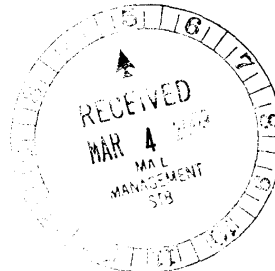


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Vernon A. Williams
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Re: Finance Docket Nos. 33995, 33996, 34182.
Docket No. AB-448 (Sub-No. 2)

Dear Mr. Williams:

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The so-called "Alienation Condition" imposed by the Board in its February 6, 2003 decision, should be continued.

The arguments advanced February 21, 2003 are not persuasive that the condition should be lifted at this time. Protestants would like to examine and review the SF&L settlement agreement.

City of Macomb and McDonough County concur in this position.

Very truly yours,

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