

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Before Commissioners: Pat Wood, III, Chairman;
Nora Mead Brownell, Joseph T. Kelliher,
and Suedeem G. Kelly.

Boston Edison Company

Docket No. ER03-1274-000

ORDER APPROVING UNCONTESTED SETTLEMENT

(Issued June 22, 2004)

1. On April 8, 2004, Boston Edison Company (Boston Edison) filed a Settlement Agreement by and between Boston Edison, the Concord Municipal Light Plant and the Braintree Group¹ that resolves all issues in this proceeding. On April 28, 2004, the Commission Trial Staff submitted comments in support of the settlement. No other comments were received.² On May 18, 2004, the settlement judge certified the settlement to the Commission as an uncontested settlement.
2. The subject settlement is in the public interest and is hereby approved. The Commission's approval of this settlement does not constitute approval of, or precedent regarding, any principle or issue in this proceeding. The rate schedules submitted as part of the settlement are in compliance with Order No. 614 (FERC Stats. & Regs., Regulations Preambles July 1996 – December 2000 ¶ 31,096 (2000)) and are accepted for filing as designated.
3. This order terminates Docket No. ER03-1274-000.

By the Commission.

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Linda Mitry,
Acting Secretary.

¹ The Braintree Group is comprised of the Braintree Electric Light Department, Taunton Municipal Lighting Plant, and Wellesley Municipal Light Plant.

² Previously, on March 5, 2004, the Massachusetts Attorney General filed a motion to intervene out-of-time. On March 22, 2004, Boston Edison filed an answer stating that it did not oppose the late intervention. We will grant the motion to intervene out-of-time of the Massachusetts Attorney General given its interest in this proceeding, the early stage of the proceeding, and the absence of any undue prejudice or delay.