

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 6326

Investigation of Village of Northfield Electric)
Department's tariff filing requesting a 15.59%)
rate increase, to take effect January 1, 2000)

Order entered: 2/10/2000

PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM

BACKGROUND

I convened a prehearing conference in this matter on January 14, 2000, at the Public Service Board hearing room, in Montpelier, Vermont. The Village of Northfield Electric Department ("NED") was represented by William B. Piper, Esq., of Primmer & Piper, P.C. Leslie A. Cadwell, Esq., appeared on behalf of the Vermont Department of Public Service ("Department"). No other group or organization attended the prehearing conference.

APPEARANCES

Mr. Piper has entered a notice of appearance on behalf of NED. Ms. Cadwell has entered a notice of appearance on behalf of the Department.

SCHEDULING

A schedule for resolution of this investigation was proposed by NED and the Department. By this memorandum, I adopt that proposal, which is as follows:

3/2000	Public Hearing
3/10/00	File a report to establish a schedule for evidentiary hearings or a hearing on the stipulation to all matters, except the cost of Hydro-Quebec power.

The schedule proposed did not include a deadline for requests for intervention. With the provision that any intervenor¹ must take the proceeding as they find it, a later deadline for intervention requests is workable and should not unreasonably disadvantage or burden the petitioner. March 1, 2000, is established as the deadline to file requests for intervention. Parties shall have until March 10, 2000, to respond to any such requests. All such requests and responses must be served on all parties.

SO ORDERED.

DATED at Montpelier, Vermont, this 10th day of February, 2000.

s/Ennis John Gidney
Ennis John Gidney
Hearing Officer

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: February 10, 2000

ATTEST: s/Susan M. Hudson
Clerk of the Board

Notice to Readers: This decision is subject to revision of technical errors. Readers are requested to notify the Clerk of the Board of any technical errors, in order that any necessary corrections may be made.

1. The questions raised by Mr. Everett Greenslit should be addressed in the stipulation by the parties of record.