

476A.7 Issuance of certificate — effect.

1. Issuance of a certificate by the commission:
 - a. Authorizes construction of the facility on the site designated in the certificate according to the terms and conditions stated in the certificate and licenses and permits issued by regulatory agencies during the proceeding; and,
 - b. Gives the applicant the power of eminent domain to the extent and under such conditions as the commission may approve, prescribe and find necessary for the public convenience, use and necessity, proceeding in the manner of works of internal improvement under [chapter 6B](#). The burden of proving the necessity for the exercise of the power of eminent domain shall be on the person issued the certificate.
2. A certificate may be transferred, subject to the approval of the commission, to a person who agrees to comply with the terms of the certificate including any amendments to the certificate. Certificates shall be transferable by operation of law to any receiver, trustee or similar assignee under a mortgage, deed of trust or similar instrument.
3. Pursuant to the provisions of [section 476.53](#), a rate-regulated public utility shall have the option of withdrawing its application for issuance of a certificate at any time prior to the issuance of the certificate, or after the certificate has been issued.

[C77, 79, 81, §476A.7]

[2001 Acts, 1st Ex, ch 4, §15, 36; 2024 Acts, ch 1170, §369](#)