

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
REORGANIZATION ORDER NO. 116

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1980, Section 16.125, the following administrative reorganization order is made with prior approval of the Governor.

The Legislature by Laws 1980, Chapter 614, changes the name of the Public Service Commission to the Public Utilities Commission, makes the Public Utilities Commission a separate administrative agency and transfers the appropriations and staff of the Commission Support Division of the Public Service Department to the newly created Public Utilities Commission.

Laws 1980, Chapter 614, separates the powers and duties between the Public Service Department and Public Utilities Commission and transfers to the Public Utilities Commission the appropriations and complement of the Commission Support Division of the Public Service Department. However, after approximately one year of separation, Public Utilities Commission and Public Service Department have identified some functions which should be transferred between the agencies in order to maximize efficiency and improve performance and services.

The modification to the original inter-agency agreement and administrative transfer between the Public Utilities Commission and the Department of Public Service would involve formal transfers of money and functions between the two agencies as follows:

1. Transfer of depreciation certification and service map maintenance as functions from the commission to the department since they are advocacy and enforcement functions, as opposed to decision-making.
2. Transfer of the complaint process and cold weather rule administration from the department to the commission because they are decision-making and policy setting, as opposed to advocacy or enforcement.

According to the records of both agencies, depreciation certification and service map maintenance require approximately one-half of one position. Complaint handling requires approximately two and one-half positions.

The Public Service Department and the Public Utilities Commission have identified these additional complement positions and operating costs and agree that they should be transferred from the Administrative and Utilities Divisions' appropriations of the Public Service Department to the Public Utilities Commission. In order that the following list of incumbents and their accrued benefits be transferred with the positions, this Order is written pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 16.125.

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<u>Position No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Classification</u>
016930	Betty Ware	Public Utility Rates and Service Investigator
221520	William Stieger	Public Utility Rates and Service Investigator

The fiscal year 1982 and 1983 approved complement for the Public Utilities Commission is increased by two positions and the fiscal year 1982 and 1983 approved complement and general complement for the Department of Public Service are decreased by two positions.

The Commissioner of Finance shall make the necessary financial determinations in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 16.125, Subdivision 3.

Equipment, furnishings, and supplies shall be appropriately transferred as agreed by the involved agencies.

Any lease or other contractual agreement shall be amended to reflect the change in responsible agency.

The effective date of this Order is October 7, 1981. The Order is herewith filed with the Secretary of State and shall remain in effect until amended or repealed.

APPROVED:

October 6, 1981
Date

James J. Hiniker, Jr.
JAMES J. HINIKER, JR., Commissioner
Department of Administration

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