

October 15, 2004

Advice No. 631 - Gas

Public Utilities Commission of the State Of Colorado 1580 Logan Street, OL-2 Denver, Colorado 80203

The accompanying tariff sheets issued by Public Service Company of Colorado are sent to you for filing in accordance with the requirements of the Public Utilities Law:

## COLORADO P.U.C. NO. 6 - GAS

and the following sheets are attached:

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Colorado P.U.C. Sh	eet No.	Title of Sheet Colorado	P.U.C. Sheet No.
Third Revised	R9	Rules and Second Re	vised R9
		Regulations	
		and Conditions	
Third Revised	<b>S</b> 5	General Terms and Second Re	vised S5
		Conditions	
Original	S13A	General Terms and	S13A
		Conditions	
Eleventh Revised	S20	General Terms and Tenth Rev	ised S20
		Conditions	
First Revised	S21	General Terms and Original	S21
		Conditions	

The principle proposed change is: to revise the Monthly Bills section of the Rules and Regulations portion and add a Discontinuance of Service at Customer's Request section in the General Terms and Conditions portion in the Company's Colorado P.U.C. No. 6 - Gas tariff, to be effective November 15, 2004, to change the Company's tariff provisions regarding initial or final bills.

The purpose of this filing is to: change the Company's tariff provisions related to estimating initial and final bills that are for periods of less than a monthly billing period. For such shortened billing periods, the Company proposes to estimate the commodity charge and prorate the service and facility charge based on a 30-day billing period.

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In addition, the Company proposes to add a Discontinuance of Service at Customer's Request section to provide options for a customer wishing to discontinue his/her natural gas service for a period less than the monthly billing period. The Company proposes to estimate and/or prorate the bill in accordance with the Monthly Billing Section. In the event a customer desires an actual meter reading, the customer has the option to read his/her own meter and contact the Company with that reading, otherwise the customer will be responsible for payment for the meter reading based on the Trip Charge as set forth under the Company's non-gratuitous labor charges in its Colorado P.U.C. No. 6 - Gas tariff.

Contemporaneous with this Advice Letter, the Company files its Direct Testimony of Kevin J. Lawless and Beverly A. Brown.

This filing will have no effect on the Company's annual revenues because the proposed change in the estimation method will not result in a change in amounts billed to customers in total.

Customers will be notified of this amended filing by published legal notice in *The Denver Post*. A copy of the official notice is attached.

It is desired that this filing become effective on November 15, 2004.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this filing please contact Ted Niemi at (303) 294-2141. Please send copies of all notices, pleadings, correspondence, and other documents regarding this filing to:

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Enclosures

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