

**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 FOR APPROVAL OF ITS) PROCEEDING NO. 21A-_____EG
2022-2025 RENEWABLE ENERGY)
COMPLIANCE PLAN)

**MOTION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO FOR COMMISSION
APPROVAL OF AN ALTERNATIVE FORM OF NOTICE**

Public Service Company of Colorado ("Public Service" or the "Company"), through its undersigned counsel and pursuant to C.R.S. § 40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(E) and Rule 1207(b), 4 Code of Colorado Regulations (CCR) 723-1, hereby requests, to the extent necessary, that the Colorado Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") approve an alternative form of notice that will apply to Public Service's Application, illustrative tariffs, and any other tariff modifications needed to implement the Commission's final decision regarding the Company's 2022-2025 Renewable Energy Plan ("2022-25 RE Plan"). In support of this Motion, Public Service states as follows:

1. Contemporaneously with this Motion, the Company is filing its Application for approval of the Company's 2022-25 RE Plan. With this filing, Public Service is proposing a variety of changes to its existing renewable energy programming, as well as several new program offerings.

2. By this Motion, Public Service is seeking Commission approval to use the following alternative forms of notice for this Application (to the extent necessary):

- a. Publishing a legal notice, in the form attached hereto as Attachment 1, in *The Denver Post* for two (2) consecutive weeks, consistent with §40-3-104(1)(c)(I)(A), C.R.S;
- b. Posting the legal notice on the Company's public website;¹
- c. Publishing a copy of the complete RE Plan filing on the Company's website;² and,
- d. Sending an email to parties that participated in the 2020-21 RE Plan in Proceeding No. 19A-0369E.

3. Public Service additionally requests that the Commission find that by noticing its 2022-25 RE Plan Application now, this will serve as sufficient notice for any and all compliance Advice Letters that are necessary to implement the Commission's final decision issued in this Proceeding.

4. The alternative forms of notice listed above are less costly than the procedures prescribed by statute and will provide notice to affected customers. Posting the legal notice on the Company's public website will provide the required information regarding this filing to the general public. Additionally, the Company is requesting Commission authorization to provide notice through publication in *The Denver Post*, a newspaper of general circulation. Newspaper notice is a reasonable form of notice for

¹ https://www.xcelenergy.com/company/rates_and_regulations/filings

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https://www.xcelenergy.com/company/rates_and_regulations/filings/renewable_energy_plans_and_reports

this filing because it provides nearly all customers the opportunity to obtain notice of the filing.

5. Additionally, to avoid inundating its customers with e-mail and text notifications for all filings and the potential confusion that may result, it is the Company's policy to reserve emails to all customers for significant filings, such as rate case filings. The Company is concerned that sending frequent emails or texts to customers for noticing or regulatory messages will drive customers to unsubscribe or opt out of receiving emails or texts. The Company notes that text messaging is primarily used for outage and restoration information and not for noticing purposes. In lieu of sending e-mail and text notifications of the proposed changes to all customers, the Company is providing the alternative forms of notice listed above.

6. The alternative forms of notice listed above will provide the general public with sufficient information concerning the filing, including the estimated impact on customers, and how they can participate in the Commission process. The proposed alternative forms of notice are sufficient to alert affected and interested parties that the Company is proposing by this filing in a timely fashion. As such, there is good cause for the Commission to approve the alternative forms of notice requested by this Motion.

WHEREFORE, Public Service respectfully requests that the Commission approve the alternative forms of notice set forth in this Motion.

Dated this 20th day of December 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

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