

(X) SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF A LICENSE BY ANY STATE OR FEDERAL AUTHORITY.

(L) (1) AN ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER OR PERSON SELLING OR OFFERING TO SELL ELECTRICITY IN THE STATE IN VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION, AFTER NOTICE AND AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING, IS SUBJECT TO:

(I) A CIVIL PENALTY OF NOT MORE THAN \$10,000 FOR THE VIOLATION; OR

(II) LICENSE REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION.

(2) EACH DAY A VIOLATION CONTINUES IS A SEPARATE VIOLATION.

(3) THE COMMISSION SHALL DETERMINE THE AMOUNT OF ANY CIVIL PENALTY AFTER CONSIDERING:

(I) THE NUMBER OF PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE;

(II) THE GRAVITY OF THE CURRENT VIOLATION; AND

(III) THE GOOD FAITH OF THE ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER OR PERSON CHARGED IN ATTEMPTING TO ACHIEVE COMPLIANCE AFTER NOTIFICATION OF THE VIOLATION.

(M) IN CONNECTION WITH A CONSUMER COMPLAINT OR COMMISSION INVESTIGATION UNDER THIS SECTION, AN ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER SHALL PROVIDE TO THE COMMISSION ACCESS TO ANY ACCOUNTS, BOOKS, PAPERS, AND DOCUMENTS WHICH THE COMMISSION CONSIDERS NECESSARY TO RESOLVE THE MATTER AT ISSUE.

(N) THE COMMISSION MAY ORDER THE ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER TO CEASE ADDING OR SOLICITING ADDITIONAL CUSTOMERS OR TO CEASE SERVING CUSTOMERS IN THE STATE.

(O) THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSULT WITH THE CONSUMER PROTECTION DIVISION OF THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL BEFORE ISSUING REGULATIONS DESIGNED TO PROTECT CONSUMERS.

(P) THE PEOPLE'S COUNSEL SHALL HAVE THE SAME AUTHORITY IN LICENSING, COMPLAINT, AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEEDINGS AS IT HAS IN TITLE 2 OF THIS ARTICLE.

(Q) NOTHING IN THIS SUBTITLE MAY BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT THE AUTHORITY OF THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER PROTECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO ENFORCE VIOLATIONS OF TITLES 13 AND 14 OF THE COMMERCIAL LAW ARTICLE OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE STATE LAW OR REGULATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACTIVITIES OF ELECTRICITY SUPPLIERS.