Decision No. C04-0248

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 04A-045EG

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO FOR APPROVAL OF ITS 2004-2005 GAS PRICE VOLATILITY MITIGATION PLAN.

ORDER VACATING HEARING

Mailed Date: March 10, 2004 Adopted Date: March 10, 2004

I. <u>BY THE COMMISSION</u>

A. Statement

1. On January 28, 2004, Public Service Company of Colorado filed an application for approval of its 2004-2005 Gas Price Volatility Mitigation Plan for its electric department. Staff of the Commission and the Office of Consumer Counsel filed notices of intervention in this matter. A hearing on the application is scheduled for March 11, 2004. On March 1, 2004, the parties filed their Stipulation and Settlement Agreement (Stipulation) which, if adopted by the Commission resolves all issues in this case. In the Stipulation the parties request that the Commission grant the application without hearing and that the March 11, 2004 hearing date be vacated.

2. We grant the request to vacate the hearing. We recently completed hearings on the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement for Public Service Company of Colorado's 2003-2004 Gas Price Volatility Mitigation Plan (Docket No. 03A-489EG) and the issues in that case are similar to those in this case. As such, it is not necessary to conduct a hearing to clarify the Stipulation in this docket.

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II. ORDER

- A. The Commission Orders That:
- 1. The March 11, 2004 hearing date is vacated.
- 2. This Order is effective on its Mailed Date.

B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING March 10, 2004.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

Commissioners

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