

476A.1 Definitions.

As used in this subchapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "*Agency*" means an agency as defined in section 17A.2, subsection 1.
2. "*Board*" means the utilities board within the utilities division of the department of commerce.
3. "*Certificate*" means a certificate of public convenience, use and necessity issued pursuant to section 476A.6.
4. "*Commence to construct*" means significant alteration of a site to install permanent equipment or structures but does not include activities incident to preliminary engineering, environmental studies or acquisition of a site for a facility.
5. "*Facility*" means any electric power generating plant or a combination of plants at a single site, owned by any person, with a total capacity of twenty-five megawatts of electricity or more and those associated transmission lines connecting the generating plant to either a power transmission system or an interconnected primary transmission system or both. Transmission lines subject to the provisions of this subchapter shall not require a franchise under chapter 478.
6. "*Regulatory agency*" means an agency which issues licenses or permits required for the construction, operation or maintenance of a facility pursuant to statutes or rules in effect on the date on which an application for a certificate is accepted by the utilities board.

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90 Acts, ch 1252, § 41; 2001 Acts, 1st Ex, ch 4, §35, 36