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BEFORE THE
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION
SPECIAL OPEN MEETING
PUBLIC UTILITIES
September 24, 2018
Chicago, Illinois
and Springfield, Illinois

Met, pursuant to notice, at 11:30 A.M., at 160
North LaSalle Street Chicago, Illinois, and by
videoconference with 527 East Capitol Avenue,
Springfield, Illinois

- PRESENT:
- BRIEN J. SHEAHAN, Chairman
 - SADZI M. OLIVA, Commissioner
 - JOHN R. ROSALES, Commissioner
 - D. ETHAN KIMBREL, Commissioner
 - ANASTASIA PALIVOS, Acting Commissioner

ALARIS LITIGATION SERVICES, by
Robin A. Enstrom, RPR, CSR
License No. 084-002046

1 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Okay. Good morning.
2 We're back.

3 Are we ready to proceed in Springfield?

4 CHIEF CLERK: Yes, we are, and the court
5 reporter is in the room.

6 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Okay. Great.

7 So, just for the record, we had called
8 the meeting to order at 10:30. The court reporter
9 was not present. We had a quorum, and we recessed
10 the meeting for one hour. So one hour has
11 transpired, and we're back.

12 Commissioners Rosales, Oliva and
13 Kimbrel, and Acting Commissioner Palivos are with me
14 in Chicago. We have a quorum.

15 We have no requests to speak.

16 We'll now move into our public utilities
17 agenda.

18 There are edits to the August 28, 2018,
19 Special Opening Meeting. Are there any objections
20 to approving the minutes as edited?

21 (No response.)

22 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
23 minutes are approved.

24 Item E-1 concerns an update to

1 MidAmerican's Excess Facilities Rider to reflect tax
2 rate changes that have occurred since its last rate
3 case. Are there any objections to not suspending
4 the filing?

5 (No response.)

6 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
7 filing is not suspended.

8 Item E-2 initiates a Notice of Inquiry
9 regarding electric vehicles. Commissioner Palivos
10 has a statement she'd like to make.

11 ACTING COMMISSIONER PALIVOS: Building
12 on the Commission's Policy Sessions in April and
13 September related to electric vehicles, I've been
14 working with the Chairman's office for a way to
15 accept a greater number of viewpoints and
16 perspectives on this important topic.

17 While Policy Sessions allow for a
18 limited number of parties to participate and are
19 time constrained, a Notice of Inquiry will allow for
20 more stakeholder consideration and participation.

21 Illinois Administrative Code 1700.330
22 states that information gathered may or may not form
23 the basis for the initiation of rulemaking or
24 another purpose at a later date. This NOI is not

1 intended to result in Commission action but rather
2 serve as an information-gathering exercise to help
3 the Commission identify issues, potential
4 challenges, and opportunities in EV deployment.

5 I would like to thank my colleagues for
6 their support, and I look forward to working with
7 stakeholders throughout the process.

8 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Are there any
9 objections to approving the Notice of Inquiry?

10 (No response.)

11 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
12 Notice of Inquiry is approved.

13 Item E-3 concerns reconciliation of
14 revenues collected under ComEd's Power Procurement
15 Riders. Are there any objections to approving the
16 Proposed Order commencing the reconciliation
17 proceedings?

18 (No response.)

19 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
20 Order is approved.

21 Item E-4 concerns an ICC investigation
22 against LifeEnergy. Are there any objections to
23 approving the Proposed Order initiating the
24 proceeding?

1 (No response.)

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

4 Item E-5 concerns MidAmerican's Motion
5 to Reopen the Record to Add One Year Extension to
6 its Existing 2014 through 2018 Energy Efficiency
7 Plan. Are there any objections to granting the
8 Motion to Reopen?

9 (No response.)

10 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
11 Motion is granted.

12 Items E-6 through 15 concern
13 Applications for Authority to Install Distributed
14 Generation Facilities. Are there any objections to
15 considering these items together and approving the
16 Proposed Orders?

17 (No response.)

18 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
19 Orders are approved.

20 Item E-16 concerns SFE Energy Illinois'
21 Application to Operate as an Alternative Retail
22 Electric Supplier.

23 Commissioner Oliva has a statement, I
24 believe, she would like to make.

1 COMMISSIONER OLIVA: Yes. This
2 statement relates to Item E-16 as well as item G-4.

3 So I thank the applicant for providing
4 the information requested in the Interim Order
5 issued on August 28, 2018, and for advising on the
6 communications between SFE and the Administrative
7 Law Judge concerning what type of complaints were
8 being requested of them in the application.

9 However, as the Interim Order noted,
10 pursuant to 83 Illinois Administrative Code
11 451.360(c), the Commission may request additional
12 time if other facts and circumstances exist, those
13 in which may extend beyond what an administrative
14 law judge considered and that the Commission later
15 chooses to explore further as the final arbiter and
16 issuer of the certificate.

17 Additionally, in light of the recent
18 amendments to the Alternative Retail Electric
19 Supplier sales and marketing rule and the
20 Commission's commitment to ensuring consumer
21 protections, the nature and number of consumer
22 complaints, informal and formal -- whether or not a
23 Commission entered a final decision or order -- will
24 be reviewed and is a priority.

1 Nonetheless, it's my belief that SFE was
2 acting in good faith at all material times
3 throughout the application process, and after review
4 of the record, including the supplementary
5 information requested by the Interim Order, the
6 Certificate of Service Authority under Section
7 16-115 and 19-110 in each respective docketed matter
8 should be granted.

9 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Are there any
10 objections to approving the Proposed Order approving
11 the Application?

12 (No response.)

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

15 Item E-17 concerns Clennon Electric's
16 Application for Authority to Install, Maintain, and
17 Repair Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. Are
18 there any objections to approving the Proposed Order
19 approving the Application?

20 (No response.)

21 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
22 Order is approved.

23 Item E-18 concerns Elite Energy Group's
24 Application for Authority to Operate as an Agent,

1 Broker, and Consultant. Are there any objections to
2 approving the Proposed Order approving the
3 Application?

4 (No response.)

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

7 Items E-19 and 20 concern consumer
8 complaints against Frontier Utilities Northeast and
9 RPA Energy respectively. Are there any objections
10 to considering these items together and granting the
11 Joint Motions to Dismiss?

12 (No response.)

13 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
14 Joint Motions are granted.

15 Item E-21 concerns Ameren's Petition for
16 Approval to Release a Nonresidential Customer. Are
17 there any objections to approving the Proposed Order
18 approving the Petition?

19 (No response.)

20 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
21 Order is approved.

22 Items E-22 through 53 concern
23 Applications for Authority to Install Energy
24 Efficiency Measures. Are there any objections to

1 considering these items together and approving the
2 Proposed Orders?

3 (No response.)

4 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
5 Orders are approved.

6 Item G-1 concerns a consumer complaint
7 against Peoples Gas. Are there any objections to
8 approving the Proposed Order denying the complaint?

9 (No response.)

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

12 Item G-2 concerns Ameren's 2017 Volume
13 Balancing Adjustment Rider. Are there any
14 objections to approving the Proposed Order approving
15 reconciliation?

16 (No response.)

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

19 Item G-3 concerns Nicor's Petition for
20 Authority to Use Eminent Domain in Grundy and Will
21 counties. Are there any objections to affirming the
22 ALJ's decisions and denying the Petitions for
23 Interlocutory Review?

24 (No response.)

1 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
2 ALJ's decisions are affirmed.

3 Item G-4 concerns SFE Energy's
4 Application for Authority to Operate as an
5 Alternative Gas Supplier. Are there any objections
6 to approving the Proposed Order approving the
7 Application?

8 (No response.)

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

11 Item W-1 concerns Utility Services'
12 proposed rate increase. Are there any objections to
13 approving the Proposed Order approving the rate
14 increase?

15 (No response.)

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

18 Item W-2 concerns Illinois-American
19 Water's Application for Variance from its tariff
20 filing in Illinois Administrative Code to provide
21 service to certain customers in Monroe County. Are
22 there any objections to approving the Proposed Order
23 approving the variance?

24 (No response.)

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

3 Item PR-1 concerns a complaint against
4 Syndeo Networks. Are there any objections to
5 denying the Petition for Rehearing?

6 (No response.)

7 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
8 Petition is denied.

9 Under other matters, Item 01 concerns
10 FERC Docket EL18-178. Are there any objections to
11 approving the Commission's comments?

12 (No response.)

13 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
14 comments are approved.

15 Item 02 concerns FERC Docket ER18-2363.
16 Are there any objections to approving the
17 Commission's Motion to File Comments Out of Time?

18 (No response.)

19 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the
20 Motion and the comments are approved.

21 Judge Teague-Kingsley, do you have any
22 other matters to bring before the Commission this
23 morning?

24 JUDGE TEAGUE-KINGSLEY: No,

1 Mr. Chairman.

2 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Commissioners, do any
3 of you have any other business you'd like to bring
4 before the Commission this morning?

5 (No response.)

6 CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Seeing none and
7 without objection, the meeting is adjourned.

8 Thank you.

9 (Meeting adjourned.)

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