

April 21, 2023

BY HAND

Honorable Steven James  
Clerk of the House of Representatives  
State House, Room 145  
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. James:

In compliance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 3, §7 as amended, I am returning herewith the requested memorandum, petition and accompanying docket.

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IN RESPECT TO THE JOINT PETITION OF SALLY P. KERANS, JOAN B. LOVELY AND  
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cc: John Rosenberry, Legislative Director, Room 337, State House

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To: The Honorable Senate and  
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On March 23, 2023 the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmitted the above-referenced petition to me with a request for a memorandum pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 3 § 7.

The Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation") was organized by Chapter 775 of the Acts of 1975 as a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the commonwealth. The Corporation is constituted a public instrumentality for the purpose of permitting the Corporation to pursue opportunities to finance electric power facilities.

The docket before you seeks to amend Section 4 of Chapter 775 of the Acts of 1975, permitting additional members of the board of directors; increasing from nine (9) directors to thirteen (13). The docket also seeks to require the appointment of directors with expertise in clean energy, climate policy, and environmental justice.

Special legislation is necessary to accomplish the amendments. No fee is required by a corporation of this type. This office has no opinion on the merits of the legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

William Francis Galvin  
Secretary of the Commonwealth  
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