

In the Circuit Court of Ritchie County, West Virginia

Antero Resources Corporation,
Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. CC-43-2021-P-15
Judge Christopher C. Wilkes

Matthew Irby,
Arlene Mossor,
County Commission of Ritchie
County,
Defendants

AGREED ORDER CONTINUING BRIEFING SCHEDULE

On January 22, 2024, this Court entered a briefing scheduling agreed to by the parties. That schedule set the date for Petitioner's Initial Brief as February 12, 2024, for Respondents' Response Briefs as March 15, 2024, and Petitioner's Reply Brief as April 5, 2024.

Eleven days after Petitioner filed its initial brief, the Legislature passed House Bill 4850, 87th W. Va. Leg. Reg. Sess. (passed Feb. 23, 2024) (removing the sunset clause from oil and gas personal property tax). That bill is currently awaiting the signature of the Governor. In response, the parties agreed to move this Court to continue the remaining dates on the January 22, 2024, briefing schedule while they wait to see if House Bill 4850 is signed into law and while Petitioner determines if it intends to continue to pursue this Petition for Appeal. This Court finds good cause to grant the parties' request.

THEREFORE, the Court DIRECTS and ORDERS that the remaining dates on its January 22, 2024, briefing schedule are STAYED and CONTINUED until April 15, 2024. On or before that date, the parties will advise this Court whether this matter can be dismissed or whether a new schedule for the Respondents' Response Briefs and

Petitioner's Reply Brief is needed.

The Clerk of the Circuit Court is directed to transmit a true copy of this order to all counsel of record as listed below.

It is so ORDERED.

/s/ Christopher C. Wilkes
Circuit Court Judge
3rd Judicial Circuit

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