

CLERKS REPORT

DOCKET NO. & NAME: **DG 07-033 Northern Utilities, Inc.**

DATE: 4/23/07 OPENED AT: 10:14 CLOSED: 2:17 PHC: HEARING: X

PRESIDING OFFICER: Commissioners HEARING EXAMINER:

COURT REPORTER: Steve Patnaude CLERK: Diane Bateman

APPEARANCES: Yes

Susan Geiger, Esq., Orr & Reno for Northern Utilities
F. Anne Ross, Esq., for Staff
Rorie Hollenberg, Esq., for Office of Consumer Advocate

AFFIDAVIT FILED: Yes

INTERVENTION GRANTED:

N/A

NOTES:

Ronald Gibbons was put on as Company witness at 10:17 a.m.

Staff will question Mr. Gibbons before the Office of Consumer Advocate. There were no objections voiced for a reversal of the order.

\$633,021.00 over collected for last summer period. Mr. Gibbons was dismissed from the stand at 10:31.

Joseph Ferro was then put onto the stand for the Company at 10:31. Mr. Ferro was dismissed at 11:05.

A brief recess was taken at 11:05 and resumed at 11:20.

Staff then put George McCluskey on the stand.

Northern's last lead lad study was done sometime in 2001.

The company does not agree with Staff's recommendation to change over to the Accrued method. Staff requested the Company to write a proposal and the company refused. The

Company apparently stated that they were opposed because of significant variations and in the market and gas prices that change daily.

Mr. McCluskey was excused at 12:28 and the hearing broke until 12:45.

Joe Ferro was put back on the stand when the proceeding resumed, to testify regarding his rebuttal testimony.

Mr. Ferro was dismissed and George McCluskey was put onto the stand again at 2:00.

Company raises and objection to Exhibit Number 7 as it is in draft form and technically not due within the next few days. Chairman Getz feels since there has been oral testimony on this exhibit that he will allow this exhibit and he would like to see the official response comes in.

PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE: _____ HEARINGS CONTINUED: _____

BRIEFS DUE: _____ ORDER DUE: _____

TRANSCRIPT DUE DATE: _____ REQUEST WHEN DUE: _____

HEARING EXAMINER REPORT DUE: _____ ATTACH THE EXHIBITS LIST: Yes

UNDER ADVISEMENT: _____