

PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT

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PSC Will Construct New Generating Plant

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Construction of a new generating plant will be started by the Public Service Co. north of Denver around July 1, J. E. Loiseau, president, said Friday in commenting on a new common stock issue.

The new Cherokee Station will be built on a recently acquired tract of land lying between Franklin and York sts. near E. 60th ave. The first unit will have 100,000 kilowatt capacity and the entire plant will, when completed, be rated at 1 million kilowatts.

Public Service Co. officials said the new Cherokee plant probably will be the last major plant to be operated by conventional fuel and that new plants in the area would be operated by atomic energy.

The company filed a registration certificate Friday with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering the proposed common stock issue.

Around June 3, present stockholders will be offered a total of 275,464 additional shares of common stock on the basis of one new share for each 10 currently held.

Proceeds from the stock sale will be used in the company's construction program. It is estimated that \$80 million will be spent on construction this year and in 1956 and 1957.

Of the total, \$33 million is earmarked for additional power projects, including the start on the Cherokee plant.

Also included is the completion of a new 100,000-kilowatt unit at the Arapahoe Station in Denver, and a 15,000-kilowatt addition in the Grand Junction area.

Additions to electric transmission lines will require \$11 million and electric distribution facilities will require \$17 million.

Gas department additions and extensions will require \$16 million and additions to garage and service buildings and equipment purchase will take another \$3 million, Loiseau said.

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PSC to Spend \$80 Million

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Anticipated proceeds of some \$13,000,000 from the proposed new common stock issue of Public Service Co. of Colorado will go toward the utility's continuing construction program.

President J. E. Loiseau said Friday that program is currently estimated at \$80,000,000 for 1955, 1956 and 1957.

The company filed with the securities and exchange commis-

sion Friday a registration statement on its proposed issue of 275,464 additional shares to stockholders. In addition, the company plans to sell to its employees 27,546 shares or a total of 303,010 shares.

About June 3, stockholders of record will be offered one new share for each 10 held. The price will be fixed shortly before the offering. Rights will expire about June 20.

HEARING SET MAY 17

Hearing on application of the company to issue the stock has been scheduled by the state public utilities commission for 9:30 a. m. May 17 in room 330 State Office Bldg.

Loiseau said in a letter to stockholders that it was expected that the offering, when made, would be underwritten.

The firm's proposed three-year outlay will include \$33,000,000 for additional power projects, including completion of the 100,000-kilowatt unit at Arapahoe Station, a 100,000-kilowatt unit at the new Cherokee Station in Denver, a 15,000-kilowatt addition in the western part of the company's territory and \$3,000,000 toward construction of the second 100,000-kilowatt unit at the Cherokee Station.

Additions to electric transmission lines will cost \$11,000,000 while \$17,000,000 will be required for electric distribution lines.

The gas department will require \$16,000,000 and additions to garages and service buildings and automotive and other equipment \$3,000,000.