

**495—26.11(17A,97B) Consolidation—severance.**

**26.11(1) Consolidation.** The presiding officer may consolidate any or all matters at issue in two or more contested case proceedings where: (a) the matters at issue involve common parties or common questions of fact or law; (b) consolidation would expedite and simplify consideration of the issues involved; and (c) consolidation would not adversely affect the rights of any of the parties to those proceedings.

**26.11(2) Severance.** The presiding officer may, for good cause shown, order any contested case proceedings or portions thereof severed.