

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UW 109

In the Matter of	)	
	)	
CLINE BUTTE UTILITY COMPANY	)	PREHEARING
	)	CONFERENCE
Application for authorization to increase the	)	REPORT
company's total annual revenues by \$102,414,	)	
or 20 percent.	)	

On April 27, 2005, an open house and prehearing conference were held at the Eagle Crest Hotel in Bend, Oregon. Cline Butte Utility Company and Staff filed appearances. Mr. Leroy Henrich was granted party status as an intervenor in a prior related docket, UW 105. He is granted party status as an intervenor in this docket, as well.

The parties also agreed that the issues in this docket are standard rate issues, including revenues and expenses, proposed adjustments, rate of return, rate spread and design, and rate base. The parties agreed to the following schedule, which I adopted at the conference:

Petitions to Intervene Due	May 11, 2005
Deadline for Data Requests	May 11, 2005
Deadline for Responses to Data Requests	May 25, 2005
Deadline for Intervenor Data Requests	May 25, 2005
Deadline for Responses to Intervenor DR's	May 31, 2005 noon
Settlement Conference (in Bend, OR)	June 2, 2005, likely in evening
Staff & Intervenor Direct Testimony Due	June 16, 2005
Evidentiary Hearing (in Bend, OR)	July 7, 2005

Data requests and responses are not to be filed with the filing center or given to the Administrative Law Judge. The dates for filing are considered "in-hand" dates. Staff will issue a notice for the settlement conference to interested persons and parties indicating the time and place of the conference.

Finally, I refer the parties to the Administrative Hearings Procedures for contested case proceedings, located at [www.puc.state.or.us](http://www.puc.state.or.us) under the heading "Commission Overview."

Dated this 29th day of April, 2005, at Salem, Oregon.

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Christina M. Smith  
Administrative Law Judge