

**In the Circuit Court of Jackson County, West Virginia**

**Southern Jackson County Public  
Service District,**  
Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. CC-18-2022-C-91  
Judge Michael Lorensen

**C.J. Hughes Construction Company,  
Inc.,  
Tri-State Pipeline, Inc.,  
Ferguson Enterprises, LLC,  
Master Meter, Inc.,**  
Defendants

**Day Order From July 5, 2023 Case Management Conference And Order Setting  
Final Pretrial Conference**

CAME the parties, in a Status Conference on July 5, 2023, commencing at 2:30 p.m. via Microsoft Teams. Marvin W. Masters, Esq. appeared for Plaintiff, Southern Jackson Public Service District, David K. Hendrickson, Esq. and Charles Arnold, Esq. (national counsel) appeared for Defendant, Master Meter, Inc., William R. Slicer, Esq. appeared for Defendant, Ferguson Enterprises, LLC, Daniel J. Konrad, Esq. and Matthew L. Ward, Esq. appeared for Defendant, C.J. Hughes Construction Company, and Jennifer N. Taylor, Esq. appeared for Defendant, Tri-State Pipeline, Inc.

1. Conference was held regarding dates setting the trial and pretrial conference in this matter. This matter will be tried to a jury in late 2024, with an actual trial date to be determined after a consultation with the Jackson County Circuit Clerk and/or Judge Dyer regarding courtroom availability during that time. Trial length was estimated by each counsel to be two weeks or less.
2. The final pretrial conference shall be held on November 1, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the Jackson County Courthouse, 100 Court Street, Ripley, West Virginia. Prior to the

November 1, 2024 Final Pretrial Conference, the undersigned may schedule a first pretrial conference at a later date if needed after discovery and dispositive motions have been filed.

3. Conference was had regarding ongoing work or maintenance with the PSD. The undersigned directed the parties to meet and confer with regard to the preservation of any evidence/devices and to present a motion for protective order in the event that an agreement could not be met.
4. Conference was had regarding e-discovery. The undersigned directed the parties to meet and confer with regard to any issues regarding e-discovery, and to let the Court know if there are any issues.
5. Conference was had regarding pretrial and discovery deadlines, including a mediation deadline before the Resolution Judge assigned in this case. A separate Scheduling Order will be entered detailing the pretrial deadlines.
6. Counsel proffered they had no other matters to take up today.
7. The hearing was then adjourned.

The Court directs the Circuit Clerk to distribute attested copies of this order to all counsel of record, and to the Business Court Central Office at West Virginia Business Court Division, 380 West South Street, Suite 2100, Martinsburg, West Virginia, 25401.

ENTER: July 7, 2023

**/s/ Michael Lorensen**  
Circuit Court Judge  
5th Judicial Circuit

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