

**BEFORE THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL**

In the Matter of:
Application No. 2013-01

TESORO SAVAGE, LLC

VANCOUVER ENERGY DISTRIBUTION
TERMINAL

CASE NO. 15-001

NOTICE OF PRE-HEARING
CONFERENCE

**Friday, April 24, 2015
10:00 a.m. PDT**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council will hold an informal pre-hearing conference in the above-captioned matter on **Friday, April 24, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. PDT** in the Utilities and Transportation Commission hearing room at the following location:

Utilities and Transportation Commission
Room 206
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
Olympia, Washington

The purpose of this conference is to discuss organizational matters with the parties prior to the issuance of a pre-hearing order. The intention is to avoid problems and concerns of a practical nature as much as possible. Parties that do not attend waive their right to state a view on matters that are discussed and will be bound by the pre-hearing order issued following the conference. The pre-hearing order will address as many adjudication organizational matters as can be put into place at this time. As much as possible, it will accommodate the practical suggestions and requests of the parties. Remaining matters will be addressed in future pre-hearing orders.

Parties' counsel are asked to appear in person if at all possible to participate in this informal conference with the undersigned administrative law judge, and should be prepared to discuss the following subjects:

General Adjudication Organization:

EFSEC website adjudication postings
Service and filing methodologies
Form of submittals (electronic and paper adjudication record)
Contacting the ALJ with questions
Hearing venue issues – electronics, accommodations needed, interpreters

Pre-Adjudication Hearing Preparation:

Establishment of event timeline and deadlines for submittals (final witness and exhibit lists)
Motion practice and deadlines

Preparation of Evidence:

Discovery practice – *See* WAC 463-30-190 & RCW 34.05.446
Exhibit organization, numbering, and filing requirements
Preliminary and final lists of potential exhibits - timing
Preliminary and final lists of potential witnesses - timing
Early listing of expert witnesses
Possible agreement on expert witness qualifications and experience – use of resumes
Pre-filed direct testimony – how much and timing
Procedure for objections to pre-filed direct testimony
Filing and distribution of pre-filed testimony and exhibits prior to hearing
Possibility of obtaining stipulations and admissions of fact
Issue formulation and possible simplification – two-stage development
Consideration of the disposition or settlement of certain issues
Hearing briefing and deadlines

Hearing Procedures:

Only one sponsoring and one cross-examining attorney per witness
Necessity of time restrictions on presentations
Agreement as to the genuineness of documents to avoid unnecessary proof
Possibility of consolidation of examination for certain witnesses
Procedure for requests for rebuttal testimony
Written closings

As time permits, the conference may address items not listed above as raised by the parties or the administrative law judge and needed to establish pre-hearing procedures that achieve efficiencies and smooth process as much as is possible.

DATED and effective at Olympia, Washington this 2nd day of April, 2015.

STATE OF WASHINGTON ENERGY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

Cassandra Noble
Administrative Law Judge