BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND)	DOCKET NO. UW-040367
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,)	
)	ORDER NO. 04
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	
)	ORDER MODIFYING ORDER
COUGAR RIDGE WATER SYSTEM,)	NO. 3; EXTENDING THE DATE
)	FOR TARIFF FILING UNTIL
Respondent.)	JANUARY 14, 2005
)	

- 1 **Synopsis:** The Commission extends until January 14, 2005 the deadline for Cougar Ridge to file a tariff in this docket, modifying the Commission's Order No. 03.
- 2 **NATURE OF PROCEEDING.** Docket No. UW-040367 is a special proceeding to determine whether Cougar Ridge Water System (Cougar Ridge or the Company) is subject to regulation under Chapter 80. 28 RCW; and to determine whether, if Cougar Ridge is a regulated company, its rates and charges are fair, just, reasonable and sufficient.
- **BACKGROUND.** The Commission entered an order on November 22, 2004, that found the Company subject to regulation and directed it to file a tariff no later than December 22, 2004, that would allow the Commission to determine whether the Company's rates are fair, just, reasonable, and sufficient.
- **PROCEDURE.** The Company has filed a petition for judicial review and will be seeking a stay of the Commission's order that it file a tariff. The court calendar in light of the holiday period and the schedules of attorneys, including the assistant attorney general representing the Commission, would preclude an effective hearing prior to January 10, 2005. The Commission therefore should consider

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whether to extend the deadline for filing a tariff until the court has an opportunity to rule on a motion to delay the tariff filing requirement.

5 **DECISION.** The Commission determines that the public interest will be best served by delaying the deadline for tariff filing until January 14, 2005.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS That the deadline for receiving a tariff filing from Cougar Ridge Water System pursuant to Commission Order No. 03 in this docket is extended until January 14, 2005.

DATED at Olympia, Washington and effective this 15th day of December, 2004.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARILYN SHOWALTER, Chairwoman

RICHARD HEMSTAD, Commissioner

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner