

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: IES UTILITIES INC.	DOCKET NO. P-840
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ORDER ASSIGNING TO PRESIDING OFFICER

(Issued June 9, 1999)

On April 28, 1999, IES Utilities Inc. (IES) filed a petition for a permit to construct, operate, and maintain a natural gas pipeline in Cass County. IES is proposing to construct a 4-inch diameter natural gas pipeline designed for 500 pounds per square inch above atmospheric pressure (psi). The proposed pipeline would supply service to a natural gas-fired turbine at the Atlantic Municipal and Light and Water Plant in Atlantic, Iowa.

IOWA CODE § 479.7 (1999) requires the Utilities Board (Board) to set a hearing in a pipeline proceeding upon the filing of a petition. Therefore, the Board will assign Docket No. P-840 to a presiding officer who will establish a procedural schedule and render a proposed decision and order.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Docket No. P-840 shall be assigned to a presiding officer.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr.
Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 9th day of June, 1999.