

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND)	DOCKET UW-071885
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,)	
)	ORDER 02
Complainant,)	
)	PREHEARING CONFERENCE
v.)	ORDER;
)	
ILIAD WATER SERVICE, INC.,)	NOTICE OF PREHEARING
)	CONFERENCE
Respondent.)	(Tuesday, May 20, 2008,
)	at 9:30 a.m.)
)	
)	NOTICE OF HEARING
)	(Thursday, May 22, 2008,
)	at 9:30 a.m.)
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- 1 **NATURE OF PROCEEDING.** Docket UW-071885 involves a filing by Iliad Water Service, Inc. (Iliad or Company), to revise its currently effective Tariff WN-U-1 to increase the Company’s basic service rates for customers on the Alder Lake, Stavis, and Cascade Crest water systems.
- 2 **CONFERENCE.** The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) convened a prehearing conference in this docket at Olympia, Washington on Wednesday, January 9, 2008, before Administrative Law Judge Ann E. Rendahl.
- 3 **APPEARANCES.** Richard A. Finnigan, attorney, Olympia, Washington, represents Iliad. Michael Fassio, Assistant Attorney General, Olympia, Washington, represents the Commission’s regulatory staff (Commission Staff or Staff).¹ Contact information provided at the conference for the parties’ representatives is attached as Appendix A to this order.

¹ In formal proceedings, such as this, the Commission’s regulatory staff functions as an independent party with the same rights, privileges, and responsibilities as other parties to the proceeding. There is an “*ex parte* wall” separating the Commissioners, the presiding Administrative Law Judge, and the Commissioners’ policy and accounting advisors from all parties, including regulatory staff. RCW 34.05.455.

- 4 **PETITIONS FOR INTERVENTION.** No party filed petitions for intervention or appeared at the conference seeking to intervene.
- 5 **PROTECTIVE ORDER.** The parties ask that the Commission enter a protective order in this docket under RCW 34.05.446, RCW 80.04.095, WAC 480-07-420 and WAC 480-07-423 to protect the confidentiality of proprietary information. The request was granted and a protective order will be entered in this docket.
- 6 **DISCOVERY.** Discovery will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's discovery rules, WAC 480-07-400 – 425. The Commission urges the parties to work cooperatively together to avoid having to bring discovery matters forward for formal resolution.
- 7 **PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE.** The parties agreed on a procedural schedule during the conference. The Commission adopts this procedural schedule, which is attached to this Order as Appendix B.

Company Initial Testimony and Exhibits	March 7, 2008
Staff Responsive Testimony and Exhibits	April 3, 2008
Deadline to Notify ALJ of preferred Date for public comment hearing	April 15, 2008
Company Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibits	May 1, 2008
Deadline for witness lists, cross- examination estimates and exhibits	May 19, 2008, by NOON
Prehearing Conference	May 20, 2008,
Hearing	May 22, 2008
Public Comment Hearing	TBD
Initial Briefs	June 25, 2008
Responsive Briefs	July 11, 2008
Initial Order	August 6, 2008
Petitions for Review	August 26, 2008
Answers to Petitions for Review	September 5, 2008

**Final Commission Order, End of
Suspension Period.**

October 1, 2008

- 8 **SETTLEMENT CONFERENCES.** The parties requested that settlement conferences or discussion in this docket be consolidated or occur jointly with settlement discussions in Docket UW-060343, in which Judge Dennis J. Moss is the assigned settlement judge. This request was granted, and Judge Moss has agreed to serve as a settlement judge for both this docket and Docket UW-060343. The parties should contact Judge Moss to schedule dates for settlement discussions.
- 9 **NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE.** The Commission will convene a prehearing conference in this matter on **May 20, 2008, beginning at 9:30 a.m.**, in the Commission's hearing room, Room 206, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington, for the purpose of distributing exhibits to be used on cross-examination, for marking exhibits, and for addressing any procedural questions the parties or the Commission may raise. Objections to prefiled exhibits must be made no later than the time of this conference.
- 10 **NOTICE OF HEARING.** The Commission will hold an evidentiary hearing in this matter on **May 22, 2008, beginning at 9:30 a.m.**, in Room 108, First Floor, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.
- 11 **DOCUMENT PREPARATION AND FILING REQUIREMENTS.** Parties must file an original plus three (3) copies of all pleadings, motions, briefs, and other prefiled materials. These materials must conform to the format and publication guidelines in WAC 480-07-395 and WAC 480-07-460. The Commission prefers that materials be three-hole punched with *oversized* holes to allow easy handling. The Commission may require a party to refile any document that fails to conform to these standards.
- 12 All filings must be mailed or delivered to the Executive Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 47250, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive, S.W. Olympia, Washington 98504-7250. Both the post office box and street address are required to expedite deliveries by the U.S. Postal Service.
- 13 An electronic copy of all filings must be provided through the Commission's Web Portal (www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing) or by e-mail delivery to records@utc.wa.gov. Alternatively, parties may furnish an electronic copy by delivering with each filing a

3.5-inch IBM-formatted high-density diskette or CD including the filed document(s). Parties must furnish electronic copies in MS Word 6.0 (or later) supplemented by a separate file in .pdf (Adobe Acrobat) format. Parties must follow WAC 480-07-140(5) in organizing and identifying electronic files.

14 **ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS.** Pursuant to WAC 480-07-145(6), the presiding officer may grant parties a one-day extension of the paper-filing requirement, allowing electronic submission of documents with the Commission on the filing deadline. Parties may only submit documents electronically with the Commission in this proceeding with the permission of the presiding officer. If, at any time during this proceeding, parties are authorized to submit documents with the Commission electronically under WAC 480-07-145(6), Parties must submit the document through the Commission's Web Portal (www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing) or by e-mail to records@utc.wa.gov, with a courtesy copy to the presiding officer, and file an original, plus three (3) copies, of the document with the Commission by the following business day.

15 **NOTICE TO PARTIES: A party who objects to any portion of this Order must file a written objection within ten (10) calendar days after the service date of this Order, pursuant to WAC 480-07-430 and WAC 480-07-810. The service date appears on the first page of the order in the upper right-hand corner. Absent such objection, this Order will control further proceedings in this matter, subject to Commission review.**

Dated at Olympia, Washington, and effective January 11, 2008.

WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

ANN E. RENDAHL
Administrative Law Judge

APPENDIX A

**PARTIES' REPRESENTATIVES
DOCKET UW-071885**

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**APPENDIX B
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
DOCKET UW-071885**

EVENT	DATE	INTERVAL
Filing deadline for Company Initial Testimony and Exhibits	Friday, March 7, 2008	--
Filing deadline for Staff Responsive Testimony and Exhibits	Thursday, April 3, 2008	27 days
Deadline for notifying ALJ of preferred date for Public Hearing	Tuesday April 15, 2008	12 days
Filing deadline for Company Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibits	Thursday, May 1, 2008	16 days
Deadline to submit witness lists, cross-examination estimates, cross-examination exhibits	Monday, May 19, 2008, by Noon	18 days
Prehearing Conference	Tuesday, May 20, 2008, at 9:30 a.m.	1 day
Hearing	Thursday, May 22, 2008, beginning at 9:30 a.m.	2 days
Public Comment Hearing	TBD	--
Filing Deadline for Initial Briefs	Wednesday, June 25, 2008	34 days
Filing Deadline for Responsive Briefs	Friday, July 11, 2008	16 days
Initial Order	Wednesday, August 6, 2008	26 days
Petitions for Review	Tuesday, August 26, 2008	20 days
Answers to Petitions for Review	Friday, September 5, 2008	10 days
Final Commission Order/ End of Suspension Period	Wednesday, October 1, 2008	26 days