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In The Matter Of The Application Of )  
Public Service Company Of Colorado (A) )  
For A Certificate Of Public Convenience )  
And Necessity For The San Luis Valley To )  
Calumet To Comanche Transmission )  
Project, (B) For Specific Findings With )  
Respect To EMF And Noise, And (C) For )  
Approval Of Ownership Interest Transfer )  
As Needed When Project Is Completed. )

Docket No. 09A-325E )

Eighth Set of  
Discovery Requests  
From  
Trinchera Ranch

Dated September 25, 2009

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**Discovery Request Trinchera Ranch8-6**

Does the estimated cost of the project referred to in the previous question include the estimated ongoing operating and maintenance (“O&M”) costs associated with the project? If no, please explain why the Company has not estimated such O&M costs. If yes, please provide the estimated O&M costs including all supporting data relied on by the Company in estimating the O&M costs.

**RESPONSE:**

Public Service objects to this data request to the extent the information sought is irrelevant and the data request is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. Notwithstanding and without waiving this objection, Public Service states as follows: The estimated project costs are capital investment costs only to site, design, procure material/equipment and construct the project. There are no operating and maintenance (O&M) costs identified or required for the construction of the project. The estimated project costs do not include any ongoing O&M costs associated with the project after it is completed.

**Sponsor:** Bob Anderson

**Response Date:** October 5, 2009

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