

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE BOARD OF ELECTRICITY

In the Matter of the Proposed Amendment
of the Rules of the State Board of
Electricity Governing Inspection Fees
and Handling Fee for Request for
Inspection Form

Statement of Need and Reasonableness:

4 MCAR § 11.004

The Board of Electricity is projecting a negative accumulative difference with its inspection fee activity through fiscal year 1983 of \$230,500.00 under its current fees.

To reduce this accumulated difference, the Board must adjust its inspection fees as authorized by Minn. Stat. § 214.06.

Minn. Stat. § 214.06 authorizes all non-health related licensing Boards with the approval of the Commissioner of Finance, to by Rule, adjust any fee which the Board is empowered to assess a sufficient amount so that the total fees collected by each Board will as closely as possible equal anticipated expenditures during the fiscal biennium.

With the proposed fee increases, the Board is projecting a current difference of a plus \$6300.00 at the end of fiscal year 1983.

The adjustment of inspection fees would also allow an increase to the contract electrical inspectors to recover their expenses, which are not separately reimbursed, but are paid by the contract inspectors out of the percentage of the inspection fee which they receive pursuant to their contracts with the Board.

The Board's proposed inspection fee increase was approved by the Commissioner of Finance on January 11, 1982