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**VIA E-FILING**

Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
Attn: Filing Center  
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**Re: Docket No. UW 194– In the Matter of Crooked River Ranch Water  
Company Motion for General Protective Order – Expedited Consideration  
Requested**

Dear Filing Center:

Attached for filing in docket UW 194 is Crooked River Ranch Water Company's motion for a general protective order.

Thank you for your assistance, and please do not hesitate to contact our office with any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "T.A. Brooks", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Tommy A. Brooks

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

**UW 194**

In the Matter of  
  
CROOKED RIVER RANCH  
  
WATER COMPANY  
  
REQUEST FOR A GENERAL  
  
RATE REVISION

**CROOKED RIVER RANCH  
WATER COMPANY'S  
MOTION FOR A GENERAL  
PROTECTIVE ORDER**

EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION  
REQUESTED

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Under ORCP 36(C)(7) and OAR 860-001-0080(1), Crooked River Ranch Water Company (“Company”) moves the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (“Commission”) for entry of a general protective order in these proceedings to protect certain confidential information. The Company’s rate filing includes confidential information in a redacted format. The Company requests expedited consideration of this motion in order to promptly provide confidential information to the Commission in an unredacted format.

Good cause exists to issue a protective order to protect personally sensitive, commercially sensitive, and confidential business information related to the Company’s filing.

The Commission’s rules authorize the Company to seek reasonable restrictions on discovery of trade secrets and other confidential business information. The Commission’s general protective order is designed to allow the broadest possible discovery consistent

with the need to protect confidential information.<sup>1</sup> The information is confidential and commercially sensitive, and constitutes “Protected Information,” because it includes personally identifiable wage and salary information.

It is also possible that the parties to these proceedings will seek to discover further information held by the Company, including confidential business information. Issuance of a protective order will facilitate the production of relevant information and expedite the discovery process.

For these reasons, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission enter its general protective order in this docket.

DATED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>1</sup> See OAR 860 001-0000(1) (adopting the Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure), ORCP 36(C)(7) (providing protection against unrestricted discovery of “trade secrets or other confidential research development, or commercial information”). See also *In re Investigation into the Cost of Providing Telecommunication Service*, Docket UM 351, Order No. 91-500 (1991) recognizing that protective orders are a reasonable means to protect “the rights of party to trade secrets and other confidential commercial information” and “to facilitate the communications of information between litigants”).