



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

March 29, 1995
CAMBRIDGE, MA.

D.P.U. 95-36

Investigation by the Department of Public Utilities on its own motion as to the propriety of the rates and charges set forth in the following tariffs: M.D.P.U. Nos. 551 through 554, filed with the Department on March 15, 1995, to become effective April 1, 1995 by Cambridge Electric Light Company.

On March 15, 1995, Cambridge Electric Light Company ("Company" or "Petitioner") filed with the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") the following four tariffs: (1) Standby Service Rate SB-1 (13.8 kV), M.D.P.U. No. 551; (2) Maintenance Service Rate MS-1 (13.8 kV), M.D.P.U. No. 552; (3) Supplemental Service Rate SS-1 (13.8 kV), M.D.P.U. No. 553; and (4) Customer Transition Charge Rate CTC-1 (13.8 kV), M.D.P.U. No. 554. The Company stated that the purpose of the first three rates is for the Company to have available tariffs for the full array of back-up services needed by those customers which the Company has an obligation to serve. The Company stated that the purpose of the Customer Transition Charge is to recover costs that were incurred by the Company to serve an all-requirements sales customer that no longer requires full service. In addition, the Customer Service Charge serves to recover costs prudently incurred by the utility in fulfilling its obligation to serve that customer but are left unrecovered because the customer bypasses the utility in favor of an alternative generation source.

The Department has docketed this matter as D.P.U. 95-36 and suspended the effective date of the tariffs until October 1, 1995 in order to investigate the propriety of the Company's proposed tariffs. In addition, the Department has consolidated this matter with its investigation in Massachusetts Institute of Technology/ Cambridge Electric Light Company, D.P.U. 94-101.

The Department will hold a public hearing on the above-captioned matter at its offices, Leverett Saltonstall Building, 100 Cambridge Street, 12th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts, 02202 on Tuesday, April 18, 1995, at 10:00 a.m. Immediately following the public hearing, and in the same location as the public hearing, the Department will conduct a procedural conference, at which time evidentiary hearings will be scheduled.

The Petitioner is required to give notice of said hearing by publication hereof once at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date of the public hearing, in The Boston Globe and the Boston Herald; and to make return of service and publication, to include the original clippings of the newspaper publications, at the time of the public hearing.

Any person who desires to participate in evidentiary hearings concerning the

Department's investigation must file a written petition for leave to intervene or to participate in the proceeding with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, Leverett Saltonstall Building, 100 Cambridge Street, Room 1210, Boston, Massachusetts 02202, not later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) seven (7) days before the public hearing date mentioned above. A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 C.M.R. § 1.03. Receipt by the Department -- not mailing -- constitutes filing and determines whether a petition has been timely filed. A late-filed petition may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown for a waiver of the seven-day rule under 220 C.M.R. § 1.01(4). To be allowed, a petition under 220 C.M.R. § 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A, § 10.

Persons interested in commenting on the Company's proposed tariffs may appear at the public hearing or file written comments with:

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Re: D.P.U. 94-101/95-36
Department of Public Utilities
Leverett Saltonstall Building
100 Cambridge Street, Room 1210
Boston, Massachusetts 02202

By Order of the Department,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mary L. Cottrell", is written over a horizontal line.

MARY L. COTTRELL, SECRETARY

Consent Comm. # 1

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Notice from DPU on its motion as to the propriety of the rates and charges set forth in the following tariffs.
M.D.P.U. Nos. 551-554 filed with the Department on March 15, 1995, to become effective April 1, 1995 by Cambridge Electric Light Company.

In City Council,

April 10, 1995

Referred to the City
Manager.

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