Notice of Intent to Initiate Closure Cherokee Station CCR Surface Impoundments

Pursuant to 40 CFR Part 257.102(g) and 257.105(i)(7) of the Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electrical Utilities Rule (Federal CCR Rule), finalized on April 17, 2015, Public Service Company of Colorado (PSCo), an Xcel Energy Company, has prepared and posted to its Operating Record this Notice of Intent (NOI) to initiate closure of three CCR surface impoundments at Cherokee Station in Adams County, Colorado. Under the Code of Colorado Regulations, 6 CCR 1007-2 Part 1, Section 9, an Engineering Design and Operations Plan (EDOP), including a Closure Plan, for these impoundments was approved by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) on November 8, 2017.

Three CCR surface impoundments West Ash Pond/Stormwater Pond, Center Ash Pond and East Ash Pond will be closed through the removal of CCR in accordance with the Federal CCR Rule \$257.102(c), the Written Closure Plan prepared pursuant to 40 CFR Part 257.102(b), and the Code of Colorado Regulations, 6 CCR 1007-2 Part 1, Section 9, Waste Impoundments. Pursuant to 40 CFR Part 257.102(h), a separate notice will be posted within 30 days of completion of closure.