

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of)	
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CROOKED RIVER RANCH WATER)	
COMPANY)	RULING
)	
Request for rate increase in total annual)	
revenues from \$806,833 to \$868,453, or)	
8.13 percent.)	

**DISPOSITION: MOTION TO COMPEL GRANTED;
TIME SHORTENED FOR REPLIES**

On July 31, 2007, Intervenor Craig Soule (Soule) filed a motion to compel data request responses from Crooked River Ranch Water Company (Crooked River or the Company). Crooked River did not file any response to Mr. Soule’s motion.

Mr. Soule states that he served the data requests on Crooked River on July 5 and July 12, 2007. He has received no response. His efforts to confer with Crooked River regarding this matter have been unsuccessful.

In his motion, Mr. Soule states the content of the data requests and explains their relevance. The queries relate directly to the subject matter of this proceeding and are highly relevant.

I note that I previously have granted a motion to compel filed by Mr. Soule and have issued him a subpoena duces tecum for the production of the documents required by the motion. I further note that Crooked River has not filed any reply or conferred with Mr. Soule regarding its responses to his data requests.

Apparently the Company believes that it may ignore the data requests and disregard the motions to compel. In light of the Company’s actions, I shorten time for the Company to reply to any further motions to compel to five days.

The schedule calls for the submission of Staff and intervenor testimony on September 7, 2007, and the Company's rebuttal testimony on September 21, 2007. I do not intend to extend these dates.

Staff and intervenors may submit their testimony and ask that the Commission impute whatever values they may consider reasonable or whatever presumptions they believe are fair, where the Company's data request responses have been deficient. The Company's rebuttal case will be limited to information that has been provided to parties through discovery.

The schedule allows for discovery on the Company's rebuttal testimony. In the event the Company does not respond fully to discovery by Staff and Intervenors, the Company's rebuttal testimony will be stricken.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Within five days, Crooked River shall provide full and complete answers to Mr. Soule's data request nos. 2 through 6 and 7 through 15.
2. The time for Crooked River to respond to motions to compel is shortened to five days.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 21st day of August, 2007.

Patrick Power
Administrative Law Judge