

Dear Shareholder,

Public Service Company of Colorado has offered shareholders the ability to purchase additional shares through reinvestment of cash dividends and investment of voluntary cash payments.

The enclosed information is in response to your inquiry and may aid you in estimating the basis of your Public Service Company of Colorado stock investment. This is, of course, no substitution for your own records.

Quarterly common stock dividends from the Plan's inception through the current paid dividend appear on **DIVIDEND HISTORY** (p. 1). The stock price used to calculate Dividend Reinvestment and Optional Cash Payments appear on **DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT AND OPTIONAL CASH PAYMENTS** (pp. 2 and 3).

### **Dividend Reinvestment**

Common stock dividends have been and continue to be reinvested quarterly (February, May, August, November). From September 1977 to December 1984, preferred stockholders could reinvest their preferred dividends in common stock every quarter (March, June, September, December). The stock cost on dividend reinvestment day appears on the line DRP.

#### To calculate shares purchased through Dividend Reinvestment:

1. Multiply the number of shares owned by the dividends paid to determine the dividend income available to purchase shares.
2. Divided this amount by the stock price on the corresponding DRP line. This should be the number of shares you purchased.
3. *Remember:* Add these new shares to your previous total of shares owned before continuing calculations.

### **Optional Cash Payment**

The Optional Cash Payment plan began quarterly but changed to monthly in 1978. The stock cost on optional payment day appears on the line **OPT**.

#### To calculate shares purchased through Optional Cash Payment:

1. Divide the dollar amount submitted for purchase by the stock price on the corresponding OPT line. This should be the number of shares you purchased.
2. *Remember:* Add these new shares to your previous total of shares owned before continuing calculations.

***This information will only provide an estimate of your investment in Public Service Company of Colorado. It is not intended to be a duplicate of your individual account statement.***

Sincerely,

Shareholder Relations

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## DIVIDEND HISTORY

### DIVIDENDS PAID PER SHARE PUBLIC SERVICE CO OF COLORADO COMMON STOCK

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>FEB.</u>	<u>MAY</u>	<u>AUG.</u>	<u>NOV.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1951	.11666	.11666	.11666	.11666	.46664
1952	.11666	.11666	.11666	.11666	.46664
1953	.12916	.12916	.12916	.12916	.51664
1954	.13333	.13333	.13333	.13333	.53332
1955	.13333	.15	.15	.15	.58333
1956	.15	.15	.15	.15	.60
1957	.15	.15	.15	.15	.60
1958	.15	.15	.15	.15833	.60833
1959	.15833	.15833	.15833	.15833	.63332
1960	.15833	.15833	.15833	.175	.64999
1961	.175	.175	.175	.175	.70
1962	.175	.175	.20	.20	.75
1963	.20	.20	.20	.20	.80
1964	.20	.20	.20	.21	.81
1965	.21	.21	.21	.225	.855
1966	.225	.225	.225	.225	.90
1967	.225	.225	.25	.25	.95
1968	.25	.25	.25	.265	1.015
1969	.265	.265	.265	.265	1.06
1970	.265	.265	.28	.28	1.09
1971	.28	.28	.28	.28	1.12
1972	.28	.28	.29	.29	1.14
1973	.29	.29	.30	.30	1.18
1974	.30	.30	.30	.30	1.20
1975	.30	.30	.30	.30	1.20
1976	.325	.325	.325	.365	1.34
1977	.365	.365	.365	.365	1.46
1978	.365	.365	.365	.40	1.495
1979	.40	.40	.40	.40	1.60
1980	.40	.40	.40	.40	1.60
1981	.40	.42	.42	.42	1.66
1982	.42	.44	.44	.44	1.74
1983	.44	.46	.46	.46	1.82
1984	.46	.48	.48	.48	1.90
1985	.48	.50	.50	.50	1.98
1986	.50	.50	.50	.50	2.00
1987	.50	.50	.50	.50	2.00
1988	.50	.50	.50	.50	2.00
1989	.50	.50	.50	.50	2.00
1990	.50	.50	.50	.50	2.00
1991	.50	.50	.50	.50	2.00
1992	.50	.50	.50	.50	2.00
1993	.50	.50	.50	.50	2.00
1994	.50	.50	.50	.50	2.00
1995	.50	.51	.51	.51	2.03
1996	.51	.525	.525	.525	2.085
1997	.525	.525	.525	.115 (9/2/97)	

The company has paid dividends on its common stock every year since its organization in 1924 (1924-1943 paid dividends to Cities Service Company only). Company became publicly held in 1943 and continued paying dividends to shareholders.

**DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT AND ORIGINAL CASH PAYMENTS**  
Investment dates and stock prices

YEAR	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
1976												
DRP								\$14.880			\$17.690	
OPT								\$14.880			\$17.690	
1977												
DRP		\$18.190			\$18.690			\$19.438	\$18.062		\$17.563	\$18.625
OPT		\$18.190			\$18.690			\$19.438	\$18.062		\$17.563	\$18.625
1978												
DRP		\$17.188	\$16.313		\$16.625	\$16.688		\$17.563	\$17.000		\$16.125	\$17.125
OPT		\$17.188	\$16.313		\$16.625	\$16.688		\$17.563	\$17.000	\$18.250	\$16.125	\$17.125
1979												
DRP		\$16.813	\$16.188		\$15.875	\$15.750		\$15.813	\$16.125		\$13.438	\$14.250
OPT	\$16.813	\$16.813	\$16.188	\$16.625	\$15.875	\$15.750	\$16.250	\$15.813	\$16.125	\$15.000	\$13.438	\$14.250
1980												
DRP		\$12.113	\$11.044		\$12.469	\$13.181		\$12.291	\$11.994		\$11.816	\$13.300
OPT	\$13.563	\$12.750	\$11.625	\$11.438	\$13.125	\$13.875	\$14.750	\$12.938	\$12.625	\$13.688	\$12.438	\$14.000
1981												
DRP		\$13.835	\$13.656		\$13.360	\$13.300		\$12.944	\$13.241		\$13.063	\$13.954
OPT	\$14.375	\$14.563	\$14.375	\$14.563	\$14.063	\$14.000	\$14.500	\$13.625	\$13.938	\$13.125	\$13.750	\$14.688
1982												
DRP		\$13.004	\$13.656		\$14.250	\$14.963		\$14.013	\$15.022		\$14.904	\$15.200
OPT	\$13.013	\$13.688	\$14.375	\$15.250	\$15.000	\$15.750	\$15.438	\$14.750	\$15.813	\$15.688	\$15.688	\$16.000
1983												
DRP		\$16.447	\$16.625		\$16.506	\$16.566		\$15.794	\$16.210		\$16.804	\$17.338
OPT	\$17.375	\$17.313	\$17.500	\$17.000	\$17.375	\$17.438	\$16.813	\$16.625	\$17.063	\$17.813	\$17.688	\$18.250
1984												
DRP		\$16.685	\$16.625		\$15.854	\$16.150		\$16.329	\$16.744		\$17.338	\$17.516
OPT	\$18.250	\$17.563	\$17.500	\$17.625	\$16.688	\$17.000	\$17.563	\$17.188	\$17.625	\$18.250	\$18.250	\$18.438
1985												
DRP		\$19.000			\$21.188			\$21.250			\$20.326	\$20.300
OPT											\$20.050	\$20.300
1986												
DRP		\$20.656			\$20.496			\$20.011			\$18.781	
OPT	\$20.778	\$20.651	\$22.175	\$21.424	\$20.424	\$19.050	\$19.869	\$19.997	\$21.300	\$18.113	\$18.781	\$18.194
1987												
DRP		\$19.345			\$19.925			\$22.329			\$18.775	
OPT	\$18.830	\$18.871	\$21.478	\$21.050	\$19.686	\$20.550	\$22.300	\$21.800	\$21.675	\$20.550	\$19.425	\$20.303
1988												
DRP		\$21.124			\$21.427			\$21.675			\$20.905	
OPT	\$20.759	\$20.550	\$23.042	\$21.888	\$20.800	\$21.550	\$23.675	\$21.791	\$21.300	\$21.800	\$20.675	\$20.503

DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT AND OPTIONAL CASH PAYMENTS  
Investment dates and stock prices

YEAR	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
1989												
DRP		\$21.085			\$21.467			\$24.129			\$24.735	
OPT	\$21.675	\$21.050	\$20.675	\$20.294	\$21.300	\$22.175	\$22.800	\$24.425				
OC								\$24.375	\$25.062	\$24.500	\$25.075	\$26.562
1990												
DRP		\$24.250			\$20.189			\$20.491			\$20.431	
OC	\$24.562	\$25.000	\$24.000	\$20.750	\$21.562	\$21.500	\$20.625	\$20.750	\$20.750	\$22.062	\$21.075	\$23.000
1991												
DRP		\$20.915			\$22.250			\$22.431			\$23.705	
OC	\$21.687	\$22.125	\$22.875	\$23.250	\$23.875	\$22.438	\$23.062	\$23.438	\$23.938	\$24.375	\$25.438	\$26.500
1992												
DRP		\$25.281			\$25.038			\$27.403			\$26.615	
OC	\$25.313	\$26.188	\$26.313	\$26.500	\$26.375	\$26.188	\$26.938	\$28.375	\$28.438	\$28.125	\$27.625	\$28.688
1993												
DRP		\$27.221			\$28.555			\$30.798			\$28.919	
OC	\$27.875	\$28.813	\$29.750	\$30.188	\$29.563	\$30.625	\$32.063	\$31.438	\$32.188	\$30.000	\$28.688	\$31.438
1994												
DRP		\$30.010			\$28.494			\$27.125			\$27.063	
OC	\$30.688	\$28.875	\$30.375	\$29.563	\$26.313	\$26.250	\$26.688	\$26.750	\$25.063	\$26.750	\$27.188	\$29.075
1995												
DRP		\$30.563			\$30.125			\$31.438			\$34.125	
OC	\$29.688	\$30.375	\$29.688	\$29.563	\$30.688	\$31.875	\$31.063	\$31.250	\$33.000	\$33.813	\$33.875	\$35.438
1996												
DRP		\$35.875			\$33.063			\$35.625			\$37.000	
OC	\$35.813	\$35.188	\$34.563	\$32.813	\$33.625	\$33.938	\$35.125	\$36.625	\$35.188	\$36.000	\$38.938	\$38.250
1997												
DRP		\$39.063			\$38.688			\$41.108				
OC	\$38.875	\$38.875	\$39.188	\$38.313	\$40.188	\$41.625	\$41.657					

DRP Market price or discounted price when discount was available

OPT Optional cash invested 1st of the month

OC Optional cash invested 20th of the month