

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 14AL-0393E

IN THE MATTER OF ADVICE LETTER NO. 680 FILED BY BLACK HILLS/COLORADO ELECTRIC UTILITY COMPANY, LP TO REVISE ITS COLORADO PUC NO. 9 ELECTRIC TARIFF TO IMPLEMENT A GENERAL RATE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT TO INCREASE RATES, A NEW RIDER PURSUANT TO THE CLEAN AIR-CLEAN JOBS ACT, AND OTHER CHANGES, PROPOSED TO BE EFFECTIVE MAY 31, 2014.

**INTERIM DECISION SCHEDULING
TECHNICAL CONFERENCE**

Mailed Date: December 10, 2014

Adopted Date: December 10, 2014

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement

1. This Decision schedules a technical conference for the purpose of deriving the approved increase in the electric utility base rate revenues of Black Hills/Colorado Electric Utility Company, LP (Black Hills) and the associated General Rate Schedule Adjustment (GRSA) for effect on December 27, 2014, following our deliberations on exceptions to Decision No. R14-1298 issued October 28, 2014.

2. We direct Black Hills and the intervening parties that filed exceptions to Decision No. R14-1298 to participate in the session with Commission advisors. During the technical conference, Black Hills shall present its cost of service model, updated to reflect the Commission's findings and approved adjustments to its selected test year, as discussed during the deliberations held on December 10, 2014. Black Hills shall also present information on bill impacts associated with the approved rate increase in the manner typically used in advice letter filings.

3. Black Hills shall work with the intervening parties to resolve any discrepancies in the cost of service model that relate to the application of the Commission's findings and approved adjustments prior to the date of the technical conference. The parties will present proposals for resolution for any remaining discrepancy issues at the technical conference.

4. Black Hills shall file the updated cost of service model, the GRSA calculation, the Clean Air Clean Jobs rider calculation, and any other material to be presented at the technical conference no later than December 16, 2014. Electronic executable files shall also be provided to the Commission advisors.

5. The technical conference will be held before an Administrative Law Judge and it will be an on-the-record proceeding.

II. ORDER

A. It is Ordered That:

1. A technical conference regarding the issues described above shall be convened as follows:

DATE: December 18, 2014
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
PLACE: Commission Hearing Room A
1560 Broadway, Second Floor
Denver, Colorado

2. The technical conference shall be held before an Administrative Law Judge on the record.

3. Black Hills/Colorado Electric Utility Company, LP shall file the material to be presented at the technical conference on or before December 16, 2014, consistent with the discussion above.

4. This Decision is effective upon its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING,
December 10, 2014.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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

Doug Dean,
Director

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