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APPLICATION OF RAYBURN
COUNTRY ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR A
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE
AND NECESSITY (CCN) FOR A
PROPOSED TRANSMISSION LINE IN
HENDERSON AND VAN ZANDT
COUNTIES, TEXAS

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BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE

OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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ORDER NO. 11
REFERRAL TO MEDIATION

At the pre-hearing conference held in this case on October 13, 2006, the parties agreed to submit this case to a mediated settlement conference to be conducted on **December 11, 2006**. The ALJ has determined that the request for a mediated settlement conference has merit. **IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:**

1. This case is hereby referred to SOAH's Alternative Dispute Resolution Team Leader, Judge Renee M. Rusch, for appointment of a mediator and a period of mediation. With the issuance of this Order, the official file in this case is transferred to Judge Rusch.
2. The parties have requested the mediation be set on December 11, 2006. It appears SOAH can set the mediation on the date the parties have requested. **As many parties are located in the Tyler area, the mediator should discuss with the parties an appropriate location for the mediation.**
3. If mediation is unsuccessful, the case will be returned to the presiding ALJ on December 12, 2006, unless extended by order of the undersigned presiding ALJ.
4. **Discovery and other filing deadlines contained in Order No. 9 remain in effect, are not abated, and shall be continue to be followed by the parties.**

5. All parties are ordered to appear at the mediated settlement conference with a party representative (in addition to the attorney) who has full settlement authority for this matter. Failure to attend the mediation and negotiate in good faith may result in sanctions against the offending party.

SIGNED October 16, 2006.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Thomas H. Walston", is written over a horizontal line.

THOMAS H. WALSTON
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS