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Advice No. 1835 – Electric

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#### COLORADO P.U.C. NO. 8 - ELECTRIC

and the following sheets are attached:<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Schedules RE-TOU and R-OO attached to this Advice Letter are the versions approved by Recommended Decision No. R20-0642 issued in Proceeding No. 19AL-0687E ("TOU Decision"), which will go into effect on January 1, 2021, with updated rates proposed in this proceeding as contemplated by the approved Unanimous and Comprehensive Stipulation and Settlement Agreement ("TOU Settlement") in that case.

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The primary purposes of this 2020 Electric Phase II rate case filing are to: revise the Company's Colorado P.U.C. No. 8 - Electric Tariff ("Electric Tariff") to eliminate the currently effective General Rate Schedule Adjustment ("GRSA") and General Rate Schedule Adjustment – Energy ("GRSA-E"), and place into effect revised base rates and other affected charges for all electric rate schedules in the Company's Electric Tariff, including updated Electric Affordability Program ("EAP"), load meter, and production meter charges. The revised base rates are based on a new Class Cost of Service Study ("CCOSS") reflective of the costs and load data from the Commission-approved test year in the Company's most recent Electric Phase I rate case, Proceeding No. 19AL-0268E ("2019 Phase I Rate Case") and on rate design principles explained by witnesses submitting Direct Testimony in support of the Company's requests. The proposed CCOSS reallocates among

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the Company's major customer classes the total annual revenue requirement of \$1,828,985,415 authorized by the Commission in the 2019 Phase I Rate Case, plus an additional \$6,600,000 to account for the EAP amount approved through an advice letter filing made on March 5, 2020 in Proceeding No. 20AL-0090E, for a total of \$1,835,585,415. In compliance with Decision No. C20-0473 in the 2019 Phase I Rate Case, this Advice Letter is being filed within 60 days from the date of implementation of the rates approved in the 2019 Phase I Rate Case, which was August 19, 2020.<sup>2</sup>

As discussed in this filing, the Company also proposes new and revised rate design and rate schedules, as well as a new Residential billing option, including the following:

- Eliminate the summer tiered rate structure for the standard Residential rate, Schedule R, consistent with the Commission's final decision approving the Settlement Agreement reached in the Company's recent Time of Use ("TOU") proceeding (Proceeding No. 19AL-0687E), wherein the Company agreed to present a proposal to eliminate the tiered rate structure in this proceeding, and proposing in this case a new seasonally differentiated flat rate for Schedule R.
- Make Schedule RD-TDR (Residential Demand Time-Differentiated Rate) a permanent rate option for Residential customers beginning January 1, 2022, after the current RD-TDR Pilot concludes on December 31, 2021, with revised hours proposed for the determination of billing demand.
- With respect to Schedule RD-TDR, additional tariff revisions were required in order to include the proposed permanent rate option, while at the same time maintaining the RD-TDR Pilot provisions until conclusion of the Pilot. Specifically, the references to the Low-Income provisions, opt-out and other pilot-related language will remain in effect until the Pilot ends on January 1, 2022, after which they will no longer be applicable to the permanent schedule, and the adjusted time periods for the Generation and Transmission Demand Charges in the permanent schedule will be implemented effective January 1, 2022. Additionally, the Company is adding the standard load meter charge that was inadvertently excluded when originally implemented.
- Introduce a new time-differentiated rate (Schedule C-TOU) for Small Commercial customers, which will become the default rate for Schedule C customers over time as they receive their Advanced Meter.<sup>3</sup> The C-TOU proposal is modeled after the RE-TOU approved in the TOU Settlement including an opt-out provision.
- Modify the riders applicable to the proposed Schedule C-TOU based on a percentage adjustment applicable to base energy charges for the following electric rate riders: Demand-Side Management Cost Adjustment, Purchased Capacity Cost Adjustment, Electric Commodity Adjustment ("ECA"), Transmission Cost Adjustment, and Clean Air Clean Jobs Act Rider.
- Increase the Schedule C (Small Commercial) winter / summer price ratios to 60 percent.

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Since the 60<sup>th</sup> day falls on a weekend, the deadline to file this case is October 19, 2020, the date of this filing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> An "Advanced Meter" includes Advanced Metering Infrastructure and interval data meters.

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- Change the Schedule SG (Secondary General), Schedule PG (Primary General) and Schedule TG (Transmission General) winter / summer price ratio for generation and transmission ("G&T") demand charges to 60 percent.
- Change Schedule PG G&T measured demand period to 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Implement a voluntary Flat Bill Payment Offering for Residential customers, which would be available for enrollment by interested customers beginning on August 1, 2022. Flat Bill, as described in this filing and supporting testimony, allows participating customers to have a customized, fixed monthly bill amount for the provision of utility service.

Another purpose of this filing is to make revisions to certain provisions of the Electric Tariff. The revisions range from substantive to administrative changes. The primary revisions to the Electric Tariff include the following:

- Add Schedule C-TOU to Schedule EAP to reflect that Schedule C-TOU will be included in the Commercial Rate Schedules that include EAP charges, as well as adding Schedule RE that was previously inadvertently missing from Schedule EAP.
- Update Schedule MEP regarding the (Medical Exemption Program) ("MEP"), and Schedule ECA, to eliminate references to tiered rates in Schedule R, and provide that the MEP will still be applicable to Schedule R, with the exemption applied to summer seasonal rates, and revise the reference to MEP costs in the ECA.
- Remove reference to "base energy rate" from all Standby Service schedules (Secondary, Primary and Transmission).
- Add "per service meter" to the S&F Charge for all rate schedules.
- Update the Distribution Extension Policy to provide additional clarity to certain defined terms and definitions, and also clarify the timing for certain invoices.
- Update the Meter Accuracy and Routine Meter Test Schedules to align the tariff with changes approved in the Electric Meter Sampling Program (Proceeding No. 08A-277E). The Company is aligning the tariff to reflect the random selection of samples and frequency of testing that was approved in Proceeding No. 08A-277E and not previously updated.
- Revise terms of its Rules and Regulations Measurement of Service tariff to modify that in the circumstances in which a customer meets the requirements of the Company's Electric Installation Standards, it is no longer necessary for an exception request to be submitted and approved by the Company.
- Administrative changes to the Table of Contents and Reserved for Future Filing Index to reflect changes made to other tariffs.
- Minor revisions to the Schedule of Charges for Rendering Service and the Averaged Monthly Payment Plan tariff.

In addition, the Company requests deferred accounting treatment for rate case expenses and incremental Schedule C-TOU expenses that have been incurred or are expected to be incurred as related to this Phase II Rate Case, estimated at \$875,679, which the Company will track and present for review and recovery in a future Phase I electric rate case.

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This filing does not affect the Company's annual revenue. The effect of this filing is to generate the same annual revenues approved by the Commission. Nonetheless, the Company's filing will impose different bill impacts on different types of customers. The dollar and percentage bill impacts on a typical customer served under each of our five major rate schedules are provided in the table below. The estimated average monthly customer bill impacts are based upon the differences between the rates proposed by the Company in this case and the currently effective rates (inclusive of the GRSA and GRSA-E), with all riders held constant at their levels as of the date of this filing, and using weighted average winter/summer rates.

Total Average Monthly Bill Impact on Annualized Rates				
	Current Monthly Bill	Proposed Monthly Bill	Monthly Dollar Change	Monthly Percentage Change
Residential - R	\$72.92	\$77.77	\$4.85	6.65%
Commercial - C	\$108.87	\$109.03	\$0.16	0.15%
Secondary General - SG	\$2,308	\$2,214	-\$93	-4.05%
Primary General - PG	\$38,388	\$37,398	-\$990	-2.58%
Transmission General - TG	\$613,975	\$573,928	-\$40,047	-6.52%

Consistent with Commission Rules and Colorado Statutes, the effective date for the rates and tariffs accompanying this Advice Letter is November 19, 2020. However, the Company requests that the tariffs be suspended by the Commission and that the Commission set a hearing on the proposed rates and tariff changes. For the reasons explained by Company witness Ms. Brooke A. Trammell, the Company requests an effective date of July 27, 2021, after suspension.

Pursuant to and as further detailed in the Motion for Alternative Form of Notice ("Motion") filed with the Commission contemporaneously herewith, the Company plans to provide notice to affected customers by publishing the Legal Notice attached to the Motion in <u>The Denver Post</u> for two consecutive weeks, posting the legal notice and this filing on its website,<sup>4</sup> including the bill onsert attached to the Motion with electric customer bills, both mailed and e-billed, by providing an email attached to the Motion to all electric customers for whom the Company has an email address and who have elected to receive email notifications from the Company, and by providing electronic notification to parties included within the certificate of service for the 2019 Phase I Rate Case.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://www.xcelenergy.com/company/rates\_and\_regulations/filings. Only public versions will be posted.

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In support of this Advice Letter and tariff changes, the Company is providing supporting Direct Testimony and Attachments of six witnesses.

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