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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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Investigation by the Department upon its own motion into the advisability of adopting standard filing regulations for electric utilities.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities hereby proposes to adopt standard filing regulations for all electric utilities pursuant to the authority vested in the Department by G.L. c. 30A, § 9.

The proposed regulations require that all electric utilities which file for a rate change pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 94, shall file, with their direct testimony, numerous financial statements which are specifically described in the text of the proposed regulations. The proposed regulations include an appendix presenting the required format for each individual statement.

These regulations, modelled after a standard filing requirement adopted by Connecticut, were the subject of many meetings with interested parties from the electric companies, the Attorney General's Office and public interest organizations. The input from these meetings was considered by the Department staff in developing the final draft of the proposed regulations. Major modifications were made to the Connecticut requirements to accommodate the specific needs and requirements of the

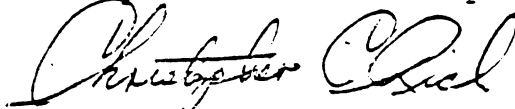
Massachusetts regulatory environment.

The Department feels that these proposed regulations will facilitate a more orderly and expeditious disposition of rate case information and hence improve the efficiency of the Department's rate hearing process.

Upon the foregoing, the Department of Public Utilities will hold a public hearing at its offices in the Leverett Saltonstall Building, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, Massachusetts, on September 9, 1981, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Any brief, memorandum, or other written material to be submitted for consideration in this matter should be filed with the Department on or before September 9, 1981.

By Order of the Department,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Christopher Rich", written over a horizontal line.

Christopher C. Rich
Secretary



City of Cambridge

IN CITY COUNCIL

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Department of Public Utilities meeting
100 Cambridge Street, Boston, September
9, 1981 at 10 a.m.

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