**Section 1000.1610 Intervention**

a) Upon timely written application, the hearing officer may permit any party to intervene in a hearing proceeding, subject to the necessity for conducting an orderly and expeditious hearing, when either of the following conditions is met:

1) When the party is so situated that the party may be adversely affected by a final order arising from the hearing; or

2) When a party's circumstances and the hearing proceeding have a question of law or fact in common.

b) Two copies of a petition for intervention shall be filed with the Division (one for the Division attorney and one for the hearing officer) and one copy served on each party no later than 48 hours prior to the date set for hearing of the matters set forth in the notice of hearing. The hearing officer may permit later intervention when there is good cause for the delay.

c) An intervenor shall have all the rights of an original party, except that the hearing officer may, in his or her order allowing intervention, provide that the applicant and objector shall be bound by orders previously entered or by evidence previously received, that the applicant and objector shall not raise issues that might more properly have been raised at an earlier stage of the proceeding, that the applicant and objector shall not raise new issues or add new parties, or that in other respects the applicant and objector shall not interfere with the control of the hearing, as justice and the avoidance of undue delay may require.

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