

(i)] extend the time limit set forth in paragraph (1) of this subsection for:

(I) good cause; or

(II) if the parties agree to mediate a settlement to the complaint[; and

(ii) if mediation is unsuccessful, refer the matter to the Office of Administrative Hearings].

(g) The Commission shall notify the complainant and the business entity within 5 business days of the issuance of the initial findings and recommendations, including an explanation of the reasons justifying the initial findings.

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(a) [If the Commission determines that] **A REQUEST FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION MAY BE MADE BY:**

**(1) A BUSINESS ENTITY, UPON A COMMISSION DETERMINATION OF PROBABLE CAUSE FOR one or more OF THE allegations STATED IN THE COMPLAINT AGAINST THE BUSINESS ENTITY, AND FAILURE OF TIMELY CONCILIATION; OR**

**(2) [are sustained or that] a complainant [has submitted] ON A COMMISSION DETERMINATION THAT THE COMPLAINANT HAS FILED a knowingly false or frivolous complaint[, the business entity against whom the allegations were made or the complainant who is claimed to have submitted a knowingly false or frivolous complaint shall be entitled to request a contested case hearing in accordance with the procedures specified in this section].**

(b) (1) To submit a matter to an administrative hearing as a contested case under this title, the business entity or the complainant must request a contested case hearing by filing a written notice with the Commission [and the complainant] within 15 calendar days of notice of the initial findings and recommendations.

(2) The notice must contain the following information:

(i) a demand that the matter be referred to the Office of Administrative Hearings for a contested case hearing in accordance with § 10-205(c)(2) of the State Government Article;