

Decision No. C14-1354-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 14A-1072E

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO FOR AN ORDER APPROVING CERTAIN UPDATED COMPONENTS USED TO CALCULATE THE ELECTRIC COMMODITY ADJUSTMENT.

**INTERIM DECISION GRANTING REQUESTS FOR
SHORTENED NOTICE AND PROCEDURAL DEADLINES**

Mailed Date: November 12, 2014

Adopted Date: November 12, 2014

TO THE PARTIES IN THIS MATTER AND ALL INTERESTED PERSONS, FIRMS, OR CORPORATIONS:

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement

1. This matter comes before the Commission for consideration of a request filed on November 3, 2014, by Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service or Company), to shorten the Commission notice period and to establish a deadline for substantive responses to the application for approval of updated components related to the calculation of the Company's Quarterly Electric Commodity Adjustment (ECA) rates (Application).

2. By the Application, Public Service requests approval of the annual updates of the following components: (a) Projected Jurisdictional Allocation Factor; (b) Projected Sales; (c) the On/Off Peak Price Ratio; and (d) Class Specific On-Peak Ratios. Because these components will be used to calculate the ECA in 2015, Public Service requests a decision approving (or modifying) these ECA factors prior to its filing on December 15, 2014, of its quarterly ECA to be effective January 1, 2015.

3. Public Service therefore requests a shortened intervention period of 7 days and a deadline for the filing of any substantive responses to the Application of 28 days. These deadlines are intended to accommodate a Commission decision on the Application on or before December 10, 2014.

B. Conclusion and Findings

4. The Application is available for public inspection at the Commission office located at 1560 Broadway, Suite 250, Denver, Colorado 80202, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., excluding weekends and state holidays. **This Decision is the notice that the Application for Approval of Updated Components Related to the Calculation of the Electric Commodity Adjustment has been filed.**

5. The Commission finds good cause to grant Public Service's request for a shortened Commission notice and intervention period of seven days. Requests for intervention, including a notice of intervention by right of the Staff of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission, shall be due on **November 19, 2014.**

6. To accommodate the anticipated accelerated procedural schedule, we shorten the deadline for filing responses to interventions to **November 26, 2014.**

7. Finally, we put all potential intervenors and interested persons on notice that, to accommodate the tight timeframes associated with this matter, the deadline for filing a substantive response to Public Service's Application shall be **December 3, 2014.**¹ This filing deadline must be met even if the Commission has not ruled on the requests to intervene as of that date. Potential parties are further put on notice that the Commission intends to rule on the merits of the Application at its weekly meeting on December 10, 2014.

¹ Public Service requests 28 days' response. Due to the requested intent to address the merits of the application prior to December 16, 2014, we find good cause to require filings be due December 3, 2014.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The request of Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service) to shorten Commission notice is granted. The notice period for the Application for Approval of Updated Components Related to the Calculation of the Electric Commodity Adjustment (Application) shall extend through and include **November 19, 2014**.

2. Any person desiring to intervene or participate as a party in this proceeding, including Staff of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission, shall file a petition for leave to intervene, or under the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, file other appropriate pleadings to become a party, **by November 19, 2014**. Alternatively, persons who do not wish to intervene or become a party, but desire to file comments, may send written comments addressed to the Public Utilities Commission, 1560 Broadway, Suite 250, Denver, Colorado 80202. All persons who file an objection, notice of intervention as of right, motion to permissively intervene, or any other appropriate pleading shall do so in accordance with the instructions set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure and this Decision.

3. The deadline for filing responses to any intervention filing is shortened to seven days. Responses to any petitions to intervene shall be filed no later than **November 26, 2014**.

4. The deadline for filing a substantive response to Public Service's Application shall be **December 3, 2014**. This filing deadline must be met even if the Commission has not ruled on the petitions to intervene as of that date.

5. The Commission may consider the Application without a hearing if no notice of intervention as of right or motion to permissively intervene is timely filed, or no notice of intervention as of right or motion to permissively intervene requests a hearing or contests or opposes the application.

6. If a hearing is required in this matter, the Commission will notify the parties of the hearing date, time, and location. Public Service must appear at the hearing, if one is set, and present evidence in support of its Application. Other parties may appear and present evidence in support of their position.

7. If a party does not meet the requirements of this Decision, the Commission may dismiss or strike the Application or intervention upon motion filed by any other party, or upon the Commission’s own motion, unless good cause for failure to meet the requirements is shown.

8. This Decision is effective upon its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS’ WEEKLY MEETING
November 12, 2014.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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