

265—17.8(17A) Time and manner of rule adoption.

17.8(1) *Time of adoption.* The authority shall not adopt a rule until the period for making written submissions and oral presentations has expired. Within 180 days after the later of the publication of the Notice of Intended Action, or the end of oral proceedings thereon, the authority shall adopt a rule pursuant to the rule-making proceeding or terminate the proceeding by publication of a notice to that effect in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin.

17.8(2) *Consideration of public comment.* Before the adoption of a rule, the authority shall consider fully all of the written submissions and oral submissions received in that rule-making proceeding or any memorandum summarizing such oral submissions, and any regulatory analysis, or fiscal impact statement issued in that rule-making proceeding.

17.8(3) *Reliance on authority expertise.* Except as otherwise provided by law, the authority may use its own experience, technical competence, specialized knowledge, and judgment in the adoption of a rule.