

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

This statement is filed in accordance with Chapter 164, Section 84A

CONDENSED FINANCIAL RETURN

FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

CAMBRIDGE ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY

FULL NAME OF COMPANY

ONE MAIN STREET

LOCATION OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE

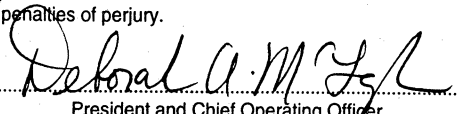
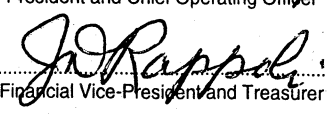
CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142-9150

STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE YEAR

Item	Current Year	Increase or (Decrease) from Preceding Year
OPERATING INCOME		
Operating Revenues.....	\$ 118,706,822	\$ (12,619,976)
Operating Expenses:		
Operation Expense.....	90,403,202	(20,517,459)
Maintenance Expense.....	3,439,426	690,806
Depreciation Expense.....	3,890,288	(445,012)
Amortization of Utility Plant.....	362	0
Amortization of Property Losses.....		
Amortization of Investment Tax Credit.....	(483,992)	(392,810)
Regulatory Debits.....	3,981,000	3,981,000
Taxes other than Income Taxes.....	3,927,565	(358,262)
Income Taxes.....	20,975,247	17,892,569
Provisions for Deferred Federal Income Taxes.....	5,362,078	3,265,701
Federal Income Taxes Deferred In Prior Years-CR.....	21,598,460	19,101,621
Total Operating Expenses.....	109,896,716	(14,985,088)
Net Operating Revenues.....	8,810,106	2,365,112
Income from Utility Plant Leased to Others.....		
Other Utility Operating Income.....		
Total Utility Operating Income.....	8,810,106	2,365,112
OTHER INCOME		
Allowance for Funds Used During Construction.....	0	0
Income from Mdse. Jobbing & Contract Work.....	(21,384)	(19,899)
Equity in Earning of Subsidiary Companies, net.....	1,040,861	(78,202)
Income from Nonutility Operations.....	621,639	90,079
Nonoperating Rental Income.....	248,480	(44,840)
Interest and Dividend Income.....	329,207	195,704
Gain on Disposition of Property.....	2,177,044	2,177,044
Miscellaneous Nonoperating Income.....	(510)	(177,672)
Total Other Income.....	4,395,337	2,142,214
Total Income.....	13,205,443	4,507,326
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME DEDUCTIONS		
Miscellaneous Amortization.....		
Other Income Deductions.....	1,001,501	863,501
Total Income Deductions.....	1,001,501	863,501
Income Before Interest Charges.....	12,203,942	3,643,825
INTEREST CHARGES		
Interest on Long-Term Debt.....	1,428,229	(118,688)
Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense.....	13,841	(311)
Amortization of Premium on Debt-Credit.....	458	(576)
Interest on Debt to Associated Companies.....	328,850	30,572
Other Interest Expense.....	1,668,425	151,741
Interest Charged to Construction-Credit.....	55,793	25,287
Total Interest Charges.....	3,383,094	38,603
Net Income.....	8,820,848	3,605,222

BALANCE SHEET			
Title of Account	Balance End of Year	Title of Account	Balance End of Year
UTILITY PLANT		PROPRIETARY CAPITAL	
Utility Plant.....	\$ 134,537,552	CAPITAL STOCK	
		Common Stock Issued.....	8,665,000
OTHER PROPERTY AND INVESTMENTS		Preferred Stock Issued.....	
Nonutility Property.....	7,041,996	Capital Stock Subscribed.....	
Investment in Associated Companies.....		Premium on Capital Stock.....	27,953,000
Other Investments.....	10,483,436	Total.....	36,618,000
Special Funds.....			
Total Other Property and Investments	17,525,432	SURPLUS	
CURRENT AND ACCRUED ASSETS		Other Paid-In Capital.....	
Cash.....	774,230	Earned Surplus.....	16,181,955
Special Deposits.....		Surplus Invested in Plant.....	
Working Funds.....	3,550	Total.....	16,181,955
Temporary Cash Investments.....	27,450,000	Total Propriety Capital.....	52,799,955
Notes and Accounts Receivable.....	11,239,754		
Receivables from Associated Companies.....	10,989,454	LONG-TERM DEBT	
Materials and Supplies.....	751,650	Bonds.....	
Prepayments.....	310,552	Advances from Associated Companies.....	
Interest and Dividends Receivable.....		Other Long-Term Debt.....	17,400,000
Rents Receivable.....	13,406	Total Long-Term Debt.....	17,400,000
Accrued Utility Revenues.....	3,488,729		
Misc. Current and Accrued Assets.....	1,410,000	CURRENT AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES	
Total Current and Accrued Assets.....	56,431,325	Notes Payable.....	
DEFERRED DEBITS		Accounts Payable.....	7,631,205
Unamortized Debt Discount and Expense.....	31,100	Payables to Associated Companies.....	3,088,519
Extraordinary Property Losses.....		Customer Deposits.....	377,886
Preliminary Survey and Investigation Charges.....	209,847	Taxes Accrued.....	21,981,778
Unamortized Loss on Required Debt.....		Interest Accrued.....	462,589
Regulatory Assets.....	68,459,695	Dividends Declared.....	
Miscellaneous Deferred Debits.....	1,635,008	Matured Long-Term Debt.....	
Total Deferred Debits.....	70,335,650	Matured Interest.....	
CAPITAL STOCK DISCOUNT AND EXPENSE		Tax Collections Payable.....	697,130
Discount on Capital Stock.....		Misc. Current and Accrued Liabilities.....	2,643,650
Capital Stock Expense.....		Total Current and Accrued Liabilities.....	36,882,757
Total Capital Stock Discount and Expense.....		DEFERRED CREDITS	
REACQUIRED SECURITIES		Accumulated Deferred Investment Tax Credit.....	1,273,567
Reacquired Capital Stock.....		Unamortized Premium on Debt.....	1,323
Reacquired Bonds.....		Customer Advances for Construction.....	458,550
Total Reacquired Securities.....		Other Deferred Credits.....	130,730,317
Total Assets and Other Debits.....	278,829,959	Total Deferred Credits.....	132,463,757
		RESERVES	
		Reserves for Depreciation.....	41,979,398
		Reserves for Rate Refund.....	2,326,000
		Reserves for Amortization.....	245,003
		Reserves for Uncollectible Accounts.....	465,227
		Operating Reserves.....	
		Reserve for Depreciation and Amortization of Nonutility Property.....	4,955,012
		Reserves for Deferred Income Taxes.....	(10,687,150)
		Total Reserves.....	39,283,490
		CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION	
		Contributions in Aid of Construction.....	
		Total Liabilities and Other Credits.....	278,829,959

STATEMENT OF EARNED SURPLUS			
Account	Amount for Year	Inc/(Dec) from Preceding Year	
Unappropriated Earned Surplus (at beginning of period).....	11,606,957	2,373,506	
Balance Transferred from Income.....	8,820,848	3,605,222	
Miscellaneous Credits to Surplus.....			
Miscellaneous Debits to Surplus.....			
Appropriations of Surplus.....			
Net Additions to Earned Surplus.....	8,820,848	3,605,222	
Dividends Declared-Preferred Stock.....			
Dividends Declared-Common Stock.....	4,245,850	1,403,730	
Unappropriated Earned Surplus (at end of period).....	16,181,955	4,574,998	
ELECTRIC OPERATING REVENUES			
Account	Operating Revenues		
	Amount for Year	Inc/(Dec) from Preceding Year	
SALES OF ELECTRICITY			
Residential Sales.....	\$ 18,857,163	(1,572,108)	
Commercial and Industrial Sales.....			
Small (or Commercial).....	83,775,394	(7,153,279)	
Large (or Industrial).....	4,734,502	(509,127)	
Public Street and Highway Lighting.....	1,554,627	(130,173)	
Other Sales to Public Authorities.....			
Sales to Railroad and Railways.....			
Interdepartmental Sales.....			
Miscellaneous Electric Sales.....		(1,875,076)	
Total Sales to Ultimate Consumers.....	108,921,686	(11,239,763)	
Sales for Resale.....	7,819,232	(2,097,118)	
Total Sales of Electricity.....	116,740,918	(13,336,881)	
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES			
Forfeited Discounts.....	246,490	8,187	
Miscellaneous Service Revenues.....	16,743	50,509	
Sales of Water and Water Power.....			
Rent from Electric Property.....	108,610	30,871	
Interdepartmental Rents.....			
Other Electric Revenues.....	1,594,061	627,338	
Total Other Operating Revenues.....	1,965,904	716,905	
Total Electric Operating Revenues.....	118,706,822	(12,619,976)	
SUMMARY OF ELECTRIC OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES			
Functional Classification	Operation	Maintenance	Total
Power Production Expenses.....		\$	\$
Electric Generation.....			
Steam Power.....	4,087,794	1,299,041	5,386,835
Nuclear Power.....			
Hydraulic Power.....			
Other Power.....	68,771	21,228	89,999
Other Power Supply Expenses.....	59,389,155		59,389,155
Total Power Production Expenses.....	63,545,720	1,320,269	64,865,989
Transmission Expenses.....	6,559,186	97,117	6,656,303
Distribution Expenses.....	3,062,649	1,558,068	4,620,717
Customer Accounts Expenses.....	6,451,400		6,451,400
Sales Expenses.....	272,042		272,042
Administrative and General Expenses.....	10,512,205	463,972	10,976,177
Total Electric Operation and Maintenance Expenses.....	90,403,202	3,439,426	93,842,628

GAS OPERATING REVENUES			
Account	Operating Revenues		
	Amount for Year	Increase or (Decrease) from Preceding Year	
SALES OF GAS	NONE	\$	
Residential Sales.....			
Commercial and Industrial Sales			
Small (or Commercial).....			
Large (or Industrial).....			
Other Sales to Public Authorities.....			
Interdepartmental Sales.....			
Miscellaneous Gas Sales.....			
Total Sales to Ultimate Consumers.....			
Sales for Resale.....			
Total Sales of Gas.....			
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES			
Forfeited Discounts.....			
Miscellaneous Service Revenues.....			
Revenues from Transportation of Gas to Others.....			
Sales of Products Extracted from Natural Gas.....			
Revenues from Natural Gas Processed by Others.....			
Rent from Gas Property.....			
Interdepartmental Rents.....			
Other Gas Revenues.....			
Total Other Operating Revenues.....			
Total Gas Operating Revenues.....			
SUMMARY OF GAS OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES			
Functional Classification	Operation	Maintenance	Total
Steam Production.....	N/A	\$	\$
Manufactured Gas Production.....			
Other Gas Supply Expenses.....			
Total Production Expenses.....			
Local Storage Expenses.....			
Transmission and Distribution Expense.....			
Customer Accounts Expense.....			
Sales Expense.....			
Administrative and General Expenses.....			
Total Gas Operation and Maintenance Expenses.....			
April 30, 1999, I hereby certify that the foregoing statements are full, just and true to the best of my knowledge and belief. This statement is signed under the penalties of perjury.  Deborah A. M. Zeff President and Chief Operating Officer  Jo Rappel Financial Vice-President and Treasurer			

Consnet Communication #6

A communication was received
from the Dept. of Telecommunication
& Energy, transmitting the
Condensed Financial Return
for the year ended 12/31/98 for
Cambridge Electric Light Company.

In City Council May 10, 1999

Referred to the City Manager