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To all Mayors, City Clerks,
Chairmen of the Boards of Selectmen,
and Town Clerks on the attached list:

Dir Sir/Madam:

Enclosed for you information is a copy of the Notice of Filing and Public Hearing with regard to the Transition Charge Reconciliation filing made by Cambridge Electric Light Company and Commonwealth Electric Company with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy in Docket D.T.E. 00-83.

Sincerely,

J Cope-Flanagan
John Cope-Flanagan

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

D.T.E. 00-83

February 15, 2001

Petition of Cambridge Electric Light Company and Commonwealth Electric Company requesting approval of their Transition Charge Reconciliation filing, together with proposed Transition Charges for Cambridge and Commonwealth, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, §1A(a) and 220 C.M.R. § 11.03 (4)(e).

On November 13, 2000, Cambridge Electric Light Company ("Cambridge") and Commonwealth Electric Company ("Commonwealth") (together, "Companies" or "COM/Elec") filed with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") a Transition Charge Reconciliation Filing and proposed tariffs reflecting the resulting proposed Transition Charges ("Reconciliation Filing") pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 1A(a) and 220 C.M.R. § 11.03(4)(e). The proposed transition charge rates, effective January 1, 2001, are \$0.03039 per kilowatthour ("KWH") for Commonwealth and \$0.01445 per KWH for Cambridge. The Companies also proposed changes in charges for energy efficiency and renewables programs pursuant to G.L. c. 25, §§ 19 and 20. COM/Elec requested the tariffs to become effective January 1, 2001.

On December 22, 2000, the Department approved COM/Elec's tariffs to take effect on January 1, 2001, subject to further investigation and reconciliation. Cambridge Electric Light Company/Commonwealth Electric Company, D.T.E. 00-83 (2000). In this phase of the proceeding, the Department will examine issues including, but not limited to, consistency of the updated charges and tariffs with the methods and provisions approved in Cambridge Electric Light Company/Commonwealth Electric Company, D.T.E. 97-111(1998), and Cambridge Electric Light Company/Commonwealth Electric Company, D.T.E. 98-78/83 (1998).

The Department will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on the Companies' filing at 10:00 a.m. on March 6, 2001, at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. Following the public hearing, the Department will conduct a procedural conference.

Any persons wishing to participate in this proceeding must file a written petition for leave to intervene or to participate in the proceeding with: Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary; and

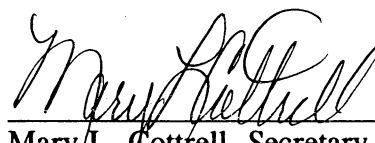
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one copy with the Hearing Officer, Caroline M. O'Brien. The original and copies should be delivered to the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, not later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) February 28, 2001.

All written pleadings or comments also must be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dte.efiling@state.ma.us; or (2) on a 3.5" floppy diskette, IBM-compatible format. The text of the e-mail or the diskette label must specify: (1) an easily identifiable case caption; (2) docket number; (3) name of the person or company submitting the filing, and (4) a brief descriptive title of document (e.g., comments or petition to intervene). The electronic filing should also include the name, title and phone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be written in either Word Perfect (naming the document with a ".wpd" suffix) or in Microsoft Word, (naming the document with a ".doc" suffix). Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. Documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's Website, <http://www.state.ma.us/dpu/>.

A copy of the Companies' filing is on file at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts for public view during business hours. The Company's filing is also available on the Department's Website. In addition, copies are also on file for public viewing at the offices of the Companies, 800 Boylston Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. Any person desiring further information regarding the Companies' filing should contact John Cope-Flanagan, at (617) 424-3802. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Caroline M. O'Brien, Hearing Officer, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, at (617) 305-3500.

By Order of the Department,



Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary

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Consent Communication #6

A communication was received from John Cope-Flanagan, NSTAR, transmitting notice of a public hearing on Tuesday, March 6, 2001 at the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, beginning at 10:00 a.m. regarding requesting approval of their Transition Charge Reconciliation filing, together with proposed Transition Charges for Cambridge and Commonwealth.

In City Council February 26, 2001

Referred to the City Manager