

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

July 20, 1995

NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

D.P.U. 95-95

Petition of Cambridge Electric Light Company and Commonwealth Electric Company, pursuant to General Laws Chapter 164, §§ 69I, 76, 94, and 94A, and 220 C.M.R. §§ 10.00 et seq. for review of the procedures by which additional energy resources are planned, solicited, and procured by Cambridge Electric Light Company and Commonwealth Electric Company.

Cambridge Electric Light Company and Commonwealth Electric Company ("Companies"), pursuant to 220 C.M.R. §§ 10.00 et seq., the integrated resource planning ("IRP") regulations, are scheduled to submit their initial filing on August 4, 1995.

The IRP regulatory framework developed by the Department establishes a process under which additional resources are planned, solicited, and procured by certain investor-owned electric companies. The IRP process requires that the Companies file an integrated resource plan that contains their demand forecast, resource inventory, evaluation of resource need, and resource procurement plan. Following an initial settlement negotiations period of approximately three months, the Department will review the Companies' integrated resource plan and issue an Order within nine months of the filing date. The Department will investigate related issues including the effect on previous IRM/IRP settlement agreements, if any. The Department will approve the Companies's integrated resource plan if it is found to be consistent with their obligation to provide safe, reliable, least-cost electric service to ratepayers. Contracts for all resources that are identified through the Companies' IRP process must be consistent with the approved resource procurement plan, and must be approved by the Department.

Copies of the initial filing, when filed, may be inspected at the offices of the Department. The initial filing, when filed, also may be inspected at the following locations:

Cambridge Electric Light Company
One Main Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Commonwealth Electric Company
2421 Cranberry Highway
Wareham, Massachusetts

THE DEPARTMENT WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS
ON THE COMPANY'S PETITION AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION:

Wednesday, August 16, 1995, 10:00 a.m.
Department of Public Utilities
100 Cambridge Street, Room 1210
Boston, Massachusetts

Any person who desires to participate in an adjudicatory proceeding concerning the Department's investigation must file a written petition either for leave to intervene or to participate in the proceeding not later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on August 18, 1995 with:

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Public Utilities
100 Cambridge Street, Room 1210
Boston, Massachusetts 02202

and a copy with:

James M. Avery, Esq.
Rich, May, Bilodeau, and Flaherty
294 Washington Street
Boston, MA 02108-4675

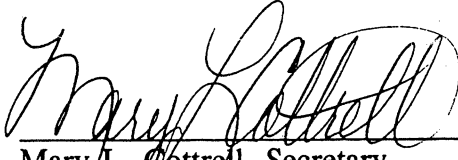
A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 C.M.R. § 1.03. Receipt by the Department -- not mailing -- constitutes filing and determines whether a petition has been timely filed. A late-filed petition may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown for a waiver of the filing requirement 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. Petitions to intervene as a party in the whole or any portion of the proceeding must describe the manner in which the petitioner may be substantially and specifically affected by the proceedings.

Any person desiring information concerning intervention or participation in these cases or desiring further information regarding this notice should contact the Department at the number shown below.

Ronald F. LeComte, Hearing Officer
Department of Public Utilities
100 Cambridge Street Room 1210
Boston, Massachusetts 02202
(617) 727-3500

The Companies shall, no later than July 26, 1995, give notice of the public hearing by publication in the Boston Globe and the Boston Herald, serve a copy of the notice on the Chairmen, Board of Selectmen, Mayors, Town Clerks and City Clerks of the cities and towns in the Companies' service area, post a copy of the notice in each city or town hall in the Companies' service area until the intervention deadline has expired, provide actual notice to any person who has filed a request for notice with the Companies, serve a copy of the notice on all parties and limited participants from the Companies' last IRM/IRP proceeding (D.P.U. 91-234) and all parties to previous IRM/IRP settlement agreements that are in effect, and make return of service and publication at the time of the public hearing.

By Order of the Department,



Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary

Consent Communication #31 CM-354

Communication was received from the Department of Public Utilities regarding a notice of filing and notice of public hearing in reference reviewing procedures by which additional energy resources are planned, solicited and procured by Cambridge Electric Light Company and Commonwealth Electric Company.

In City Council July 31, 1995

Referred to City
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