

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

October 17, 1997

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

D.P.U. 97-96

The Department of Public Utilities is proposing to revise the regulations set forth at 220 C.M.R. §§ 12.00 et seq., which govern the relationships between electric and gas distribution companies and their unregulated marketing affiliates. The current regulations apply to "competitive affiliates" that engage in the "selling or marketing of natural gas, electricity, or related services on a competitive basis, including, but not limited to, natural gas or electric supply or capacity, and demand-side management." The Department proposes to expand the definition of "competitive affiliate" to include affiliates engaged in non-energy related businesses.

The above notice is officially captioned:

Investigation by the Department of Public Utilities upon its own motion commencing a rulemaking pursuant to 220 C.M.R. §§ 2.00 et seq., revising standards of conduct governing the relationship between gas and electric distribution companies and their unregulated marketing affiliates, currently set forth at 220 C.M.R. §§ 12.00 et seq., to include all affiliates.

A copy of the proposed revisions may be obtained upon request from Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, 100 Cambridge Street, 12th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02202, (617) 305-3500.

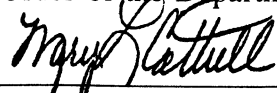
The Department seeks written comments on the proposed revisions and other issues related to C.M.R. §§ 12.00 et seq. no later than 5:00 p.m. Friday, November 21, 1997.

The Department will commence public hearings to receive oral comments on the proposed revisions on Monday, December 8, 1997, at 10:00 a.m., at the Department's offices, 100 Cambridge Street, 12th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts, 02202.

Final written comments may be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. Friday, December 19, 1997.

An original and three copies of all written comments should be filed with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, 100 Cambridge Street, 12th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02202.

By Order of the Department,


Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary

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Communication was received from the Department of Public Utilities, transmitting notice of a public hearing proposing to revise the regulations which govern the relationships between electric and gas distribution companies and their unregulated marketing affiliates on Monday, December 8, 1997 at 10:00 A.M. at the Department's offices, 100 Cambridge Street, 12th Floor, Boston, MA

In City Council October 27, 1997

Referred to
City Manager

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