

Decision No. C14-1443

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO**

PROCEEDING NO. 14A-1140E

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APPLICATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL OF AN ALTERNATIVE FORM OF NOTICE AND FOR WAIVER OF RESPONSE TIME.

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**DECISION GRANTING APPLICATION  
FOR ALTERNATIVE FORM OF  
NOTICE AND WAIVING RESPONSE TIME**

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Mailed Date: December 8, 2014  
Adopted Date: December 3, 2014

**I. BY THE COMMISSION**

**A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions**

1. On November 28, 2014, Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service or the Company) filed an application requesting Approval of an Alternative Form of Notice and for Waiver of Response Time (Application) to apply to its filing to extend its Qualifying Facilities (QF) rate in the Company's P.U.C No. 7 – Electric Tariff (Electric Tariff) to become effective January 1, 2015.

2. Public Service states that it filed Advice Letter No. 1680 – Electric extending the current QF rate effective January 1, 2015.

3. According to Public Service, the principal proposed change is to extend the current Energy and Capacity Payment Rates, without change, applicable to QFs with a design capacity between 10 and 100 kW in the Company's Electric Purchase – Small Power Production and Cogeneration Facility Policy Section of its Electric Tariff until a new methodology is approved by the Commission.

4. In its Application, Public Service seeks authorization to use the following alternative form of notice:

- (a) filing of the change with the Commission and keeping the filing open for inspection;
- (b) publishing a legal notice, attached to the Application as Exhibit 1, in *The Denver Post*, on Monday December 1, 2014; and
- (c) serving copies deposited in the U.S. Mail to all qualifying facilities interconnected to the company's electric system at the time of the filing of this Application.

5. In support of its proposed alternative form of notice, Public Service contends that this notice procedure is less costly than the procedures prescribed by statute and the newspaper notice and U.S. mail notice to parties will provide the required information regarding the advice letter to the general public, including the estimated impact on QF customers.

6. The Application contains all of the information required by Commission rules and is therefore deemed complete.

7. The Commission finds good cause to grant the Application and waive response time. We find that the alternative form of notice proposed by Public Service is reasonable with respect to the stakeholders and the general public.

## **II. ORDER**

### **A. The Commission Orders That:**

1. The application filed November 28, 2014, by Public Service Company of Colorado (Company) requesting Approval of an Alternative Form of Notice and for Waiver of Response Time to apply to its filing to extend its Qualifying Facilities rate in the Company's P.U.C No. 7 – Electric Tariff to become effective January 1, 2015, is deemed complete and is granted.

2. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING  
December 3, 2014.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY



Doug Dean,  
Director

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CHAIRMAN JOSHUA B. EPEL  
ABSENT.