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2                                   ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION  
3                                   TRANSPORTATION REGULAR OPEN MEETING

4                                   Thursday, March 18, 2021

5                                   Chicago, Illinois

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7                                   Met pursuant to notice via videoconference  
8                                   at 11:30 a.m. at 160 North LaSalle Street, Chicago,  
9                                   Illinois.

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11                                   PRESENT:

- 12                                   CARRIE ZALEWSKI, Chairwoman  
  (via Chicago Office)  
13                                   D. ETHAN KIMBREL, Commissioner  
  (via Chicago Office)  
14                                   SADZI M. OLIVA, Commissioner  
  (via videoconference)  
15                                   MARIA S. BOCANEGRA, Commissioner  
  (via videoconference)  
16                                   MICHAEL T. CARRIGAN, Commissioner  
  (via Springfield Office)

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21                                   BRIDGES COURT REPORTING  
22                                   BY: Michael J. Duffy, CER  
  Notary Public

1 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Under the Open Meetings  
2 Act, and in accordance with the Governor's  
3 executive orders, I call the March 18th, 2021  
4 Regular Open Meeting to order.

5 Before we proceed, and for clarity of the  
6 record, I would ask everyone to state their name  
7 before speaking and to speak slowly and clearly so  
8 that the Court Reporter can capture everything that  
9 is said. I checked that we have all commissioners  
10 with us, so we have a quorum.

11 Under our transportation agenda,  
12 there are no edits to the February 18th, 2021,  
13 Transportation Regular Open Meeting Minutes. Are  
14 there any objections to approving the minutes?

15 (No verbal response.)

16 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the  
17 minutes are approved.

18 Under our railroad items, Items  
19 RR1 through RR7 concern public safety and  
20 improvement projects at railroad crossings. The  
21 orders approve the projects, extend the projects'  
22 deadlines and approve cost apportionment. Are

1 there any objections to considering these items  
2 together and approving the orders?

3 (No verbal response.)

4 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the  
5 orders are approved. There are no motor carrier  
6 items.

7 Item CR1 and CR2 concern  
8 applications for Class E Recovery Permits. The  
9 Commission staff has reviewed the applications and  
10 have no objection to preempting the permits. Are  
11 there -- excuse me, there are substantive edits to  
12 the orders that grant the permits on probation and  
13 require quarterly reporting by the Applicant. Is  
14 there a motion to approve the edits?

15 MS. BOCANEGRA: Chair Zalewski, this is  
16 Commissioner Bocanegra. I'll make that motion.

17 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Is there a second?

18 MR. CARRIGAN: Commissioner Carrigan. I'll  
19 second.

20 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Thank you. Is there  
21 any discussion from Commissioners?

22 (No verbal response.)

1 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Are there any  
2 objections to approving the edits of the two  
3 orders?

4 (No verbal response.)

5 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the edits  
6 are approved. Are there any objections to  
7 approving the two orders as edited?

8 (No verbal response.)

9 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the  
10 orders are approved.

11 Item AM1 concerns the Commission's  
12 2020 annual report on accidents and incidents  
13 involving hazardous materials on railroads in  
14 Illinois. The report will be submitted to the  
15 governor and the general assembly upon Commission  
16 approval.

17 The report includes the accident locations,  
18 the involved substances and amounts, and the  
19 suspected reason for each accident that occurred in  
20 Illinois during the calendar year of 2020. Are  
21 there any objections to approving the report?

22 (No verbal response.)

1 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the  
2 report is approved.

3 Item AM2 concerns the 2022 to 2026, Crossing  
4 Safety Improvement Program, a five-year plan that  
5 will be submitted to the governor and the general  
6 assembly upon Commission approval. The report  
7 represents the rail safety's sections recommended  
8 list of highway-rail safety capital improvement  
9 projects for the Commission's FY 2022 to 2026 plan.  
10 Among other spending, the report recommends that  
11 over \$341 million from the grade crossing  
12 protection fund and Rebuild Illinois Fund be  
13 approved to help local communities and railroads  
14 pay for safety improvement at nearly 500 crossing  
15 locations. Are there any objections to you  
16 approving the plan?

17 (No verbal response.)

18 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the plan  
19 is approved. This concludes our transportation  
20 agenda.  
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