

E-125/C-92-1207; E-125/C-92-1208 ORDER GRANTING RECONSIDERATION

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Don Storm	Chair
Tom Burton	Commissioner
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Norma McKanna	Commissioner

In the Matter of the Complaint
of Darlene Abraham Against Lyon-
Lincoln Electric Cooperative,
Inc.

ISSUE DATE: March 22, 1993

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of Louis Taveirne Against Lyon-
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PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On October 16, 1992, Darlene Abraham and Louis Taveirne (the Complainants) filed complaints against Lyon-Lincoln Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Lyon-Lincoln or the Respondent). The Complainants, owners of wind generators which are qualifying facilities, alleged that the interconnection charges imposed by the Respondent were excessive, discriminatory, and contrary to Minnesota rules.

On February 18, 1993, the Commission issued its ORDER REQUIRING NEGOTIATIONS. In that Order the Commission required Complainants and Respondent to negotiate towards formation of a written contract to resolve two particular issues: the amount Complainants will pay the Respondent for installing the required facilities; and the manner in which Complainants will pay Respondent the amount agreed upon.

On March 4, 1993, Complainants filed a petition for Rehearing and/or Reconsideration. On March 10, 1993, Respondent filed a petition for Rehearing and Reconsideration.

Replies to the Complainants' petition were filed by the Department of Public Service on March 15, 1993, and by Respondent on March 17, 1993.

The matter came before the Commission for consideration on March 18, 1993.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under Minn. Stat. § 216B.27, subd. 4 (1992), any application for rehearing not granted within 20 days of filing is deemed denied. The Commission believes adequate review of the petitions for reconsideration will require more than 20 days. The Commission will therefore grant the petitions for purposes of allowing careful review of the issues they raise. Deliberations on the merits of the petitions will be scheduled at a later date.

ORDER

1. The petitions for reconsideration submitted by Darlene Abraham, Louis Taveirne, and Lyon-Lincoln Electric Cooperative, Inc. are granted for purposes of affording them careful review. An Order on the merits of the petitions will follow that review.
2. This Order shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Richard R. Lancaster
Executive Secretary

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