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OHIO POWER PROPOSES BOND FINANCING

Ohio Power Company, Canton, has applied to the SEC for authorization to issue and sell \$25,000,000 of First Mortgage Bonds, Series due 1987, at competitive bidding; and the Commission has issued an order giving interested persons until October 30, 1957, to request a hearing.

Concurrently with the sale of the bonds by Ohio Power, its parent, American Gas and Electric Company, proposes to make a \$12,000,000 cash capital contribution to Ohio Power. Net proceeds of the sale of the bonds and the capital contribution are to be applied by Ohio Power to the prepayment of not in excess of \$36,000,000 of outstanding bank notes. The remaining proceeds together with other funds will be applied to property additions and improvements. (See Holding Company Act Release No. 13563.)

MYSTIC VALLEY GAS FILES FOR BOND ISSUE

Mystic Valley Gas Company, Malden, Mass., today filed a registration statement (File 2-13687) with the SEC seeking registration of \$3,500,000 of First Mortgage Bonds, Series B, due 1977, to be offered for public sale at competitive bidding. At October 15, 1957, the company had outstanding \$3,250,000 of notes payable to The First National City Bank of New York evidencing borrowings made for construction purposes. The proceeds of this bond financing, without deduction of expenses, will be used to pay such notes concurrently with the issue of the new bonds, and the balance thereof will be used to pay for construction.

BROCKTON EDISON FIANCING CLEARED

The SEC has issued an order authorizing Brockton Edison Company, <u>Brockton</u>, <u>Mass.</u>, to issue and sell, at competitive bidding, (a) 30,000 shares of \$100 par cumulative preferred stock and (b) \$3,000,000 of First Mortgage and Collateral Trust Bonds, Series due 1987.

Net proceeds, to the extent of \$5,000,000, are to be used to acquire 8,000 shares of the \$100 par common stock, and \$4,200,000 of debenture bonds, of Montaup Electric Company, a subsidiary. The balance of the proceeds of approximately \$1,000,000 are to be used to repay in part or in whole Brockton's short-term bank loans issued to Provide construction funds. (See Holding Company Act Release No. 13564.)

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