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House Bill (HB) 1600 and Senate Bill (SB) 567 83<sup>rd</sup> Legislature, Regular Session, transferred the functions relating to the economic regulation of water and sewer utilities from the TCEQ to the PUC effective September 1, 2014

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### ORDER NO. 4 MEMORIALIZING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

On Fanuary 5, 2010, a preheating conference was convened to consider (1) the motion for continuance filed by Double Diamond Utilities Company (Applicant) (3) the response in opposition filed by White Bluff Subdivision Ratepayers (Protestant) which raises issues concerning the effect, if any, of the final order recently issued in SOAH Docket No. 582-08-0698; TCEQ Docket No. 2007-1708-UCR and requests an escrow for potentially refundable utility payments, if the Applicant's motion for continuance is granted, and (3) a revised prehearing schedule if the motion for continuance is granted. Having considered these matters the Administrative Law Judge concludes that Applicant's motion for continuance should be granted, the request to establish an escrow should be denied, and the revised procedural schedule agreed to by the parties should be adopted

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Applicant's motion for continuance is GRANTED and Protestant's request or an escrow is DENIED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following schedule shall apply to this proceeding

January 18 2010	Applicant to file initial supplemental discovery responses to all previous discovery.
March 1 2010	Applicant to prefile its direct case in writing, including all testimony, exhibits, and proposed order of witnesses
March 15 2010	Deadline for referral for mediation.

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March 29. 2010	Prote: tants and OPIC to file their direct case in writing, including all testimony, exhibits, and proposed order of witne sees		
April 29, 2010	Executive Director to file his direct case in writing, including all testin ony, exhibits, and proposed order of witnesses.		
<b>May</b> 7, 2010	Objections to prefiled testimony and exhibits, and end of deposition discovery, including depositions on written questions.		
<b>May 21</b> , 2010	Responses to objections to prefiled testimony and exhibits		
May 26, 2010	Prehearing conference.		
June 2-4, 2010 (at 9:00 a.m.)	Hearing on the merits.		

SIGNED January 7, 2010.

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