

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1182

In the Matter of an Investigation Regarding)
Competitive Bidding.) RULING

DISPOSITION: SCHEDULE MODIFIED

The current schedule calls for parties to simultaneously file opening and reply comments on September 9 and 30, respectively. On September 2, 2005, Staff filed a motion to modify the schedule, stating that the parties have generally agreed on a process of creating straw proposals to which comments will be addressed. The parties need additional time to finish the straw proposals, and to draft and file opening and reply comments. Staff asks to change the dates for opening and reply comments to September 30 and October 21, respectively. Staff indicates that it has notified all parties of its plan to request this schedule modification, and no party has voiced an objection.

This request essentially moves the schedule by three weeks. In light of the numerous issues being addressed by the parties, the request is not unreasonable. In fact, creation of uniform points of reference should assist the Commission in making a determination on this matter. I find that good cause has been shown for modifying the schedule. Opening comments are due September 30, 2005, with reply comments due October 21, 2005.

Dated this 6th day of September, 2005.

Kathryn A. Logan
Administrative Law Judge