

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: INQUIRY INTO FOSSIL FUEL GENERATION EFFICIENCY	DOCKET NO. NOI-07-1
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ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME

(Issued June 4, 2007)

On May 1, 2007, the Utilities Board (Board) issued an order that, among other things, initiated an inquiry to gather information regarding one of the standards found in Section 1252 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, which added five new federal standards to the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA). The standard that is the subject of this inquiry pertains to fossil fuel generation efficiency. Inquiry participants were given the opportunity to respond to a series of questions on or before July 2, 2007.

On May 25, 2007, the Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice (Consumer Advocate) filed a motion to modify the response schedule. Consumer Advocate said it anticipates that its responses to some or all of the questions may be materially impacted by information supplied by utility participants. Consumer Advocate asked that it and other non-utility participants be given an additional two weeks to respond to the inquiry questions. Consumer Advocate said it would also have no objection to allowing the utilities time to respond to each other's initial comments, as was done in Docket No. NOI-06-4.

The Board will grant the extension. The Board wants inquiry participants to provide as much information as they can to assist the Board in its consideration of

whether to adopt the federal PURPA fossil fuel generation efficiency standard. In addition to granting the additional time to Consumer Advocate and non-utility participants, the Board will allow utility participants to file supplemental comments on or before July 20, 2007, if one or more utilities believe there is a need to respond to initial comments filed by other utilities. The additional time granted is a little longer than the two weeks requested by Consumer Advocate because of the July 4th holiday that falls during the requested extension. After reviewing all the comments, the Board will determine what other procedures (such as additional comments or workshops), if any, are needed to conclude the inquiry.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. Consumer Advocate and non-utility inquiry participants may file responses to some or all of the questions identified in the Board's May 1, 2007, order initiating inquiry on or before July 20, 2007.

2. Utility participants may file supplemental comments on or before July 20, 2007, if one or more utilities believe there is a need to respond to initial comments (due on or before July 2, 2007) that are filed by other utilities.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ John R. Norris

/s/ Curtis W. Stamp

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Krista K. Tanner

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 4th day of June, 2007.