

November 26, 2007

TO: UW 120 Parties

RE: Notice of *Ex Parte* Communication

On November 14, 2007, James Rooks, on behalf of the Crooked River Ranch Water Company (CRRWC), sent certified mail to each of the three Public Utility Commission of Oregon Commissioners. The mail contained a one-page cover memorandum and a copy of the company's opening brief. The cover memorandum states, in its entirety:

We are enclosing a copy of the opening brief filed by the Crooked River Ranch Water Co-op concerning rate case UW 120. As we have stated previously, we do not believe that you will be given the company's side of the issue, and we are in hopes that a fair verdict will be rendered.

The mail packets sent to each Commissioner constituted *ex parte* communications under OAR 860-012-0015. The purpose of this letter is to notify all parties in docket UW 120 of the communication in compliance with our rules. A copy of CRRWC's opening brief has already been provided by the company to all parties.

Pursuant to OAR 860-012-0015(7), any party may file a written rebuttal to the *ex parte* communication, with service to other parties to the proceeding.

Michael Grant
Chief Administrative Law Judge
Public Utility Commission of Oregon