

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 14AL-0577E

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADVICE LETTER NO 682, TARIFF NO. 9 FILED BY BLACK HILLS/COLORADO ELECTRIC UTILITY COMPANY, LP FOR APPROVAL OF THE ENERGY COST ADJUSTMENT (ECA) DATA CONSISTENT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COST ADJUSTMENT METHODOLOGY, TO BECOME EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

**DECISION GRANTING MOTION FOR
PARTIAL WAIVER OF ENERGY COST ADJUSTMENT
TARIFF AND WAIVER OF RESPONSE TIME**

Mailed Date: July 1, 2014
Adopted Date: June 25, 2014

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement

1. This matter comes before the Commission for consideration of a Motion for partial waiver from the requirements of Energy Cost Adjustment tariff, filed on June 23, 2014, by Black Hills/Colorado Electric Utility Company, LP (Black Hills).

2. Black Hills has on file with the Commission its approved tariffs which specify the method for calculating and recovering Black Hills' quarterly Energy Cost Adjustment (ECA). In accordance with that tariff, on May 30, 2014, Black Hills filed Advice Letter No. 682 to revise the ECA rate. This revision to the ECA proposed full recovery of the under-recovered deferred account balance. On June 23, 2014, Black Hills filed Amended Advice Letter No. 682 to revise its ECA to balance the recovery of the eligible under-recovered costs. The revised ECA includes recovery of 50 percent of the under recovered deferred account balance. The remaining 50 percent will be recovered in the next ECA, to be filed at the end of August 2014. The purpose of this proposal is to reduce the impact on customer bills.

Black Hills seeks a waiver of the ECA tariff provisions to accomplish this proposal. The waiver would be for the next two quarterly ECA recovery periods.

3. Black Hills is also requesting a waiver of the response time. Black Hills states it has conferred with Staff of the Commission and the Colorado Office of Consumer Counsel, both of whom support the Motion.

4. We find the Motion states good cause. We therefore grant the Motion and waive response time.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. The Motion for partial waiver from the requirements of Energy Cost Adjustment tariff, filed on June 23, 2014, by Black Hills/Colorado Electric Utility Company, LP, is granted and response time is waived.

2. This Decision is effective upon its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
June 25, 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
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