

February 4, 2005

Carole J. Washburn, Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
P. O. Box 47250
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: *WUTC v. Cougar Ridge Water System*
Docket No. UW-040367

Dear Ms. Washburn:

This is to inform you that the Grays Harbor Superior Court granted Cougar Ridge's motion for a stay of the Commission's Order No. 03 pending a final decision by that court on Cougar Ridge's petition for judicial review. A copy of the letter ruling from Judge McCauley is enclosed.

Because the Commission's Order No. 3 is enjoined, it would appear that this proceeding, including further prehearing conferences, should be held in abeyance pending the Court's final ruling on the merits of Cougar Ridge's petition.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures
cc: Theodora Mace, ALJ
Thomas Brown