

1  
2  
3 **BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**  
4 **OF OREGON**

5 UW 195

6 In the Matter of

7 SALMON VALLEY WATER COMPANY,

8 Request for General Rate Revision.

STAFF'S MOTION TO SUSPEND AND  
AMEND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

*Expedited Consideration Requested*

9  
10 Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Staff) asks the Administrative Law  
11 Judge (ALJ) to suspend the dates for testimony to allow amendment of the procedural schedule  
12 for the remainder Docket No. UW 195. Further Staff requests the ALJ set a scheduling  
13 conference, to set the dates for additional filings in this case. Staff circulated this motion with all  
14 parties and received support from Salmon Valley, and no response from intervenors.

15 Staff and Salmon Valley Water Company (Salmon Valley or Company), collectively the  
16 Stipulating Parties, have reached a settlement in principle that resolves all issues in this  
17 proceeding. However, intervenors Marie and Brian Lauterbach oppose the terms of the proposed  
18 settlement. Since the intervenors are an unrepresented party, legal briefing may be infeasible.  
19 Consequently, Staff believes that an amended procedural schedule is necessary and should  
20 include the following: 1) Submission of Stipulations and Supporting Testimony by the  
21 Stipulating Parties; 2) Response Testimony by intervenors; and 3) Reply Testimony by the  
22 Stipulating Parties. Staff would support the inclusion of hearings and briefs to the extent  
23 required.

24 At a prehearing conference held on March 22, 2023, the ALJ adopted a  
25 procedural schedule for this docket. Staff now asks to suspend that schedule and allow  
26 amendment accounting for the Stipulating Parties agreement to settle all issues in this docket.

1 Staff requests expedited consideration of this motion because opening testimony by Staff and  
2 Intervenors is currently due July 24, 2023.

3 **Conclusion**

4 Based on the foregoing, Staff respectfully requests an order amending the procedural  
5 schedule.

6 DATED this XX day of July 2023.

7 Respectfully submitted,

8 ELLEN F. ROSENBLUM  
9 Attorney General

10 */s/ Natascha Smith*

11 \_\_\_\_\_  
12 Natacha Smith, OSB # 174661  
13 Assistant Attorneys General  
14 Of Attorneys for Staff of the Public Utility  
15 Commission of Oregon  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25  
26