BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of)	
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CLINE BUTTE UTILITY COMPANY)	PREHEARING
)	CONFERENCE
Request for a general rate increase in the)	REPORT
amount of \$23,198, or 5 percent.)	

On February 17, 2005, a prehearing conference was held. The purpose of the prehearing conference was to identify issues, identify parties and interested persons, and establish a procedural schedule.

The Cline Butte Utility Company (Company) and Commission Staff (Staff) entered appearances. They agreed to a procedural schedule, which I adopted. Since the prehearing conference, I determined that persons should have more time in which to file petitions to intervene. Therefore, I changed the due date for petitions to intervene from March 2 to March 11, 2005. The following schedule is adopted:

EVENT	DATE
Petitions to Intervene Due	March 11, 2005
Settlement Conference	March 31, 2005
Data Requests to Company Due	April 6, 2005
Company Data Responses Due	April 20, 2005
Staff & Intervenor Testimony Due	May 12, 2005
Evidentiary Hearing	May 26, 2005

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.

Staff will issue a notice for the settlement conference to interested persons and parties indicating the time and place of the conference.

On February 17, 2005, Mr. Leroy Henrich filed a petition to intervene as Director of Eagle Ridge Homeowners Association. He has sufficient interest in the proceeding, and his appearance and participation will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. *See* OAR 860-013-0021. The petition is granted.

Dated this 1st day of March, 2005.