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February 28, 2022

Mr. Doug Dean Director Public Utilities Commission 1560 Broadway, Suite 250 Denver, CO 80202

Re: Rule 3204 Report, January 28, 2022 Incident

Proceeding No. 22I-0086E

Director Dean:

In response to the Colorado Public Utilities Commission's request, Public Service Company of Colorado ("Public Service" or the "Company") submits this report consistent with Rule 3204, electric incident reporting, regarding a two-part event on the transmission system that impacted Public Service's Comanche Generating Station Unit 3 ("Comanche 3") on January 28, 2022.

On January 28, 2022 at 3:14 p.m., an incident occurred at the Comanche 3 Generator Breaker located at the Comanche Substation Yard in Pueblo, Colorado. Initially, there was an issue with a transmission breaker resulting in Comanche 3 tripping offline. Later that afternoon, an event in the substation tripped the 230 kilovolt ("kV") and 345 kV busses. This triggered an inrush of negative current that passed through to the Comanche 3 generator, resulting in a negative current sequence and motorization of the generator.

We commenced inspection and flew in specialized robotic equipment and a trained robotic operator to examine the unit after our initial boroscope indicated a more detailed inspection was warranted in order to determine next steps.

Upon completion of the initial inspection work, disassembly of the generator and discovery work commenced onsite at the Comanche station. On February 16, it was determined that it would be best to ship the rotor to Mechanical Dynamics & Analysis' (MD&A) facility in St. Louis for specialized discovery work and any needed repairs. The rotor was loaded and transported to MD&A's facility, arriving on February 21, 2022 and disassembly began on February 23, 2022.

According to the schedule provided by MD&A to Public Service, discovery work and damage assessment is expected to be completed by March 5, 2022. The Company is including this schedule as Confidential Attachment 1 to this report and will supplement this report as soon as practical after the assessments identified in the schedule are completed.

There were no physical injuries resulting from the incident, and we do not anticipate any impact with respect to the provision of reliable service to customers as a result of this incident. Further, we expect this to be an insurable event.

Confidential Attachment 2 to this report contains the names of all persons involved in this incident.

Pursuant to Commission Decision No. C22-0106, in Proceeding No. 22I-0086E, the Company was directed to include additional information including the estimated cost of the repairs associated with all damage resulting from the incident, a description of the repairs to be completed, the estimated date that Comanche 3 will be available to serve load, the impact, if any, on the provision of reliable service to customers, and the root cause of the incident.

Identification of repairs along with estimated cost of repairs associated with all damage resulting from the incident reported will not be known until full discovery is completed, which is anticipated to be on March 5, 2022 as explained above.

The estimated date that Comanche 3 will be available to serve load is unknown at least until after March 5, 2022, when discovery is expected to be completed. However, based on discovery work completed to date, the anticipated schedule of repairs is provided as Confidential Attachment 1 to this report. Based on that expected timing, Public Service expects Comanche 3 to return to service around upon travel restrictions and reinstallation of the rotor. The target date for returning to service is subject to the completion of all inspections and discovery work on March 5, 2022.

Public Service's root cause analysis of the incident is still in progress and will be provided to the Commission in a subsequent supplement to this report.

Due to the Amended Public Health Order 20-24 Implementing Stay at Home Requirements dated March 25, 2020, Ordering Coloradans to Stay at Home Due to the Presence of COVID-19 in the State, this submission will only be submitted via email. Public Service requests an exemption from the requirement to submit hard copies of this Rule 3204 Incident Report for Commission circulation.

Sincerely,

<u>/s/ Brooke A. Trammell</u>

Brooke A. Trammell

Regional Vice President, Rates and Regulatory Affairs

Enclosed:

Confidential Attachment 1 – MD&A Schedule Confidential Attachment 2 – Identification of Persons Involved in Incident

cc: Ronald Davis

Gene Camp, Deputy Director, CPUC