CHAPTER 69-02-03 CONFERENCES

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69-02-03-01. To adjust or settle proceedings.

Conferences may be held to expedite the orderly conduct and disposition of the hearing. Conferences may concern the following:

- 1. Simplification of issues.
- 2. Necessity or desirability of amendments to the pleadings.
- 3. Simultaneous exchange or imposition of a timetable for the exchange of printed testimony and exhibits proposed to be offered in evidence.
- 4. Admissions or stipulations of facts not in dispute.
- 5. Admissions and stipulations of authenticity of documents.
- 6. Limitation of the number of witnesses.
- 7. Limitation of the time allowed for the testimony of witnesses.
- 8. Offers and proposals of settlement and adjustment.
- 9. Other matters that may be necessary or desirable to expedite the proceeding.
- 10. Unaccepted proposals of settlement, adjustment, procedure, or stipulations are privileged and not admissible in evidence against any party.

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69-02-03-02. To expedite hearings.

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69-02-03-03. Initiation of conferences.

Upon its own motion or the motion of any party, the commission or a hearing officer may direct that a conference be held and order the parties to appear. Due notice of the time and place of the conference must be given to all parties.

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69-02-03-04. Conference results.

Upon conclusion of the conference, the results must be immediately reduced to writing. The original and seven copies must be filed with the commission. Stipulations may be received in evidence at a

hearing and, when and so received, shall be binding on the parties with respect to the matters concerned. All stipulations are subject to commission approval.

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