

199—7.10(17A,476) Prefiled testimony and exhibits.

7.10(1) The board or presiding officer may order the parties to file prefilled testimony and exhibits prior to the hearing. The use of prefilled testimony is the standard method for providing testimony in board contested case proceedings. If ordered to do so, parties must file the prefilled testimony and exhibits according to the schedule in the procedural order.

7.10(2) Prefilled testimony contains all statements that a witness intends to give under oath at the hearing, set forth in question and answer form. If possible, each line should be separately numbered. When a witness who has submitted prefilled testimony takes the stand, the witness does not ordinarily repeat the written testimony or give new testimony. Instead, the witness is cross-examined by the other parties concerning the statements already made in writing. However, the witness may be permitted to correct or update prefilled testimony on the stand and, in appropriate circumstances and with the approval of the board or presiding officer, may give a summary of the prefilled testimony. If the witness has more than three corrections to make, then the corrections should be filed in written form prior to the hearing.

7.10(3) Parties who wish to present a witness or other evidence in a proceeding shall comply with the board's or presiding officer's order concerning prefilled testimony and documentary evidence, unless otherwise ordered, or unless otherwise provided by statute or other provision of law.

7.10(4) Prefilled testimony and exhibits must be accompanied by an affidavit in substantially the following form: "I, [person's name], being first duly sworn on oath, state that I am the same [person's name] identified in the testimony being filed with this affidavit, that I have caused the testimony [and exhibits] to be prepared and am familiar with its contents, and that the testimony [and exhibits] is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief as of the date of this affidavit."

7.10(5) Prefilled testimony and exhibits submitted on paper shall include, where applicable:

a. All supporting workpapers.

(1) Unless otherwise ordered by the board or presiding officer, electronic workpapers in native electronic formats that comply with the board's standards for electronic information, which are available on the board's Web site or from the board's records and information center, shall be provided. Noncompliant electronic workpapers shall be provided as a hard copy with a brief description of software and hardware requirements. Noncompliant electronic copies shall be provided upon request by any party, the board, or the presiding officer.

(2) All other workpapers and hard-copy printouts of electronic files shall be clearly tabbed and indexed, and pages shall be numbered. Each section shall include a brief description of the sources of inputs, operations contained therein, and where outputs are next used.

(3) Workpapers' underlying analyses and data presented in exhibits shall be explicitly referenced within the exhibit, including the name and other identifiers (e.g., cell coordinates) for electronic workpapers, and volume, tab, and page numbers for other workpapers.

(4) The source of any number used in a workpaper that was not generated by that workpaper shall be identified.

b. The derivation or source of all numbers used in either testimony or exhibits that were not generated by workpapers.

c. Copies of any specific studies or financial literature relied upon or complete citations for them if publicly available.

d. Electronic copies, in native electronic format, of all computer-generated exhibits that comply with the board's standards for electronic information, which are available on the board's Web site or in the board's records and information center. Noncompliant electronic computer-generated exhibits shall be provided as a hard copy with a brief description of software and hardware requirements. Noncompliant electronic copies shall be provided upon request by any party, the board, or the presiding officer.

e. Unless otherwise ordered by the board or presiding officer, the following number of copies shall be filed:

(1) Electronic workpapers—two copies and two hard-copy printouts.

(2) Other workpapers—five copies.

(3) Specific studies or financial literature—two copies.

(4) Computer-generated exhibits—two copies.

7.10(6) Any prefilled testimony, including workpapers and exhibits, that is subject to the electronic filing requirement shall comply with the board's standards for electronic information, which are available on the board's Web site or in the board's records and information center, and the electronic filing rules in 199—Chapter 14.

7.10(7) If a party has filed part or all of prefilled testimony and exhibits as confidential pursuant to 199—1.9(22), and then later withdraws the claim of confidentiality for part or all of the testimony and exhibits, or if the board denies the request to hold the testimony and exhibits confidential, the party must refile the testimony and exhibits without the confidential stamp on each page.