Decision No. C24-0488-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 24A-0296E

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO FOR APPROVAL OF ITS 2025-2027 WILDFIRE MITIGATION PLAN, WILDFIRE MITIGATION ADJUSTMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFF PLAN, AND THE RECOVERY OF ITS 2023 WILDFIRE MITIGATION PLAN DEFERRAL.

INTERIM COMMISSION DECISION GRANTING REQUEST FOR ALTERNATIVE FORM OF NOTICE

Issued Date:	July 9, 2024
Adopted Date:	July 3, 2024

I. <u>BY THE COMMISSION</u>

A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions

1. On June 27, 2024, Public Service Company of Colorado ("Public Service" or "the Company") filed a Motion for Commission Approval of an Alternative Form of Notice ("Motion") to apply to the Company's Application for Approval of its 2025-2027 Wildfire Mitigation Plan, Wildfire Mitigation Adjustment, Public Safety Power Shutoff Plan, and the Recovery of its existing 2023 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Deferral ("Application").

2. Public Service states that through the Application it seeks approval of its 2025-2027 Wildfire Mitigation Plan, including its mitigation activities, scopes of work, and budget proposals; Public Safety Power Shutoff Plan; proposed cost recovery mechanism and recovery of the existing Wildfire Mitigation Plan deferral; request to track and defer case expenses associated with this filing in a non-interest bearing account for future recovery; and tariff revisions necessary to implement the Company's proposals. 3. Public Service moves pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(E), C.R.S., and Rule 1207(b)

of the Rules of Practice and Procedure, 4 Code of Colorado Regulations ("CCR") 723-1, to provide

alternative forms of notice for the Company's filing to its customers. Public Service requests

Commission approval to use the following forms of notice:

- Posting the customer notice and proposed tariffs on the Company's public website pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I), C.R.S.
- Publishing a legal notice, in the form attached to the Motion as Attachment A, in *The Denver Post*, on a weekday for two consecutive weeks following the filing date, consistent with § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(A), C.R.S.
- Providing the customer bill onsert, attached to the Motion as Attachment B, to Public Service's electric customers with all mailed and e-billed customer bills, which are expected to be mailed or e-billed during a regular billing cycle over the course of approximately five weeks commencing approximately three weeks after this filing
- Providing an email to all electric customers enrolled in My Account during a regular billing cycle over the course of approximately five weeks commencing approximately three weeks after this filing, in the form attached to the Motion as Attachment C
- Providing email notification with a link to the bill onsert to Online View and Pay customers for whom the Company has an email address and who have elected to receive email notifications from the Company
- 4. Public Service maintains that good cause exists for the Commission to approve the

proposed alternative forms of notice, and this will avoid incurring the expenses associated with other forms of statutory notice. The Company concludes the proposed alternative forms of notice will be sufficient to alert affected and interested parties to the changes the Company is proposing.

5. Pursuant to § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(E), C.R.S., and Rule 1207(b), 4 CCR 723-1, a utility may request to provide alternative forms of notice of a tariff change. We find the alternative forms of notice the Company proposes in the Motion will provide sufficient notice in an efficient manner. We therefore find good cause to approve the alternative forms of notice that the Company requests.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The Motion for Commission Approval of an Alternative Form of Notice, filed by

Public Service Company of Colorado on June 27, 2024, is granted.

2. This Decision is effective upon its Issued Date.

B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING July 3, 2024.



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