

Decision No. C20-0912

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

PROCEEDING NO. 20L-0538ST

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING IT TO REVISE ITS STEAM COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021 UPON LESS THAN STATUTORY NOTICE.

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**COMMISSION DECISION AUTHORIZING  
A DOWNWARD REVISION  
TO THE STEAM COST ADJUSTMENT**

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Mailed Date: December 23, 2020  
Adopted Date: December 23, 2020

**I. BY THE COMMISSION**

**A. Statements, Findings, and Conclusions**

1. On December 15, 2020, Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service or Applicant) filed a verified application requesting a Commission decision authorizing it, without a formal hearing and on less-than-statutory notice, to decrease the Steam Cost Adjustment (SCA) Factor and place into effect on January 1, 2021, revised tariff pages resulting in a decrease to its existing SCA rate now on file with the Commission (Application).

2. The proposed tariff page is attached to the Application as Attachment No. 1, applicable to the Applicant's steam customers in Colorado.

3. In Decision No. R14-1217, Proceeding No. 14AL-0710ST, issued October 6, 2014, Public Service was authorized to file quarterly revisions to its SCA factor.

4. Public Service, by this Application, requests authority to revise its SCA in accordance with Public Service's P.U.C. No. 1 – Steam Tariff. The effect of this Application, if approved, will be a decrease in the rate to all of Applicant's steam customers of \$0.787 per

one thousand pounds. The net effect of the revision requested herein on Public Service's revenue will be a quarterly decrease of \$224,812 from the level of revenues yielded by the currently effective SCA on the forecasted sales volumes for the quarterly period from January 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021. The resulting rate decrease due to the SCA to Applicant's average steam customer is 3.27 percent.

5. The Commission finds good cause to allow the proposed rate decrease on less-than-statutory notice.

## **II. ORDER**

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

1. The application filed on December 15, 2020 by Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service) is deemed complete.

2. The application for authority to change tariffs on less-than-statutory notice is granted.

3. The application filed by Public Service requesting a decision of the Commission to decrease the Steam Cost Adjustment is granted.

4. Public Service is authorized to file, on not less than two days' notice and in a new proceeding, a new compliance advice letter and the tariff page attached as Appendix A and made a part of this Decision. The advice letter and revised tariff page shall be effective for actual steam sales on or after their effective date of January 1, 2021.

5. The 20-day time period provided by § 40-6-114, C.R.S., to file an application for rehearing, reargument, or reconsideration shall begin on the first day after the effective date of this Decision.

6. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING  
December 23, 2020.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY



Doug Dean,  
Director

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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