

In the Circuit Court of Wood County, West Virginia

Hope Gas, Inc.,
Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. CC-54-2024-P-71
Judge Christopher C. Wilkes

**West Virginia Board of Public Works,
The Honorable Matthew Irby, West
Virginia State Tax Commissioner,**
Defendants

Agreed Stay of Schedule

On a prior day, Petitioner, Hope Gas, Inc., and Respondents, the West Virginia Board of Public Works and Matthew R. Irby, the West Virginia State Tax Commissioner (“State Defendants”), by their respective counsels, moved this Court for a stay of any, discovery, briefing, or hearing schedule to allow the parties to pursue potential settlement negotiations.

Finding good cause, the Court hereby GRANTS the parties’ requested stay. The parties are further DIRECTED and ORDERED to provide this Court a status update within sixty (60) days of the entry of this order on whether negotiations have been successful or whether a new schedule 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.

Enter: November 15, 2024

/s/ Christopher C. Wilkes
Circuit Court Judge
4th Judicial Circuit

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