

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONSIDERATION )  
OF RULES, STANDARDS, AND INDICES )  
TO ENSURE RELIABLE ELECTRICAL ) PSC REGULATION DOCKET NO. 50  
SERVICE BY ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION )  
COMPANIES (OPENED SEPTEMBER 26, 2000) )

**ORDER NO. 5594**

**NOW** this 5th day of December, 2000;

**WHEREAS**, in PSC Order No. 5552 (Sept. 26, 2000), the Commission directed Staff to submit, by December 25, 2000, a Report concerning Staff's views on the need for the Commission to take action in order to ensure continued reliable electric service with Delaware; and

**WHEREAS**, by the same Order, the Commission directed Staff, prior to submitting its Report, to conduct one or more public workshops or roundtables to explore with interested stakeholders the issues concerning the reliability of the electric grid; and

**WHEREAS**, Staff has reported that it has engaged in several workshops and discussions with interested stakeholders but believes it would be helpful to conduct additional discussions to fully explore the issues related to reliability and, in particular, the issue surrounding use of demand-side load management techniques to ensure reliability; and

**WHEREAS**, Staff has requested that the Commission extend the time for it to file its Report (as required by PSC Order No. 5552) until March 27, 2001; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission finds that further discussions and the requested extension of time are appropriate and will allow the Commission to have a fuller picture of what it may need to do in order to ensure electric reliability within this State; now, therefore,

**IT IS ORDERED:**

1. That the date for Staff to file the Report, as required by Ordering Paragraph 3 of PSC Order No. 5552 (Sept. 26, 2000), is hereby extended to on or before March 27, 2001.

2. That the Commission Staff is authorized to continue to schedule and hold additional workshops and roundtables on issues related to maintaining electric reliability and to continue discussions with interested stakeholders concerning such reliability issues.

3. The Commission reserves the jurisdiction and authority to enter such further Orders in this matter as may be deemed necessary or proper.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

Vice Chairman

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Commissioner

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ATTEST:

Secretary