

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, February 8, 2024

Springfield, Illinois

Met pursuant to notice via video-conference at  
11:30 AM.

PRESENT:

MR. DOUGLAS P. SCOTT, CHAIRMAN

MICHAEL T. CARRIGAN, COMMISSIONER

CONRAD REDDICK, COMMISSIONER

STACEY PARDIS, COMMISSIONER

ANN McCABE, COMMISSIONER

MAGNA LEGAL SERVICES

BY: Evelyn Carter, CER,

Notary Public

1                   CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Under the Open Meetings  
2 Act, I now call the February 8th, 2024 Regular Open  
3 Meeting to order.

4                   Commissioners Carrigan, McCabe and  
5 Paradis are with me in Springfield. Commissioner  
6 Reddick is joining us from Chicago. We have a quorum.

7                   There are no requests to speak today, so  
8 we will start today's meeting with a Public Utilities  
9 Agenda followed by our Transportation Agenda.

10                  For the Public Utilities Agenda, there  
11 are edits to the January 31st Regular Open Meeting  
12 Minutes. Are there any objections to approving the  
13 Minutes as edited?

14                  (No verbal response.)

15                  CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the  
16 Minutes are approved as edited.

17                  Moving on to Electric Items. Item E-1  
18 concerns a Motion for Clarification in docket 22-0486  
19 and 23-0055 consolidated. This docket concerns ComEd's  
20 Petition for approval of its Multi-year Integrated Grid  
21 Plan and Multi-Year Rate Plan.

22                  In its Motion, ComEd seeks clarification

1 on three issues. The Commission denies the motion in  
2 its entirety. Are there any objections to denying the  
3 Motion?

4 (No verbal response.)

5 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the  
6 Motion is denied.

7 Item E-2 concerns two requests for Oral  
8 Argument in docket 23-0714, which is the Illinois Power  
9 Agency's 2024 Long Term Renewable Resources Procurement  
10 Plan. NRG Companies and ESI request Oral Argument in  
11 this docket. The ALJs recommend denying the Requests  
12 for Oral Argument, finding that the arguments raised by  
13 both parties are addressed in their filings in this  
14 docket.

15 Are there any objections to denying the  
16 Request for Oral Argument?

17 (No verbal response)

18 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the  
19 Requests are denied.

20 Item E-3 concerns Mt. Carmel's Request  
21 to renew \$1.5 million of long-term debt. The Order  
22 approves the long-term debt renewal. The Order finds

1 that the proposed transactions are reasonably required  
2 for the purposes indicated by Mt. Carmel in its  
3 verified Informational Statement.

4 Are there any objections to approving  
5 the Order?

6 (No verbal response.)

7 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the Order  
8 is approved.

9 Items E-4 and E-5 concern applications  
10 for certifications to install energy efficiency  
11 measures in Illinois. The Orders grant the  
12 certificates, finding that the applicants meet the  
13 requirements.

14 Are there any objections to considering  
15 these items together and approving the orders?

16 (No verbal response.)

17 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the  
18 Orders are approved.

19 Moving on to Gas Items. Item G-1  
20 concerns an Order initiating a proceeding to examine  
21 the Future of Natural Gas and issues associated with  
22 decarbonization of the gas distribution system. The

1 Commission's final orders, approved on November 16,  
2 2023, in the Peoples', North Shore's, Ameren's and  
3 Nicor's rate cases direct Staff to present an  
4 Initiating Order to the Commission for the Future of  
5 Gas proceeding within 90 days. The Commission  
6 acknowledges that Staff has provided this Initiating  
7 Order and is reviewing and finalizing the process and  
8 details of the Future of Gas proceeding.

9 An Initiating Order to commence the  
10 Future of Gas proceeding will be voted on in the near  
11 future. Commission appreciates Staff's attention to  
12 this matter and stakeholders' patience as the details  
13 of this matter are finalized.

14 As such, the Commission will hold this  
15 item for later disposition.

16 Items G-2 and G-3 concern requests by  
17 North Shore and Peoples Gas to approve the  
18 reconciliation of revenues collected in each company's  
19 respective coal tar rider with actual costs incurred  
20 during the 2022 reconciliation period. The Orders  
21 approved the reconciliations as set forth in the  
22 Appendices to the Orders, finding that the costs were

1 reasonably and prudently incurred.

2 Are there any objections to considering  
3 these items together and approving the Orders?

4 (No verbal response.)

5 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the  
6 Orders are approved.

7 Item G-4 concerns a consolidated request  
8 to reconcile revenues by North Shore and Peoples Gas  
9 under its Volume Balancing Adjustment, or Rider VBA for  
10 the 2022 calendar year.

11 The Order approves the reconciliation as  
12 set forth in the Appendices to the Order, finding that  
13 the costs were appropriately reconciled.

14 Are there any objections to approving  
15 the Order?

16 (No verbal response.)

17 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the Order  
18 is approved.

19 Moving on to Telecommunications Items.  
20 Items T-1 and T-2 concern request for proprietary  
21 treatment of information in the Petitioners' 2023  
22 Annual Reports. The Orders grant the protections,

1 finding that the information is highly proprietary and  
2 confidential.

3 Are there any objections to considering  
4 these items together and approving the Orders?

5 (No verbal response.)

6 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the  
7 orders are approved.

8 Moving on to Water and Sewer items.

9 Item W-1 concerns Illinois American's proposed rate  
10 increase for water and sewer services. Commission  
11 Staff recommends suspending the filing. The Order  
12 suspends the filing.

13 Are there any objections to approving  
14 the Order suspending the filing?

15 (No verbal response.)

16 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the Order  
17 is approved and the filing is suspended.

18 Moving on to Other Business. Items O-1  
19 and O-2 concern approval of Batches, Contracts and  
20 Confirmations under the Illinois Solar for All Program  
21 and Illinois Adjustable Block Program.

22 Are there any objections to considering

1 these items together and to approving the Program  
2 Administrators' Submissions?

3 (No verbal response.)

4 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the  
5 submissions are approved.

6 This concludes our Public Utilities  
7 agenda. We will now move to the Transportation Agenda.

8 (Whereupon the Transportation Agenda was held.)

9 (WHEREUPON, the above-entitled  
10 proceedings concluded at 11:36 AM.)

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1 I, Evelyn Carter, CER and Notary Public,  
2 being first duly sworn on oath says that I am an  
3 electronic reporter; reported the proceedings that were  
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5 page hereof; and that the foregoing is a true and  
6 correct transcript of report of proceedings so taken  
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8 I further certify that I am not related to any  
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