



THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SHALL, WHEN RULING ON INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLANS AND OTHER DECISIONS RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION, PURCHASE OR CONTRACTING OF GENERATION RESOURCES, GIVE DUE CONSIDERATION TO THE WATER INTENSITY DEMANDS OF DIFFERENT GENERATING RESOURCES.

WHEN A DROUGHT HAS BEEN DECLARED IN COLORADO FOR TWO CONSECUTIVE YEARS, THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SHALL PRIORITIZE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND THE LOWEST WATER INTENSIVE RESOURCES IN THESE DECISIONS. THIS PRIORITIZATION SHALL REMAIN IN PLACE FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR FOLLOWING THE NEXT NON-DROUGHT YEAR.

UTILITIES IN THE STATE OF COLORADO SHALL CONSIDER IN THEIR LOADING ORDER AND DISPATCH DECISIONS AS WELL AS CONTRACTING AND PURCHASING DECISIONS, THE WATER INTENSITY OF ENERGY GENERATION RESOURCES.

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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION SHALL OPEN AN INVESTIGATORY DOCKET TO IDENTIFY AND QUANTIFY THE WATER ENERGY NEXUS RELATED TO GENERATION, CONSUMPTION, TREATMENT AND TRANSPORTATION OF WATER RESOURCES WITHIN THEIR TERRITORY.

THE INVESTIGATORY DOCKET SHALL ATTEMPT TO QUANTIFY THE FOLLOWING:

- THE ENERGY VALUE OF DEMAND SIDE WATER CONSERVATION AND IF SUCH DEMAND SIDE REDUCTION MAY HAVE A VALUE WITHIN COMPLIANCE WITH THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY REDUCTIONS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SECTION 40-3.2-101
- THE ENERGY INTENSITY, QUANTITY AND VALUE OF WATER CONSERVATION ACROSS A PORTFOLIO OF POSSIBLE ENERGY GENERATION TECHNOLOGIES FOR THE COMMISSION'S CONSIDERATION WHEN EVALUATING UTILITY GENERATION INVESTMENTS.