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BEFORE THE  
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION  
SPECIAL OPEN MEETING  
(PUBLIC UTILITY)  
Friday, August 25, 2017  
Chicago, Illinois

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

PRESENT:

- BRIEN J. SHEAHAN, Chairman
- SADZI M. OLIVA, Acting Commissioner
- MIGUEL DEL VALLE, Commissioner
- JOHN R. ROSALES, Commissioner

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1           CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Pursuant to the Open Meeting  
2 Act, I call the August 25th, 2017 Special Open  
3 Meeting to order.

4                   Commissioners del Valle, Rosales, and  
5 Acting Commissioner Oliva are present with me in  
6 Chicago. We have a quorum. We have no requests to  
7 speak.

8                   Moving on to our Public Utilities  
9 Agenda, there are no minutes to approve this week.

10                   Moving on to our Electricity items,  
11 E-1 concerns Revenue-neutral tariff changes related  
12 to Ameren's rate design.

13                   Are there any objections to approving  
14 the proposed Order on Rehearing?

15                                   (No response.)

16           CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is  
17 approved.

18                   Item E-2 concerns Amendment of Code  
19 Part 455.

20                   Are there any objections to approving  
21 the proposed Order authorizing the Second Notice  
22 Period?

23                                   (No response.)

24           CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is

1 approved.

2 Item E-3 concerns Administrative Rules  
3 for Certification for Utility-Scale Wind and Solar  
4 Installers.

5 Are there any objections to approving  
6 the proposed Order authorizing the Second Notice  
7 Period?

8 (No response.)

9 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is  
10 approved.

11 Item E-4 concerns Administrative Rules  
12 for Certification for Energy Efficiency Installers.

13 Commissioner del Valle has some  
14 comments.

15 COMMISSIONER DEL VALLE: Yes. Thank you,  
16 Mr. Chairman.

17 The Illinois Energy Efficiency Program  
18 is well-established and set to grow significantly.  
19 According to the Clean Job Midwest Report from 2016,  
20 Energy Efficiency has produced almost 90,000 jobs in  
21 Illinois. The Future Energy Jobs Act authorizes the  
22 electrical utilities to increase their programs, and  
23 just ComEd alone plans on spending between 250 and  
24 400 million in ratepayer dollars per year between now

1 and 2030. It seems these Energy Efficiency jobs will  
2 be by far the bulk of the jobs affected by the new  
3 law.

4 But despite there being no evidence  
5 that I've seen that the 10-year old energy efficiency  
6 industry was unsafe, the General Assembly inserted a  
7 familiar barrier into their so-called "jobs bill".  
8 Now to complete installations, as defined by the  
9 rule, a Qualified Person would need to have finished  
10 a formal certificate or degree program or have become  
11 a union journeyman electrician.

12 I have expressed concerns about the  
13 effect of these traditional gatekeepers on  
14 opportunities for people of color, and I remain  
15 convinced that they represent significant barriers to  
16 employment, which our Staff and the Commission  
17 acknowledge in this Order.

18 The Future Energy Jobs Act does set  
19 aside some ratepayer money for a job training program  
20 for ComEd, though not Ameren. And while these  
21 programs are good, they almost exclusively focus on  
22 solar installation and are only a drop in the bucket,  
23 especially compared to the billions and billions of  
24 dollars that will be spent.

1                   The General Assembly and the  
2   proponents of the Act promised significant new  
3   opportunities, but the law dictates the same old  
4   barriers faced by our state's marginalized  
5   communities and limits access to, roughly, two-thirds  
6   of this state's clean energy jobs.

7                   These limitations make it imperative  
8   that utilities, stakeholders, and the Commission go  
9   beyond the call of duty to proactively and  
10  extensively educate those involved; monitor the  
11  industry; and, if need be, revisit these rules or  
12  modify the law to ensure that the energy efficiency  
13  jobs promised by FEJA are realized for communities  
14  which have been historically underrepresented in  
15  energy trades. Thank you.

16                  CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Thank you, Commissioner.

17                   Any other comments?

18   (No response.)

19                  CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Are there any objections to  
20  approving the proposed Order authorizing the Second  
21  Notice Period?

22   (No response.)

23                  CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is  
24  approved.

1                   Item E-5 concerns Ameren's Request for  
2 Waiver of Certain Provisions of Code Part 285.

3                   Are there any objections to approving  
4 the proposed Order approving the request?

5                                   (No response.)

6                   CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is  
7 approved.

8                   Item E-6 concerns Althoff Industries'  
9 Application for Certification as an Installer of  
10 Distributed Generation Facilities.

11                   Are there any objections to the  
12 proposed Order granting the certificate?

13                                   (No response.)

14                   CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is  
15 approved.

16                   Items E-7 through 9 concern  
17 Applications for Licensure of Agents, Brokers, and  
18 Consultants.

19                   Are there any objections to  
20 considering these items or approving the proposed  
21 Orders granting the certificates?

22                                   (No response.)

23                   CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Orders are  
24 approved.

1                   Item E-10 concerns Constellation  
2 NewEnergy's Application to Amend Certificate of  
3 Service.

4                   Are there any objections to approving  
5 the proposed Order granting the certificate?

6                                   (No response.)

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

9                   Item E-11 concerns Ameren  
10 Transmission's Petition for an Order Authorizing the  
11 Use of Eminent Domain.

12                   Are there any objections to approving  
13 the proposed Order granting the petition?

14                                   (No response.)

15           CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN:   Hearing none, the Order is  
16 approved.

17                   Item E-12 concerns MidAmerican's  
18 request for an Order authorizing the issuance and  
19 sale of Long-Term Debt.

20                   Are there any objections to approving  
21 the proposed Order granting the petition?

22                                   (No response.)

23           CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN:   Hearing none, the Order is  
24 approved.

1                   Moving on to our Gas Agenda, Item G-1  
2 concerns Illinois Gas & Electric's Petition for the  
3 Confidential Treatment of certain proprietary  
4 information.

5                   Are there any objections to approving  
6 the proposed Order granting the petition?

7                   (No response.)

8                   CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is  
9 approved.

10                   Item G-2 concerns Unocal Pipeline's  
11 Petition to Cancel its Certificate.

12                   Are there any objections to approving  
13 the proposed Order granting the -- I'm sorry --  
14 approving the proposed Order dismissing the  
15 certificate?

16                   (No response.)

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

19                   Moving on to the Telecommunications  
20 Agenda, Item T-1 concerns Frontier North's  
21 Application for Authorization to Provide Video  
22 Service. This item is informational only and does  
23 not require Commission action.

24                   Item T-2 concerns an Order authorizing



1 the submission of a second notice of proposed  
2 amendments to Code Part 737.

3 Are there any objections to approving  
4 the proposed Order authorizing the Second Notice  
5 Period?

6 (No response.)

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

9 Item T-3 concerns a Repeal of Code  
10 Part 773.

11 Are there any objections to approving  
12 the proposed Order authorizing the Second Notice  
13 Period?

14 (No response.)

15 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is  
16 approved.

17 Item T-4 concerns AT&T Business  
18 Solutions' Application for a Certificate of Authority  
19 to Operate as a 9-1-1 System Provider in the State of  
20 Illinois.

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

23 (No response.)

24 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is

1 approved.

2 Moving on to our Water Agenda,  
3 Item W-1 concerns Illinois-American Water's  
4 Application for the Issuance of a Certificate of  
5 Public Convenience and Necessity.

6 Are there any objections to approving  
7 the proposed Order granting the application?

8 (No response.)

9 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is  
10 approved.

11 Item W-2 concerns Illinois-American  
12 Water's issuance and sale of long-term indebtedness.

13 Are there any objections to approving  
14 the proposed Order granting the petition?

15 (No response.)

16 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is  
17 approved.

18 Item W-3 concerns Illinois-American  
19 Water's Petition for approval of an affiliated  
20 interest transaction related to the issuance of the  
21 sale of long-term indebtedness.

22 Are there any objections to approving  
23 the proposed Order granting the petition?

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1 (No response.)

2 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is  
3 approved.

4 Moving on to Other Business, we have  
5 one item concerning the August 2017 Solicitation of  
6 Bids to Sell Standard Energy Products to Ameren,  
7 ComEd, and MidAmerican.

8 Are there any objections to approving  
9 the Procurement Administrator's Recommendations on  
10 the Selection of Winning Bids?

11 (No response.)

12 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the report is  
13 approved.

14 Judge Kimbrel, do you have any other  
15 matters to bring before the Commission this morning?

16 JUDGE KIMBREL: No, Mr. Chairman.

17 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Commissioner del Valle has a  
18 "thank you", I think, from all of us.

19 COMMISSIONER DEL VALLE: Yes. Thank you,  
20 Mr. Chairman.

21 I just want to take a moment to  
22 recognize Bill Peters, who was a former adviser to  
23 our former colleague Anne McCabe. He did an  
24 excellent job for her, and he's moving on. He's

1 going to be going over to MISO, and I'm sure he'll do  
2 a great job there. So I just, on behalf of the  
3 Commission, want to wish you the best.

4 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Thank you.

5 He also did a phenomenal job working  
6 on MARC. And I think we're all excited that he's  
7 secured a spot at MISO.

8 Any other matters from the  
9 Commissioners?

10 (No response.)

11 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: All right. Hearing none,  
12 and without objection, the meeting is adjourned.  
13 Thank you.

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

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