

1 BEFORE THE
2 ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION
3 SPECIAL OPEN MEETING
4 Thursday, July 14, 2022
5 Springfield, Illinois

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7 Met pursuant to notice at 11:30 AM at 527 East
8 Capitol Avenue, Springfield, Illinois.

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10 Present in Springfield:

11 CARRIE ZALEWSKI, Chair

12 MICHAEL T. CARRIGAN, Commissioner

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14 Present in Chicago:

15 D. ETHAN KIMBREL, Commissioner

16 ANN McCABE, Commissioner

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21 Bridges Court Reporting
22 BY: Michael J. Duffy, CER
Notary Public

1 CHAIR ZALEWSKI: Hi. Good morning. I have
2 11:30. Are we ready to proceed in Chicago?

3 COMMISSIOER KIMBREL: Yes, Madam Chair.

4 CHAIR ZALEWSKI: Thank you. Then, under the Open
5 Meetings Act, I call the July 14, 2022, Special Open
6 Meeting to order.

7 Commissioner Carrigan is with me in the
8 Springfield office. Commissioners Kimbrel and McCabe
9 are in the Chicago office. We have a quorum.

10 We have no requests to speak, and we
11 have two items on our public utility agenda.

12 Item 1 concerns the consolidated Docket
13 21-0607 and 21-0739 that concerns the Commission's
14 investigation of ComEd concerning rate effects of
15 conduct admitted in the deferred prosecution agreement.

16 Since I have recused myself from this
17 docket, I'm going to pass the floor to Commissioner
18 Kimbrel.

19 COMMISSIOER KIMBREL: Thank you, Madam Chair.
20 There are two matters before the Commission today on
21 Item 1: The request for oral argument and the order
22 approving the refund. First we'll consider the request

1 for oral argument.

2 On June 29th, the attorney general's
3 office of the City of Chicago and the Citizens Utility
4 Board filed a brief on exceptions in which they request
5 oral argument pursuant to Section 200.850(a)(3) of the
6 commission's rules. The AG, City, and CUB state that
7 they wish to address the record in Section 4-604.5 of
8 the Public Utilities Act in relation to their
9 recommendation that the Commission order Commonwealth
10 Edison to refund 7 million excess returns collected in
11 Docket No. 21-0367 and remove the 200 million equity
12 infusion from each future rate proceeding.

13 In its reply brief on exception, Staff
14 points out that Section 200.850 of the Commission's
15 rules is permissive. The Commission need not hear oral
16 argument in this docket. Staff notes that the issues
17 identified by AG, City, and CUB have been addressed
18 throughout the briefing stage of the proceeding and
19 oral argument would be redundant and an inefficient use
20 of the Commission's already constrained time and
21 resources.

22 Further, the ALJ recommends the

1 Commission deny AG, City, CUB's request for oral
2 argument, noting oral argument is not required by law
3 as the dockets were not initiated under Section 9-201
4 of the Act. The ALJ also notes that the AG, City, CUB
5 do not offer any new information or argument for which
6 oral argument is needed.

7 Are there any objections to denying the
8 request for oral argument?

9 (No verbal response.)

10 COMMISSIOER KIMBREL: Hearing none, the request
11 for oral argument is denied.

12 We will hold the order approving the
13 refund for disposition in a future meeting.

14 Madam Chair, I yield the floor.

15 CHAIR ZALEWSKI: Thank you. And I just want to
16 note for the record that I abstained from the vote in
17 the previous docket.

18 Thank you, Commissioner Kimbrel.

19 So Item 2 concerns approval of the
20 IPA's 2022 long term renewable resources procurement
21 plan. The plan authorizes over \$1.1 billion to procure
22 new renewable generation in the State of Illinois over

1 the next two years. This investment will support a
2 variety of renewable projects across the state. The
3 order approves the plan with the modifications
4 indicated in the order and directs IPA to file a
5 compliance filing within 60 days of this order,
6 consistent with the filings of the order.

7 Last night U.S. Solar filed an untimely
8 objection to the IPA's reply brief on exceptions and in
9 opposition to the Joint Solar Parties proposal on
10 tiebreaker scoring related to the interconnection
11 agreements. The ALJ notes that U.S. Solar had the
12 opportunity to file a reply brief on exceptions in
13 opposition to the Joint S.P.'s new proposal and chose
14 not to.

15 The ALJ notes that U.S. Solar's only
16 filing until yesterday was its objection, which were
17 filed in April, and then its last minute attempt to
18 correct this strategic error should not be considered.

19 We will thus proceed to approving the
20 order. Are there any objections to approving the
21 order?

22 (No verbal response.)

1 CHAIR ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the order is
2 approved.

3 So this concludes our agenda.

4 Judge Teague-Kingsley. Do we have
5 other matters to come before the Commission today?

6 JUDGE TEAGUE-KINGSLEY: No, Madam Chairman.

7 CHAIR ZALEWSKI: Do the commissioners have any
8 other business to discuss.

9 (No verbal response.)

10 CHAIR ZALEWSKI: Hearing none and without
11 objection, the meeting is adjourned. Thank you.

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13 (WHEREUPON, the above-entitled matter
14 was adjourned at 11:35 AM)

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