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Compliance Advice No. 980 – Gas

Public Utilities Commission
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The accompanying tariff sheets issued by Public Service Company of Colorado (“Public Service or the “Company”) are sent for filing in accordance with the requirements of the Public Utilities Law and in compliance with Decision No. R20-0673 (the “Decision”) mailed on September 22, 2020, in Proceeding No. 20AL-0049G (the Company’s 2020 Gas Phase I and Phase II Rate Case) (“2020 Gas Rate Case”). Through the Decision, Administrative Law Judge Steven H. Denman approved an Unopposed and Comprehensive Amended Stipulation and Settlement Agreement (“Amended Settlement Agreement”), without material modification. By operation of law, the Decision became the Decision of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) on October 12, 2020. As detailed below, in compliance with the Decision, the Company is required to make this compliance Advice Letter filing on or before March 15, 2021, to be effective April 1, 2021. This is the second compliance Advice Letter filing required by the Decision.

COLORADO P.U.C. NO. 6 - GAS

and the following sheets are attached:

Colorado P.U.C. No. 6 Sheet No.		Title of Sheet	Cancels Colorado P.U.C. No. 6 Sheet No.	
Sixteenth Revised	14	Residential Gas Service	Fifteenth Revised	14
Eleventh Revised	15	Residential Gas Outdoor Lighting Service	2 nd Sub. Tenth Revised	15
Thirteenth Revised	16	Commercial - Small Gas Service	Twelfth Revised	16
Thirteenth Revised	17	Commercial - Large Gas Service	Twelfth Revised	17
Eighth Revised	18	Commercial Gas Outdoor Lighting Service	2 nd Sub. Seventh Revised	18

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Colorado P.U.C. No. 6 Sheet No.		Title of Sheet	Cancels Colorado P.U.C. No. 6 Sheet No.	
Eighth Revised	19	Interruptible Industrial Gas Service	Seventh Revised	19
Fifteenth Revised	29A	Firm Gas Transportation Service – Small	Fourteenth Revised	29A
Fourteenth Revised	30A	Firm Gas Transportation Service – Large	Thirteenth Revised	30A
Twenty-second Revised	31A	Interruptible Gas Transportation Service	Twenty-first Revised	31A
Seventh Revised	47A	Pipeline System Integrity Adjustment	Sixth Revised	47A
Fifth Revised	47B	Pipeline System Integrity Adjustment	Fourth Revised	47B
Thirteenth Revised	47C	Pipeline System Integrity Adjustment	Twelfth Revised	47C
First Revised	49B	Rate Deferral Surcharge	Original	49B

The Company’s 2020 Gas Rate Case was filed on February 5, 2020 and thereafter the parties to the case entered into the Amended Settlement Agreement, which, as mentioned above, was approved by the Decision. The first compliance Advice Letter (Advice No. 975-Gas) (“October 2020 Advice Letter”) required by the Decision was filed on October 16, 2020, which placed into effect the approved base rate revenue increases and associated rates for the Company’s natural gas customers as of November 1, 2020, as well as certain tariff language changes agreed to by the parties.

While the base rate revenue increase and associated rates were deemed effective as of November 1, 2020, in compliance with the Decision and Amended Settlement Agreement, such approved rates would not be implemented on customer bills until April 1, 2021. Rather, the incremental base rate revenues to which the Company was entitled for the period from November 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021 were required to be tracked and deferred (the “Deferred Incremental Revenue”) for subsequent collection through a Rate Deferral Surcharge (“RDS”) beginning April 1, 2021. The October 2020 Advice Letter therefore also included a new RDS Tariff, effective November 1, 2020, that reflected the Commission’s approval for the Company to track and defer the Deferred Incremental Revenue and ultimately collect it through the RDS beginning April 1, 2021, and continuing over the shoulder months of March (excluding March of 2021) to May and September to November, concluding by no later than October 31, 2022 (the “RDS Billing Dates”).

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Pursuant to and in compliance with the Decision, the Company is filing this second compliance advice letter on or before March 15, 2021, to be effective April 1, 2021, to implement the following changes previously approved by the Commission:¹

1. Implement on customer bills (and in the Tariff) the settled rates approved by the Decision;
2. Adjust the Pipeline System Integrity Adjustment (“PSIA”) rate to reflect (i) the transfer of certain previously-approved PSIA projects from the PSIA to base rates; (ii) movement of the PSIA Projects Base Amount to the PSIA; and (iii) removal of PSIA Projects Base Amount language from the Tariff;² and
3. Implement the RDS percentages effective April 1, 2021 and through the RDS Billing Dates, inclusive of the actual rate case expense true-up.

As required by the Decision, the following workpapers are attached in support of this filing:

Confidential & Public Attachment A – PSIA revenue requirement and rate calculation;
Attachment B – Actual rate case expenses and rate case expense true-up amount; and
Confidential & Public Attachment C – RDS calculation.

Although not required, estimated annualized bill impacts are also included as Attachment D.

In compliance with the Decision, this filing is being made available to all parties to the 2020 Gas Rate Case. In addition, as required by Commission Rule 1207(g), notice of this filing is being provided in Proceeding No. 20AL-0049G. While no other notice is required to be provided under either the Decision or Commission Rules, the Company will include a bill message on customer bills regarding these previously-approved changes, and further advising that they are unrelated to the recent cold weather event.

Prior to filing this compliance advice letter, the Company conferred with the parties to the Company’s 2020 Gas Rate Case regarding this compliance filing. The Company is authorized to represent that there are no objections from the parties.

It is desired that the tariffs accompanying this Advice Letter become effective on April 1, 2021, in compliance with the Decision.

¹ Decision at ¶90.

² These adjustments are administrative in nature, and are unrelated to the Company’s requested PSIA extension in Proceeding No. 21A-0071G.

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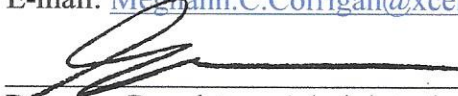
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