

**351—11.9(17A,68B) Consolidation—severance.**

**11.9(1) Consolidation.** The presiding officer may consolidate any or all matters at issue in two or more contested case proceedings when:

- 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.

**11.9(2) Severance.** The presiding officer may, for good cause shown, order any contested case proceedings or portions thereof severed.