Decision No. C24-0745

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 24V-0413EG

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO'S PETITION FOR A ONE-TIME PARTIAL VARIANCE FROM THE ELECTRIC AND GAS TARIFF REQUIREMENTS THAT IT FILE ON OCTOBER 1 FOR THE APPROVAL TO REVISE THE DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT COST ADJUSTMENT.

COMMISSION DECISION GRANTING PETITION AND WAIVING NOTICE AND INTERVENTION PERIOD

Issued Date: October 16, 2024 Adopted Date: October 2, 2024

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

A. Statement

1. On September 26, 2024, Public Service Company of Colorado ("Public Service" or the "Company") filed an unopposed petition seeking a one-time partial variance of the requirement in its electric and gas tariffs that it submit by October 1 of each year an advice letter for approval to revise its Demand-Side Management Cost Adjustment ("DSMCA") rider mechanism ("Petition"). Changes to the DSMCA take effect January 1 of the following year. By the Petition, Public Service seeks to submit its next DSMCA filings no later than November 29, 2024, for the DSMCAs effective January 1, 2025.

2. This Decision grants the Petition and waives the notice and intervention period.

B. Discussion, Findings, and Conclusions

3. Public Service seeks the extension of the DSMCA filings from October 1, 2024, to November 29, 2024, for two reasons. First, the Company is filing its Clean Heat Plan ("CHP")

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compliance filing by October 21, 2024. The Company explains putting in place the CHP compliance filing before the Company submits its DSMCA tariff changes for 2025 will avoid confusion and potentially avoid future rate change requests to the DSMCA. Second, by delaying its DSMCA tariff, the Company will be able to align 2025 DSM and CHP budgets which would promote greater understanding of the Company's rate changes and eliminate the need for a separate DSMCA rate update to reflect only the CHP 2025 budget. Public Service states it does not foresee the need for a similar extension in future years.

4. The Petition request specific variance form tariff Sheet No. 140E of Public Service's Colorado P.U.C. No. 8 – Electric tariff, in the section entitled "Annual Filings," and Sheet No. 42 of Public Service's Colorado P.U.C. No. 6 – Gas tariff.

5. The Company states that it circulated this Petition to the parties to Proceeding No. 23A-0589EG regarding the Company's 2024-2026 Demand-Side Management and Beneficial Electrification Plan, and none objected to the variance requested in this Petition. Accordingly, Public Service also seeks waiver of the notice and intervention periods for petitions provided for in Rules 1206(a) and (d) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-1.

6. We find good cause to grant the Petition. We likewise find good cause to waive the notice and intervention period for the Petition.

II. <u>ORDER</u>

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. The petition for a one-time partial variance of the requirement in its electric and gas tariffs to submit by October 1 of each year an advice letter for approval to revise the Demand-Side

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Management Cost Adjustment rider mechanism ("Petition") filed by Public Service Company of Colorado on September 26, 2024, is granted.

2. The intervention and notice period for the Petition is waived, consistent with the discussion above.

3. The 20-day period provided for in § 40-6-114, C.R.S., within which to file applications for rehearing, reargument, or reconsideration, begins on the first day following the effective date of this Decision.

4. This Decision is effective immediately upon its Issued Date.

ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING B. October 2, 2024.



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