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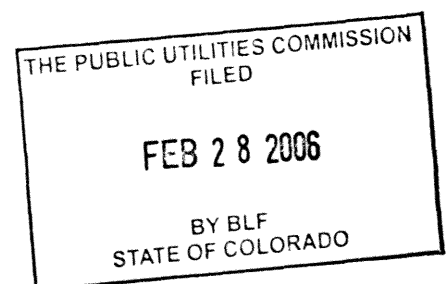
Public Utilities Commission
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The accompanying tariff sheets issued by Public Service Company of Colorado are sent to you for filing in accordance with the requirements of the Public Utilities Law:

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

and the following sheets are attached:

<u>Colorado P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>		<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Cancels</u>	<u>Colorado P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>
Fifth Revised	30	Firm Gas Transportation Service	Sub. Fourth Revised	30
Third Revised	30G	Firm Gas Transportation Service	2 nd Sub. Second Revised	30G
Second Revised	30H	Firm Gas Transportation Service	2 nd Sub. First Revised	30H
Second Revised	30I	Firm Gas Transportation Service	2 nd Sub. First Revised	30I



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Fifth Revised	31	Interruptible Gas Transportation Service	Sub. Fourth Revised	31
Fourth Revised	31D	Interruptible Gas Transportation Service	2 nd Sub. Third Revised	31D
Second Revised	31E	Interruptible Gas Transportation Service	2 nd Sub. First Revised	31E
First Revised	31F	Interruptible Gas Transportation Service	Sub. Original	31F
Original	31G	Interruptible Gas Transportation Service	-----	
Thirtieth Revised	50H	Gas Cost Adjustment	Twenty-ninth Revised	50H
Fifth Revised	T1	Index	Fourth Revised	T1
Second Revised	T1A	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	First Revised	T1A
Fourth Revised	T2	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Sub. Third Revised	T2
Fifth Revised	T3	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Fourth Revised	T3
Fifth Revised	T4	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Fourth Revised	T4
Fifth Revised	T5	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Fourth Revised	T5
Fifth Revised	T6	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Fourth Revised	T6
Fourth Revised	T7	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Sub. Third Revised	T7
Fourth Revised	T8	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Sub. Third Revised	T8
Fourth Revised	T9	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Sub. Third Revised	T9
Fourth Revised	T10	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Sub. Third Revised	T10
Fifth Revised	T11	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Fourth Revised	T11
Fifth Revised	T12	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Sub. Fourth Revised	T12
Sixth Revised	T13	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Fifth Revised	T13
First Revised	T13A	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	2 nd Sub. Original	T13A
First Revised	T13B	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Original	T13B

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First Revised	T15A	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Original	T15A
Fourth Revised	T16	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Sub. Third Revised	T16
Fourth Revised	T17	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Sub. Third Revised	T17
Fourth Revised	T18	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Sub. Third Revised	T18
Fourth Revised	T19	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Sub. Third Revised	T19
Fourth Revised	T20	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Sub. Third Revised	T20
Fourth Revised	T21	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Sub. Third Revised	T21
Third Revised	T22	Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions	Second Revised	T22
Third Revised	T23	Standard Form of Request for Gas Transportation Service	Second Revised	T23
Third Revised	T24	Standard Form of Request for Gas Transportation Service	Second Revised	T24
Third Revised	T25	Request for Amendment to Gas Transportation Service Agreement	Second Revised	T25
Fourth Revised	T26	Request for Amendment to Gas Transportation Service Agreement	Sub. Third Revised	T26
Fourth Revised	T27	Standard Form of Request for Aggregate Balancing	Sub. Third Revised	T27
Fourth Revised	T28	Firm Gas Transportation Service Agreement	Sub. Third Revised	T28
Fourth Revised	T29	Firm Gas Transportation Service Agreement	Sub. Third Revised	T29
Fourth Revised	T30	Firm Gas Transportation Service Agreement	Sub. Third Revised	T30
Fourth Revised	T31	Firm Transportation Service Agreement	Sub. Third Revised	T31
Fourth Revised	T32	Firm Transportation Service Agreement	Sub. Third Revised	T32

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Fourth Revised	T33	Interruptible Gas Transportation Service Agreement	Sub. Third Revised	T33
Fourth Revised	T34	Interruptible Gas Transportation Service Agreement	Sub. Third Revised	T34
Fourth Revised	T35	Interruptible Gas Transportation Service Agreement	Sub. Third Revised	T35
Fourth Revised	T36	Interruptible Gas Transportation Service Agreement	Sub. Third Revised	T36
Third Revised	T37	Interruptible Transportation Service Agreement	Second Revised	T37
Third Revised	T38	Designation of End User Agent	Second Revised	T38
Original	T38A	Designation of End User Agent	----	
Third Revised	T39	Designation of Shipper's Agent	Second Revised	T39
Original	T39A	Designation of Shipper's Agent	----	
Original	T39B	Designation of Shipper's Agent	----	
Third Revised	T40-T62	Reserved For Future Filing	Second Revised	T40-T62

The principal proposed changes are to revise the Gas Transportation Service and Gas Transportation Terms and Conditions in the Company's P.U.C. 6 - Gas tariff including: 1) to revise the market-responsive price applicable to cash-out transactions in which gas transportation imbalances incurred by Shippers are eliminated through the purchase or sale of gas by the Company, and to Backup Supply Sales Service provided under Rate Schedules TF and TI; 2) to revise the index price used to calculate cash-outs of gas transportation imbalances created as the result of prior period adjustments due to measurement errors; 3) to eliminate the requirement for shippers to nominate imbalance resolution gas and to modify the existing procedure for assigning daily gas quantities received on behalf of shippers in the determination of gas transportation imbalances; 4) to update and clarify the requirements for shippers to maintain credit security with Public Service as a condition of gas transportation service; 5) to modify and clarify the provisions concerning the suspension and termination of gas transportation service by Public Service for cause, and the provision of interim imbalance gas supply service to end-use customers affected thereby; 6) to clarify the provisions

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regarding aggregate balancing among multiple gas transportation service agreements; 7) to update and revise the requirements concerning communication equipment for the reporting of electronic measurement data relating to gas transportation delivery quantities; 8) to include the Company's standard agency forms for use in facilitating gas transportation service and aggregate balancing in compliance with Rule 4206(e) of the Commission's new Rules Regulating Gas Utilities and Pipeline Operators, 4 Code of Colorado Regulations (CCR) 723-4; 9) to revise the standard forms of gas transportation service agreements to include language required by Rule 4206(d) of the Commission's new Rules Regulating Gas Utilities and Pipeline Operators, 4 CCR 723-4; and 10) to make other minor housekeeping revisions to the gas transportation terms and conditions in the Company's P.U.C. No. 6 - Gas Tariff to become effective April 1, 2006.

This filing is made to comply with the Company's obligation under the Stipulation and Agreement entered in Docket No. 05S-264G, and approved by the Commission, with modifications, in Decision No. C06-0086, mailed February 3, 2006, wherein the Company agreed to propose changes to the gas transportation terms and conditions of its tariff on or before February 28, 2006.

The Company is revising the index price applicable to cash-out transactions and Backup Supply Sales Service from the current first-of-the-month Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG) Rocky Mountain spot price index, published in Platts' Inside F.E.R.C.'s Gas Market Report, to the "Weekly Weighted Average Price" for CIG Rocky Mountains, as published by Gas Daily on the first business day of each of the first four weeks during the month. The Company believes that this new index better captures the fluctuations of spot gas prices during the month, as opposed to the current index. For cash-outs of imbalances reflecting the net over delivery of gas to the Company, the proposed cash-out price is 75% of the lowest weekly price over the four-week period for the new index. For cash-outs of imbalances reflecting the net under delivery of gas to the Company, the proposed cash-out price is 125% of the highest weekly price over the four-week period for the new index, plus the effective interruptible gas transportation commodity rate for upstream service on CIG, including applicable surcharges and adjustment for fuel use, lost and unaccounted for gas.

The proposed market-responsive price for Backup Supply Sales Service will be the same as the proposed cash-out price for under deliveries, unless the shipper has subscribed to Firm Supply Reservation Service, in which case the Backup Supply Sales Service rate will be equal to 100% of the new index, plus the effective firm gas transportation commodity rate for upstream service on CIG, including applicable surcharges and adjustment for fuel use, lost and unaccounted for gas. The Company believes that these new market-responsive prices strike the appropriate balance between providing the necessary disincentives

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for transportation customers to incur and not remedy imbalances and providing fair and adequate compensation in the underlying cash-out and backup supply transactions.

The index price used to calculate cash-outs of gas transportation imbalances created as the result of prior period adjustments due to measurement errors is being revised to eliminate the current comparison of three different prices and to retain only one applicable index price. The index price retained will be the first-of-the-month (CIG) Rocky Mountain spot price index, published in Platts' Inside F.E.R.C.'s Gas Market Report. For such imbalances reflecting under deliveries of gas to the Company, this index price will be adjusted to include the effective firm gas transportation commodity rate for upstream service on CIG, including applicable surcharges and adjustment for fuel use, lost and unaccounted for gas.

The Company is proposing to clarify and modify its credit requirements for gas transportation service to ensure that the Company retains adequate security from gas transportation shippers for the duration of the gas transportation service agreement. The Company is also proposing to create a process for suspension and termination of gas transportation service to shippers who fail to meet the Company's credit requirements or otherwise fail to perform as required under the tariff.

The proposed revisions to eliminate the requirement for shippers to nominate imbalance resolution gas and to modify the existing procedure for assigning daily gas quantities received on behalf of shippers in the determination of gas transportation imbalances provides an improved process for determining and resolving gas transportation imbalances which aligns more closely with the standard procedures followed by other gas transportation service providers in the industry.

The filing does not affect the Company's annual base rate gas revenues. The proposed changes may have a small impact on the Company's gas cost adjustment sales and other revenues due to the change in the market-driven price for gas transportation imbalance cash-outs and Backup Supply Sales Service. However, the extent of this change is dependent upon the future level of such imbalance cash-outs and Backup Supply Sales Service, which is unknown.

Notice to affected customers will be made by publishing a copy of the attached notice in the legal classified section of The Denver Post/Rocky Mountain News. In addition, the Company will directly serve each gas transportation customer that is a shipper under a gas transportation service a letter transmitting a copy of the attached legal notice and a copy of this advice letter via United States mail.

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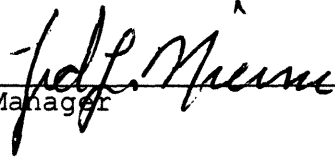
It is requested that the changed tariffs accompanying this advice letter become effective on April 1, 2006.

Please send copies of all notices, pleadings, correspondence, and other documents regarding this filing to:

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Enclosure