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BEFORE THE STATE OF WASHINGTON  
ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

In re Application No. 96-1  
  
of  
  
OLYMPIC PIPELINE COMPANY  
  
For Site Certification

PREHEARING ORDER NO. 19  
COUNCIL ORDER NO. 720  
  
ORDER ON MOTION TO  
CONTINUE LAND USE  
CONSISTENCY HEARINGS

**Nature of the Proceeding:** This matter involves an application to the Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (the Council) for certification of a proposed site in six Washington counties for construction and operation of a pipeline for the transportation of refined petroleum products between Woodinville and Pasco.

**Procedural Setting:** On August 24, 1998, the Council entered Prehearing Order No. 14, setting the schedule for the review of Olympic Pipe Line Company's (Olympic's) application. The order provided that the land use consistency hearings would occur during the weeks of January 18 and January 25, 1999. Subsequently, exact dates were set and notice sent to the local jurisdictions and parties.<sup>1</sup>

On January 5, 1999, the Council received a request from Kittitas County, Grant County, and Adams County to reschedule the land use consistency hearings to a later date. The Council

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<sup>1</sup> The land use consistency hearings were set for January 19, Snohomish County; January 20, Kittitas County; January 21, King County; January 25, Franklin County; January 26, Adams County; and January 27, Grant County.

1 invited comments about this request and received responses from seven parties.<sup>2</sup> After  
2 considering the requests of the local jurisdictions in the context of the overall schedule, the  
3 Council enters this order regarding the rescheduling of the land use consistency hearings.

4 **Discussion:**

5 Because the Council has decided to incorporate the record of the land use hearings into the  
6 record for the adjudication, the Council will consider the counties' request to reschedule the land  
7 use consistency hearings as a motion to continue the hearings.<sup>3</sup>

8 Through this order, all six of the scheduled land use consistency hearings are continued. The  
9 land use consistency hearings will not be held on January 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, and 27 as previously  
10 announced. The new dates have not yet been set.

11 The continuation of the land use hearings does not change any of the other dates set in the  
12 Council's August 1998 scheduling order (Prehearing Order No. 14). All prefiled testimony will  
13 be due on February 12, 1999. All parties, including the local jurisdictions, are expected to prefile  
14 their testimony, if any, on this date. Local jurisdictions do not have the option to delay their  
15 prefiling to see whether subsequent stipulations will be reached.

16 The schedule for the adjudication also remains the same; it is scheduled to begin during the week  
17 of April 26, 1999.

18 DATED and effective at Olympia, Washington, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of January 1999.

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20 Ernest Heller, Administrative Law Judge

21 **Notice to Participants.** Unless modified, this prehearing order will control the course of the  
22 hearing. Objections to this order may be stated only by filing them in writing with the Council  
23 within ten days after the date of this order.

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25 <sup>2</sup> Responses were received from King County, Snohomish County, the City of Snoqualmie, the City of North Bend,  
26 Counsel for the Environment, Olympic Pipe Line Company, and the Washington Environmental Council.

<sup>3</sup> Prehearing Order No. 18, December 8, 1998, p. 4.