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BEFORE THE
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION
REGULAR OPEN MEETING
PUBLIC UTILITY
Wednesday, July 26, 2017
Chicago, Illinois

Met, pursuant to notice, at 10:30 A.M.,
at 160 North La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois.

- PRESENT:
- BRIEN J. SHEAHAN, Chairman
 - SADZI MARTHA OLIVA, Acting Commissioner
 - SHERINA E. MAYE EDWARDS, Commissioner
 - MIGUEL DEL VALLE, Commissioner
 - JOHN R. ROSALES, Commissioner

SULLIVAN REPORTING COMPANY, by
PATRICIA WESLEY
CSR NO. 084-002170

1 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Good morning. Are we ready to
2 proceed in Springfield?

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR MATRISCH: Yes, we are.

4 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Pursuant to the Open Meetings
5 Act, I call the July 26, 2017 Regular Open Meeting
6 to order.

7 Commissioners del Valle, Edwards,
8 Rosales, and Acting Commissioner Oliva are present
9 with me in Chicago. We have a quorum.

10 There are no requests to speak this
11 morning.

12 Moving on to our Public Utilities
13 agenda, there are edits to the Minutes of our
14 June 28, 2017 Regular Open Meeting and Policy
15 Session.

16 Are there any objections to approving
17 the Minutes as edited?

18 (No response.)

19 Hearing none, the Minutes are
20 approved.

21 Item E-1 concerns Ameren's filing to
22 add a new section called Alternative Compliance

1 Payments.

2 Are there any objections to not
3 suspending the filing?

4 (No response.)

5 Hearing none, the filing is not
6 suspended.

7 Item E-2 concerns CUB and EDF
8 proceedings to adopt the Illinois Open Data Access
9 Framework.

10 Are there any objections to approving
11 the proposed Order directing consideration of the
12 framework?

13 (No response.)

14 Hearing none, the Orders are approved.

15 Items E-3 and 4 concern consumer
16 complaints against ComEd.

17 Are there any objections to
18 considering these items together and granting the
19 Joint Motions to Dismiss?

20 (No response.)

21 Hearing none, the motions are granted.

22 Item E-5 concerns ComEd's

1 Revenue-Neutral Tariff Changes related to rate
2 design.

3 Are there any objections to denying
4 the request for oral argument?

5 (No response.)

6 Hearing none, the request for oral
7 argument is denied.

8 Are there any objections to approving
9 the proposed Order?

10 (No response.)

11 Hearing none, the Order is approved.

12 Items E-6 through 9 concern
13 applications for various certificates.

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

17 (No response.)

18 Hearing none, the Orders are approved.

19 Item E-10 concerns Cancellation of
20 Authority.

21 Are there any objections to approving
22 the proposed Order?

1 (No response.)

2 Hearing none, the Order is approved.

3 Item G-1 concerns Spark Energy Gas'
4 Application for a Certificate of Service Authority.

5 Is there a motion to approve the
6 proposed Order granting the certificate?

7 COMMISSIONER MAYE EDWARDS: So moved.

8 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Is there a second?

9 COMMISSIONER ROSALES: Seconded.

10 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Is there any discussion?

11 Commissioner del Valle.

12 COMMISSIONER del VALLE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

13 Spark Energy Gas has changed its
14 corporate structure and is seeking a certificate to
15 continue to operate in Illinois.

16 As part of its application, Spark
17 Energy Gas provided a list of formal complaints
18 filed by customers in numerous jurisdictions. The
19 list also included complaints against its
20 affiliates, one of which, Major Energy, was the
21 subject of a substantial investigation by the
22 Commission concerning its marketing practices in

1 2015.

2 I would expect an investigation of
3 this scale would have moved not only Major Energy
4 but all of its affiliates to demonstrate significant
5 improvements in their marketing practices, but,
6 despite this investigation, Spark Energy's electric
7 consumer complaint rating on Plug-In-Illinois has
8 consistently lingered among the worse rated
9 suppliers and, over the last year, Spark Energy Gas
10 has been the subject of 68 informal complaints among
11 the highest over that period.

12 The Commission has established rules
13 concerning the marketing of electric suppliers. The
14 same needs to be done for Retail Gas Suppliers.
15 These rules are necessary to protect gas consumers.
16 I'll be voting no.

17 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Thank you, Commissioner.

18 Any other discussion?

19 COMMISSIONER ROSALES: Yes, Mr. Chairman.

20 I also understand my colleague's
21 decision on Spark Energy. I do see it as a
22 separation so that we can't take that into

1 consideration in terms of making a vote.

2 I do have my concerns. I understand
3 my colleague's concerns very much so. If I could,
4 there is some discourse, and this decision should
5 stand as something that they should consider, but I
6 will be voting yes. Thank you.

7 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Any other discussion?

8 (No response.)

9 All those in favor, say aye.

10 COMMISSIONER MAYE EDWARDS: Aye.

11 ACTING COMMISSIONER OLIVA: Aye.

12 COMMISSIONER ROSALES: Aye.

13 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Opposed, say nay.

14 Nay.

15 COMMISSIONER del VALLE: Nay.

16 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: The vote is 3 to 2 and the
17 motion passes.

18 Item G-2 concerns Spark Energy Gas'
19 petition for confidential treatment of proprietary
20 information.

21 Are there any objections to granting
22 the Motion to Dismiss?

1 (No response.)

2 Hearing none, the motion is granted.

3 Moving on to our Telecommunications
4 agenda, Item T-1 concerns Access Wireless'
5 Application for Designation as an Eligible
6 Telecommunications Carrier for Offering Lifeline
7 Service.

8 Are there any objections to approving
9 the proposed Order granting the petition?

10 (No response.)

11 Hearing none, the Order is approved.

12 Item T-2 concerns Global Capacity's
13 petition for confidential treatment of certain
14 proprietary information.

15 Are there any objections to approving
16 the proposed Order?

17 (No response.)

18 Hearing none, the Order is approved.

19 Items T-3 and 4 concern applications
20 for various certificates.

21 Are there any objections to
22 considering these items together and approving the

1 proposed Orders granting the certificates?

2 Hearing none, the Orders are approved.

3 Items T-5 and 6 concern petitions to
4 cancel certificates.

5 Are there any objections to
6 considering these items together and approving the
7 proposed Orders?

8 (No response.)

9 Hearing none, the Orders are approved.

10 Moving on to our Water and Sewer
11 agenda, Item W-1 concerns Illinois-American Water's
12 filing to remove the Public Fire Protection Charge
13 from the Ridge Crest Service District.

14 Are there any objections to not
15 suspending the filing?

16 (No response.)

17 Hearing none, the filing is not
18 suspended.

19 Item W-2 concerns Illinois-American
20 Water's Application for a Certificate of Public
21 Convenience and Necessity.

22 Are there any objections to approving

1 the proposed interim Order approving the Appraiser's
2 Engagement Agreements?

3 (No response.)

4 Hearing none, the Order is approved.

5 Judge Kimbrel, do we have any other
6 matters to bring before the Commission this morning?

7 JUDGE KIMBREL: No, Mr. Chairman.

8 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Commissioners, do any of you
9 have any other business you would like to bring
10 before the Commission?

11 (No response.)

12 Hearing none and without objection,
13 the meeting stands adjourned.

14 (Whereupon, the above
15 matter was adjourned.)

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