

**DR. H. EDWIN OVERCAST**

***Educational Background and Professional Experience***

Dr. Overcast graduated cum laude from King College with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics. He received the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Economics from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. His principal fields of study included Economic Theory, Public Finance and Industrial Organization, with supporting fields of study in Econometrics and Statistics. He has taught courses at both the graduate and undergraduate level in Micro-economic Theory, Managerial Economics and Public Finance. In addition, he has taught courses in Mathematical Economics, Economics of Regulation and Money and Banking. While a faculty member at East Tennessee State University, he was appointed to the Graduate Faculty and subsequently directed thesis programs for graduate students.

In 1975, he joined the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) as an Economist in the Distributor Marketing Branch. He held successively higher positions as an Economist in the Rate Research Section of the Rate Branch and was ultimately Supervisor of the Economic Staff of the Rate Branch.

In May of 1978, he joined Northeast Utilities as a Rate Economist in the Rate Research Department and was promoted to Manager of Rate Research in November 1979. In that position, he was responsible for the rate activities of each of the operating companies of Northeast Utilities: Western Massachusetts Electric Company, Holyoke

Water Power Company, Holyoke Power and Electric Company, The Connecticut Light and Power Company, and the Hartford Electric Light Company.

In March 1983, Dr. Overcast became Director of the Rates and Load Research Department of the Consumer Economics Division of Northeast Utilities. In this position, Dr. Overcast directed the planning of analyses and implementation of system-wide pricing and costs for regulated and unregulated products and services of Northeast Utilities. As part of that responsibility, Dr. Overcast represented the system companies before state and federal regulator, legislative bodies and other public and private forums on matters pertaining to rate and cost-of-service issues.

Dr. Overcast represented Northeast Utilities as a member of the Edison Electric Institute (E.E.I.) Rate Committee and the American Gas Association (A.G.A.) Rate Committee. While serving on those committees, he was the Rate Training Subcommittee Chairman of the A.G.A. Rate Committee. He has been an instructor on cost-of-service and federal regulatory issues for the E.E.I. Rate Fundamentals Course and the E.E.I. Advanced Rate Course. Dr. Overcast also represented Northeast Utilities as a member of the Load Research Committee of the Association of Edison Illuminating Companies.

In March 1989, he joined Atlanta Gas Light Company as Director - Rates and was promoted to Vice President - Rates in February 1994. In November 1994 he became Vice President - Corporate Planning and Rates and was subsequently elected Vice President - Strategy, Planning and Business Development for AGL Resources, Inc., the parent company of Atlanta Gas Light Company. His responsibilities in the various rate positions

Included: designing and administering the Company's tariffs, including rates, rules and regulations and terms of service. He represented the Company before regulatory commissions on rate and regulatory matters and oversaw the preparation of the Company's forecast of natural gas demand. He was responsible for planning activities relating to the regulated businesses of the Company. He developed strategy for both regulated and unregulated business units, monitored markets for new products and services and identified potential new business opportunities for the Company.

Dr. Overcast has previously testified in rate cases and other proceedings before the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control, the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities, the Georgia Public Service Commission, the Montana Public Service Commission, the Kansas Corporation Commission, the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board and the Tennessee Regulatory Authority and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. He has also testified before the subcommittee on Energy and Power of the U.S. House of Representatives and various committees of the Georgia General Assembly.

Dr. Overcast joined R. J. Rudden Associates, Inc. as Vice President in September 1999, his current position. He is responsible for the open access and unbundling practice area and provides economic and regulatory consulting to clients of the firm.

Dr. Overcast has served as an instructor in both the A.G.A. and EEI Rate Fundamentals Course, the AGA and EEI Advanced Rate Course and the S.G.A. Intermediate Level Rates Course.