

Notice of *Ex Parte* Contact

TO: Data Center:
All Parties to Case No. SM-2008-0188
All Parties to Case No. SC-2005-0083, *et al.*

FROM: Ronald D. Pridgin
Senior Regulatory Law Judge

DATE: March 13, 2008



On March 12, 2008, I attended an in-house presentation on receivership of water and sewer companies. Attached was an e-mail I received, inviting me to attend, and listing the topics to be covered.

During the presentation, materials I received at the beginning of the presentation noted the discussion topics included a company not listed in the previous e-mail; namely, Blue Lagoon. A few minutes before the speaker was scheduled to speak about this company, I interrupted the presentation and alerted the speaker and the audience that I and other Regulatory Law Judges in attendance, who were Cully Dale and Harold Stearley, could not be present if he spoke about this company because of this open case. The speaker noted my concern, and attempted to resume the presentation without mentioning Blue Lagoon.

Another Staff member then began discussing Blue Lagoon in the context of the presentation, which is receivership. He only discussed the company briefly before he was interrupted, after which I and the other Regulatory Law Judges left the room, and did not return for the remainder of the presentation.

At no time do I believe anyone at this presentation discussed the merits of these open cases before the Commission. However, out of an abundance of caution, I file this notice on behalf of myself, Judge Dale and Judge Stearley.

Attachments

cc: Commissioners
Executive Director
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
General Counsel