

**Re: In The Matter of the Application of** )  
**Public Service Company of Colorado** )  
**For Approval of its 2007 Colorado** )  
**Resource Plan** )  
 )  
**Docket No. 07A-447E** )

**First Set of Discovery Requests**  
**Of Ms. Glustrom**  
**Served On Public Service Company**

**January 22, 2008**

**DISCOVERY REQUEST LWG1-5:**

In response to discovery question LWG 2-11 in Docket 07A-107E, you provided the following information on coal contracts to me:

LWG 2-11b. And LWG 2-11c.

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Mine</u>	<u>Plant(s)</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>% Plant(s) Req</u>
Arch Coal Sales	Black Thunder	Arapahoe	12/31/2008	400,000	58%
Arch Coal Sales	Black Thunder	Arapahoe	12/31/2007	42,300	6%
Arch Coal Sales	Black Thunder	Arapahoe	12/31/2007	250,000	36%
Foundation	Belle Ayr	Comanche	12/31/2009	Requirements	100%
Foundation	Eagle Butte	Pawnee	12/31/2009	Requirements	100%
Bowie Resources	Bowie	Cherokee/Valmont	12/31/2007	400,000	14%
Rio Tinto	Colowyo	Cherokee/Valmont	12/31/2007	250,000	8%
Twentymile Coal Co.	Foidel Creek	Cherokee/Valmont	12/31/2007	2,000,000	68%
Twentymile Coal Co.	Foidel Creek	Cherokee/Valmont	12/31/2007	300,000	10%
CoalSales Co.	Twentymile	Hayden	12/31/2011	Requirements	100%
Central Appalachia	McClane Canyon	Cameo	12/31/2008	250,000	100%
Colowyo Coal Co.	Colowyo	Craig	12/31/2017		
Trapper Mining	Trapper	Craig	12/31/2014		

a) Is this information still correct?

b) For each contract that expired in 2007, please indicate the number of tons of coal in the expired contract and its price and the number of tons of coal and its price in the new contract. Please express all prices in both \$/ton and \$/ MMBtu. Please provide the expiration dates of the new contracts negotiated in 2007. [question continued on next page]

**DISCOVERY REQUEST LWG1-5 continued:**

c) For each contract that will expire in 2008, please provide the existing price in both \$ per ton and \$ per MMBtu and then provide an estimated percentage of change for that contract that will occur when the contract is renegotiated and an explanation of the factors considered in the estimate. I am particularly interested in evaluations related to geologic constraints and projected production costs. Please provide the source of all information used and wherever possible, please provide copies of the information relied on. For any contracts that you don't think you'll be able to renegotiate, please provide an explanation of why and what plans PSCo has for obtaining replacement coal.

**RESPONSE:**

- a) All information in this table is correct. An updated table is provided in the response to LWG1-5b.
- b) See Attachment LWG1-5. Pricing information is Highly Sensitive Confidential information and will not be provided.
- c) Doc 181171-10 Doc 183259 and Doc 181044 will be replaced with new contracts after a competitive bidding RFP process in mid-2008. The pricing under the existing contracts and replacement contracts is highly confidential. PSCo does not forecast coal prices, but instead relies upon industry experts and their professional opinions through paid subscriptions to proprietary reports protected by copyright. PSCo does not anticipate any problems replacing the coal with new contracts after current contracts expire.

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**Response Date:** February 12,

