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RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL NO. 2-35

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RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL NO. 2 (Second Session, 1967)

TERRITORIAL UTILITY CORPORATION

DISPOSITION

Tabled	To Committee	Accepted as Read	Accepted as Amended	Deferred (to Session)	Rejected	Noted not Considered

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL NO. 2

TERRITORIAL UTILITY CORPORATION

At its 34th Session, the Council of the Northwest Territories adopted a motion requesting a study of the possibility and feasibility of establishing a Territorial Utility Corporation to supply electrical energy to all communities in the Northwest Territories where private suppliers were not already activities tablished, this Corporation to take over present Government and Northern Canada Power Commission establishments.

The Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development; assisted by the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Northern Canada Power Commission, and the National Research Council is currently engaged in studies related to the problem of electrical energy as it affects the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

The subjects under investigation include:

Plans for the future; Surveys of water power; The use of oil, gas and other fuels for the generation of electrical energy; The utilization of fuel batteries in Northern Canada; The subsidization of electrical energy; The compatibility of private power in the North; The granting of franchises and their effect on the economy.

Engineers, economists, and other highly trained professionals from within the Public Service and outside it, are employed in these complex and highly technical studies. The full cost is being met from federal funds.

RECOMMENDATION

The Commissioner recommends that a decision to conduct an independent study by the Territorial Government be deferred for a period of one year to permit the completion of the federal studies, which are well underway.