

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

<p>IN RE:</p> <p>MIDWEST RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS LLC,</p> <p style="padding-left: 100px;">Petitioner,</p> <p style="text-align:center">v.</p> <p>INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY,</p> <p style="padding-left: 100px;">Respondent.</p>	<p style="text-align:center">DOCKET NO. AEP-05-1</p>
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ORDER DEFERRING WITNESS TESTIMONY

(Issued July 19, 2005)

On July 13, 2005, Interstate Power and Light Company (IPL) filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a "Motion to Defer Cross-Examination of Witness or, in the Alternative, to Excuse the Witness." IPL stated that witness Richard E. Friedman would be unavailable in person or by cell phone for the hearing scheduled for July 20, 2005. IPL said that the parties to this proceeding had all agreed to defer Mr. Friedman's testimony. IPL explained that the parties are attempting to work out an alternative approach making cross-examination by the parties unnecessary.

The Board will grant the motion. In the event the Board has questions for Mr. Friedman, or the parties cannot agree on an alternative to cross-examination, cross-examination of Mr. Friedman's testimony will be scheduled for a later date.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The "Motion to Defer Cross-Examination of Witness, or, in the Alternative, to Excuse the Witness" filed by Interstate Power and Light Company on July 13, 2005, is granted. Cross-examination of witness Richard E. Friedman is deferred as described in the body of this order.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ John R. Norris

/s/ Diane Munns

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 19th day of July, 2005.