

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

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO) **DOCKET NO. _____**
FOR APPROVAL OF ITS 2011 ELECTRIC)
RESOURCE PLAN)

APPLICATION

Pursuant to Commission Rule 3603(a), Public Service Company of Colorado hereby applies for a Commission order approving the Public Service Company of Colorado 2011 Electric Resource Plan (the “2011 ERP”). Public Service is filing with this Application the three volumes of our 2011 ERP. Volume 1 of the ERP contains an Executive Summary that outlines the essential elements of our plan. Also accompanying this application is Public Service’s Direct Testimony in support of our 2011 ERP.

Public Service is also filing today the Company’s 2014 Renewable Energy Standard Compliance Plan. We are filing a separate motion to consolidate consideration of the 2014 RES Plan with consideration of our 2011 ERP.

Pursuant to Rule 3603(b), Public Service is filing a motion for extraordinary protection addressing the Highly Confidential Information that is listed in the 2011ERP as required by Commission Rule 3604(j).

Public Service respectfully requests that the Commission approve the Public Service Company of Colorado 2011 Electric Resource Plan.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY COMMISSION RULE 3002

Name and Address of the Applicant:

Public Service Company of Colorado
1800 Larimer Street, Suite 1400
Denver, CO 80202-5533

Name Under Which Applicant Provides Service in Colorado. All operations conducted by the Company in Colorado are conducted by Public Service Company of Colorado, under the trade name of Xcel Energy.

Representatives to Whom Inquiries Concerning the Application Should be Made.

Please send copies of all inquiries, notices, pleadings, correspondence, and other documents regarding this filing to:

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Agreement to Comply with 4 CCR 723-3002(b)(IV)-(VI). Public Service has read and agrees to abide by the provisions of subparagraphs (b)(IV) through (VI) of Commission Rule 4 CCR 723-3-3002.

Description of Existing Operations and General Colorado Service Area. Public Service provides electric and gas public utility service in numerous areas throughout the State of Colorado. The Company also provides steam utility service within the downtown area of Denver. A full listing of Public Service's existing operations and service area is set forth in Public Service's tariffs on file with the Commission.

Location of Hearing. Public Service requests that if a hearing is held on this Verified Application that it be held at the Commission's offices in Denver, Colorado.

Acknowledgment. Public Service acknowledges that the Company has read and agrees to abide by the provisions of Rule 3002 (b) (XI) (A) through (C).

Statement Under Oath. Paula M. Connelly, attorney for the Public Service, states under penalty of perjury that the contents of the Application are true, accurate, and correct to the best of her knowledge. Her affidavit is attached to this Application.

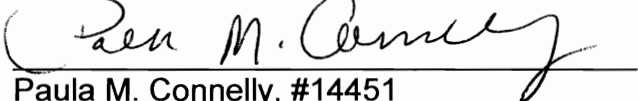
Information Required by Rule 3002(c). Pursuant to Rule 3002(c) of the Commission's Electric Rules, Public Service hereby incorporates by reference the following information, which is on file with the Commission in Docket No. 06M-525EG:

- a. A copy of Public Service's Amended Articles of Incorporation, which was last filed on October 3, 2006;
- b. The name, business address and title of each of Public Service's officers and directors, which was last filed on September 23, 2011;
- c. The names and addresses of affiliated companies that conduct business with Public Service, which was last filed on March 23, 2011;
- d. The name and address of Public Service's agent for service of process, which was last filed on October 3, 2006.

e. A copy of Public Service's most recent audited balance sheet, income statement, and statement of retained earnings was last filed on March 23, 2011.

Dated this 31st day of October, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

By: 

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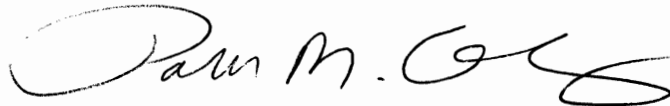
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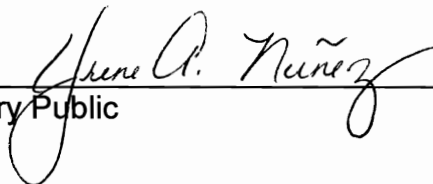
I, Paula M. Connelly, being duly sworn, do hereby depose and state that I am Managing Attorney, Xcel Energy Services Inc., agent for Public Service Company of Colorado, Applicant in the foregoing Application; that I have read the foregoing Application, and that the facts set forth therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.



Paula M. Connelly
Managing Attorney

Signed and sworn before me this 31st day of October 2011.

My Commission Expires: 12 September 2012



Notary Public