



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

CAMBRIDGE MA.

January 4, 1989

D.P.U. 89-244

Investigation by the Department of Public Utilities on its own motion into repeal of 220 CMR 105.00 and promulgation of 220 CMR 112.00, concerning the design, operation, maintenance, and repair of liquefied natural gas (LNG) plants and systems.

The Department of Public Utilities proposes to repeal in its entirety regulations presently governing facilities for liquified natural gas (LNG), as embodied in 220 CMR Part 105.00, and to reserve Part 105.00 for future use. Concurrently, the Department proposes to replace its present LNG regulations with a new set of regulations, designated 220 CMR 112.00. Employing the latitude permitted by 49 U.S.C. 1672(a)(1), the proposed Part 112 regulations would impose more stringent safety standards on LNG facilities than are currently set by Federal law under 49 CFR 193. The proposed Part 112 would govern all LNG facilities in the Commonwealth installed after the effective date of the regulations, saving only those within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Federal government. The proposed regulations contain requirements for monitoring, recordkeeping, fire prevention, and construction and would apply to all operators of LNG facilities, as defined, that are located in Massachusetts.

A copy of the proposed regulations may be obtained by writing to Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02202. Written comment on the proposed regulations will be received at the same address until February 15, 1990. Written comment should be clearly labelled for filing in Docket No. DPU 89-244. The Department will hold a public hearing to receive oral comment on the proposed regulations. The hearing will be at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 1, 1990, in the Department's offices, Room 1210, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

By Order of the Department,


Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary

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Notice of a public hearing was received by DPU for Thursday, February 1, 1990 at 10:00 a. m. at 100 Cambridge Street, Boston on the departments proposal to repeal in its entirety regulations governing facilities for liquified natural gas.

In City Council,

January 22, 1990

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