

**199—35.3(476) Applicability.** Each gas or electric utility required by statute to be rate-regulated shall file an assessment of potential energy and capacity savings and an energy efficiency plan which shall include economically achievable programs designed to attain the performance standards developed by the board. Combination electric and gas utilities may file combined assessments of potential and energy efficiency plans. Combined plans shall specify which energy efficiency programs are attributable to the electric operation, which are attributable to the natural gas operation, and which are attributable to both. If a combination utility files separate plans, the board may consolidate the plans for purposes of review and hearing. The board will conduct a contested case proceeding for the purpose of (1) developing specific capacity and energy savings performance standards for each utility and (2) reviewing energy efficiency plans and budgets designed to achieve those savings.