

Decision No. C14-0541-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 14M-0204E

IN THE MATTER OF REPORTS SUBMITTED BY COOPERATIVE ELECTRIC ASSOCIATIONS REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARD REQUIREMENTS FOR 2013.

**INTERIM DECISION DIRECTING
QUALIFYING WHOLESALE UTILITIES TO FILE
REPORTS PURSUANT TO § 40-2-124(8)(G), C.R.S.**

Mailed Date: May 23, 2014

Adopted Date: May 21, 2014

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions

1. On March 6, 2014, the Commission issued Decision No. C14-0239 opening miscellaneous Proceeding No. 14M-0204E for the purpose of receiving 2013 compliance reports from cooperative electric associations pursuant to § 40-2-124(5.5), C.R.S.

2. On June 5, 2013, the Governor of Colorado signed into law Senate Bill 13-252 which requires similar reporting by qualifying wholesale utilities. Qualifying wholesale utilities are defined as generation and transmission cooperative electric associations that provide wholesale electric service to Colorado electric associations that are its members. The Senate bill was enacted as Section 40-2-124(8), C.R.S.

3. Section 40-2-124(8)(g), C.R.S., states:

Reports. Each qualifying wholesale utility shall submit an annual report to the commission no later than June 1, 2014, and June 1 of each year thereafter. In addition, the qualifying wholesale utility shall post an electronic copy of each report on its web site and shall provide the commission with an electronic copy of the report. In each report, the qualifying wholesale utility shall:

(I) Describe the steps it took during the immediately preceding twelve months to comply with the electric resource standard established in this subsection (8);

(II) In the years before 2020, describe whether it is making sufficient progress toward meeting the standard in 2020 or is likely to meet the 2020 standard early. If it is not making sufficient progress toward meeting the standard in 2020, it shall explain why and shall indicate the steps it intends to take to increase the pace of progress; and

(III) In 2020 and thereafter, describe whether it has achieved compliance with the electric resource standard established in this subsection (8) and whether it anticipates continuing to do so. If it has not achieved such compliance or does not anticipate continuing to do so, it shall explain why and shall indicate the steps it intends to take to meet the standard and by what date.

(emphasis added)

4. We find that miscellaneous Proceeding No. 14M-0204E will appropriately serve to receive reports submitted by qualifying wholesale utilities in compliance with § 40-2-124(10)(g), C.R.S., and would assist the Commission with keeping an accurate record of these reports and facilitate convenient access by members of the public. We therefore direct qualifying wholesale utilities to file reports pursuant to § 40-2-124(10)(g), C.R.S., in Proceeding No. 14M-0204E on or before June 1, 2014.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. Qualifying wholesale utilities shall file reports pursuant to § 40-2-124(10)(g), C.R.S., in Proceeding No. 14M-0204E on or before June 1, 2014.

2. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
May 21, 2014.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doug Dean".

Doug Dean,
Director

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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COMMISSIONER PAMELA J. PATTON
ABSENT.