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restaurants as it determines necessary to service the needs of the traveling public while using the turnpike, except that the authority may erect or install or permit the erection or installation of electric power, telegraph, telephone, communications, water, sewer or pipeline facilities; and provided also that the leasehold interests in such intermodal transportation facilities, kiosks, gasoline filling stations, service and repair stations, tourist-oriented retail facilities, state and tri-state lottery ticket agencies, automatic teller machines and restaurants are subject to taxation as provided in section 1971. In accordance with rules adopted pursuant to section 1965, subsection 1, paragraph U, the authority may erect and maintain or allow to be erected and maintained signs that contain names, symbols, trademarks, logos or other identifiers of specific commercial enterprises. As used in this section, "tourist-oriented retail facilities" means facilities that promote tourism in this State by selling products that are made or primarily made in this State or to which value is added in this State.

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CHAPTER 481

S.P. 434 - L.D. 1248

An Act To Authorize Load Aggregation for Consumer-owned Electric Utilities

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §3202, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1997, c. 316, §3, is amended to read:

1. Right to purchase generation. Beginning on March 1, 2000, all consumers of electricity have the right to purchase generation services directly from competitive electricity providers, except as provided in subsection 7.

Sec. 2. 35-A MRSA §3202, sub-§7 is enacted to read:

7. Exception; load aggregation by consumer-owned utilities. The commission may authorize a consumer-owned transmission and distribution utility to aggregate its load for the purpose of purchasing generation services on behalf of its customers. The commission shall adopt rules to implement the provisions of this subsection. The rules must specify the process and requirements for a consumer-owned transmission and distribution utility to obtain approval under this subsection and allowable exceptions under which customers of consumer-owned transmission and distribution utilities that have received such approval may continue to purchase generation services directly from competitive electricity providers. Rules adopted

under this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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CHAPTER 482

S.P. 749 - L.D. 1955

An Act Regarding Certain Positions at the Public Utilities Commission

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 2 MRSA §6-A, sub-§3-A, as amended by PL 1987, c. 631, §1, is further amended to read:

3-A. Other employees; range 35. The salaries of the following employees ~~shall be~~ are within salary range ~~80~~ 35:

- A. Assistant administrative director; and
- ~~B. Assistant to the director of consumer assistance; and~~
- ~~C. Administrative assistant to the administrative director.~~

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §931, sub-§1, ¶J, as amended by PL 1997, c. 586, §1, is further amended to read:

- J. Staff attorney, ~~financial analyst, chief utility accountant, utility accountant III~~ utility analyst and assistant administrative director positions at the Public Utilities Commission;

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §949, sub-§1, ¶D, as amended by PL 1985, c. 618, §4, is further amended to read:

- D. Director of Technical Analysis; ~~and~~

Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §949, sub-§1, ¶D-1 is enacted to read:

- D-1. Director of Energy Programs; and

Sec. 5. 35-A MRSA §107, sub-§1, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 141, Pt. A, §6, is amended to read:

- A. An administrative director, a director of finance, a director of technical analysis, a director of energy programs and a director of consumer assistance;

Sec. 6. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Public Utilities - Administrative Division 0184