simply order that those requirements are not applicable to this docket. In addition, because of the unique nature of this docket, the Commission will grant automatic intervention to any party that seeks it, no matter when that intervention is filed. Finally, the Commission emphasizes that one does not have to be a party to participate in the collaborative process. However, to obtain the rights of a party one must intervene.

THEREFORE THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Joint Motion to Amend Notice of Applications filed August 1, 1991, is granted in part. There is no formal intervention period in this proceeding. Persons may seek to intervene at any time and such interventions shall be automatically granted. There are no prehearing certification or filing-of-testimony requirements.

2. Any person, whether a party or not, may participate in the collaborative process.

This Decision is effective immediately on its Mailed Date.

ADOPTED IN OPEN MEETING August 21, 1991.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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CHRISTINE E. M. ALVAREZ

Commissioners

COMMISSIONER GARY L. NAKARADO ABSENT BUT CONCURRING IN THE RESULT.



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