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BEFORE THE  
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION  
PUBLIC UTILITY REGULAR OPEN MEETING  
Wednesday, November 26, 2019  
Chicago, Illinois

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

PRESENT:

- CARRIE ZALEWSKI, Chairwoman
- MARIA BOCANEGRA, Commissioner
- BRIEN J. SHEAHAN, Commissioner (telephonically)
- SADZI M. OLIVA, Commissioner
- D. ETHAN KIMBREL, Commissioner

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1 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hi. I have 10:30. I'm  
2 going to go ahead and get started.

3 Good morning. Are we ready to proceed  
4 in Springfield?

5 CHIEF CLERK: Yes. We are.

6 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Thank you.

7 Under the Open Meetings Act, I call  
8 the November 26th, 2019, Regular Open Meeting to  
9 order. Commissioners Bocanegra, Oliva, and Kimbrel,  
10 are with me in Chicago. We have a quorum.

11 Commissioner Sheahan is seeking to  
12 participate by phone. Commissioner Sheahan, are you  
13 with us?

14 COMMISSIONER SHEAHAN: I am. Thank you.

15 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Thank you.

16 Are there any objections to allowing  
17 Commissioner Sheahan to participate by phone?

18 (No response.)

19 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none,  
20 Commissioner Sheahan is granted permission to  
21 participate.

22 We have no requests to speak from

1 members of the public. However, with us today, we  
2 have Charles Matthews, President and CEO of Peoples  
3 Gas and North Shore Gas Company. Under Item O-1, we  
4 have a report by Mr. Matthews on the status of  
5 compliance with the Order of Docket 14-0496. For  
6 logistical purposes we will start our today's agenda  
7 with that item.

8 Mr. Matthews, please proceed. Thank  
9 you.

10 MR. MATTHEWS: Good morning, Chairman,  
11 Commissioners. It's great to be here to provide our  
12 annual update to the Commission.

13 CHIEF CLERK: I'm sorry. We can't hear him in  
14 Springfield.

15 MR. MATTHEWS: Sorry.

16 Okay. Good morning. This is the  
17 fifth year we've provided this update since WEC  
18 Energy Group acquired Peoples Gas and North Shore Gas  
19 in 2015. And I can't believe it's been that long.  
20 It seems like just yesterday. But I am glad to say  
21 we've made great strides on many fronts since then.  
22 And I'm pleased to say we remain in full compliance

1 with all of the conditions in the Commission's order  
2 authorizing the merger.

3           Before I tell you about what's  
4 happening at Peoples Gas and North Shore Gas, I'd  
5 like to mention a few things at the corporate level.  
6 Earlier this year WEC Energy Group announced a new  
7 methane reduction goal across all of its energy  
8 companies. This initiative will reduce methane  
9 emissions from the company's natural gas distribution  
10 lines by 30 percent by the year 2030 from a 2011  
11 baseline. Peoples Gas will play a critical role in  
12 meeting that target through its System Modernization  
13 Program, which I'll tell you more about in a minute.

14           I also want to mention that Forbes  
15 magazine recently named WEC Energy Group as one of  
16 the nation's best employers for diversity. And I'll  
17 tell you more about our record on diversity here in  
18 Illinois later.

19           Finally, WEC Energy Group was named  
20 among the top 100 corporate citizens by Corporate  
21 Responsibility Magazine. That selection was based on  
22 the company's record on energy and the environment,

1 governance, employee relations, human rights,  
2 financial performance, philanthropy, and community  
3 support.

4 Now, let me tell you about what's  
5 happening here in Illinois. It's been a busy year  
6 for us, and I have a lot to report. After my  
7 remarks, I will be happy to answer any questions you  
8 might have.

9 As I did last year, I'd like to start  
10 by talking about safety. The safety of our  
11 customers, employees, and the public is always our  
12 top priority. And I'm pleased to tell you we are  
13 well on our way to enhancing the safety and  
14 reliability of our infrastructure through our System  
15 Modernization Program.

16 Through SMP we are converting our  
17 system from low to medium pressure. About half of  
18 our system is currently medium pressure, and we're  
19 working to upgrade the remainder. As you know,  
20 medium-pressure systems are safer because they  
21 include individual regulators to reduce pressure at  
22 each meter, external shut-off valves that first

1 responders can access in emergencies, and excess-flow  
2 valves to stop the flow of natural gas in the event  
3 of a leak.

4 We're also replacing outdated cast and  
5 ductile iron gas mains with modern plastic piping.  
6 Earlier this year we removed the oldest section of  
7 gas pipe in our system. It had been installed under  
8 Orleans Street in 1859. That gives you a sense of  
9 the urgency and importance of SMP.

10 Last year we put into service more  
11 than 95 miles of new natural gas main. We also  
12 installed 7,800 service lines and moved more than  
13 16,000 meters from inside to outside to enhance  
14 safety. This year we are on pace to install more  
15 than 90 miles of gas main.

16 In the meantime, we utilize safety  
17 procedures, training, and monitoring technology to  
18 keep the older portions of our delivery system  
19 working safely. That includes slam-shut valves to  
20 protect against overpressurization.

21 As of today, about 28 percent of the  
22 total work planned for SMP has been completed. We're

1 currently working in various neighborhoods throughout  
2 the city. Construction is wrapping up in South  
3 Edgebrook; Stony Island Park; and Morgan Park, west  
4 of the expressway. Meanwhile, construction continues  
5 in several other neighborhoods including Mayfair,  
6 which was the highest ranked community on our most  
7 recent risk assessment.

8 SMP is already making a significant  
9 impact in terms of safety. Since 2010 SMP  
10 improvements have contributed to a 58 percent  
11 decrease in the number of leaks in our delivery  
12 system.

13 As you know, early next year we will  
14 receive the results of an independent engineering  
15 study by Kiefner and Associates on the condition of  
16 our delivery system. I commend the Commission for  
17 its leadership on this initiative. We look forward  
18 to using the Kiefner study to guide the next phase of  
19 SMP.

20 I'd now like to talk a little more  
21 about what we're doing to improve customer service  
22 and enhance our customer experience.

1                   Since I spoke to you last year, we  
2 finished installing automatic reading devices on our  
3 meters at North Shore Gas. The project has  
4 eliminated the need for estimated bills, providing  
5 customers a more timely reporting of their usage.

6                   As you may remember, last year I spoke  
7 about substantial investments in our Customer  
8 Information System. Customers are now seeing the  
9 benefits of those investments, whether they're  
10 interacting with us online or through our call  
11 center.

12                   Earlier this month we launched a  
13 mobile app to make it more convenient for our  
14 customers to manage their accounts. We designed the  
15 app with our customers in mind. In fact, during the  
16 design process we gathered direct input from  
17 customers and employees through user-experience  
18 testing and a pilot program. Additionally, we  
19 continue to utilize social media to communicate with  
20 our customers to push out safety and energy-saving  
21 tips and answer concerns posted on Facebook and  
22 Twitter.



1                   We also continue our highly successful  
2 We Care program in which we follow up with every  
3 customer after service appointments. So far this  
4 year we've spoken directly to more than 60,000  
5 customers, and more than 90 percent of them were  
6 satisfied with the service they received. That  
7 percentage has remained consistent since we started  
8 the program several years ago, and we're very proud  
9 of that record.

10                   To better assist our low-income  
11 customers, we significantly expanded the reach of our  
12 Share the Warmth assistance program last year by  
13 suspending the requirement that customers make a  
14 matching payment to receive a grant. The results  
15 have been dramatic. For the second year in a row,  
16 we've awarded Share the Warmth grants to 14,000  
17 customers, more than double the number awarded in  
18 previous years. For 2020 we've allocated \$3 million  
19 for Share the Warmth.

20                   I also would like to mention energy  
21 efficiency. Since we implemented our energy  
22 efficiency program eight year ago, we've awarded more

1 than \$100 million dollars in incentives to help  
2 customers make energy-saving upgrades to their homes  
3 and businesses. This year alone we're projecting to  
4 award more than \$19 million in incentives.

5 Improvements made through the programs have resulted  
6 in overall savings of over 70 million therms of  
7 natural gas for our customers -- enough to serve  
8 59,000 homes per year.

9           We've also been working with our  
10 policy sector of customers to increase their  
11 participation in our energy efficiency program.  
12 Since 2017, the Chicago Transit Authority has  
13 received \$250,000 in incentives to make upgrades that  
14 reduced usage by more than 100,000 therms. And the  
15 Chicago Public Schools has received more than  
16 \$250,000 in incentives and saved more than 400,000  
17 therms.

18           Now, let me give you a quick snapshot  
19 of our workforce and training initiatives. Peoples  
20 Gas and North Shore Gas continue to be a major source  
21 of employment and economic opportunity. As I've  
22 mentioned in the past, we are in the midst of a large

1 wave of retirements. Over the next three years we  
2 expect 16 percent of our employees will retire.  
3 Combined with our System Modernization Program, these  
4 retirements have created opportunities for a new  
5 generation of workers.

6 Our union employee workforce, for  
7 instance, is about 1,100 today. That compares with  
8 about 900 before we began SMP in 2011. SMP is also  
9 responsible for another 1,000 full-time contractor  
10 jobs.

11 Many of the talented new employees  
12 we've hired in recent years are graduates from our  
13 Utility Workers Military Assistance Program for  
14 veterans. As you know, the program provides  
15 coursework and training at the Dawson Technical  
16 Institute at Kennedy King College to prepare  
17 participants for utility careers. It's made possible  
18 through a close partnership with Gas Workers Local  
19 18007. Since 2012 we've hired more than 430 veterans  
20 who graduated from the program.

21 We've also hired 15 new employees  
22 through the CONSTRUCT Program, a partnership between

1 utilities, labor, and area social service  
2 organizations. And we've hired four recent graduates  
3 from our vocational training partnership with Chicago  
4 Public Schools.

5 Our increased hiring has allowed us to  
6 further diversify our workforce. 75 percent of our  
7 hires in the past two years have been diverse  
8 employees. And our Illinois workforce as a whole is  
9 currently 56 percent diverse. We're proud that our  
10 workforce looks like the communities we serve.

11 But we're equally proud of the  
12 diversity of the suppliers with whom we do business.  
13 In 2018 we spent more than \$125 million on diverse  
14 suppliers for the second year in a row, up from  
15 \$69.8 million in 2016. Overall spending with diverse  
16 suppliers represented more than 21 percent of total  
17 procurement for the first time ever in 2018. This is  
18 a significant milestone for us and indicates our  
19 Supplier Diversity Program has become fully  
20 integrated into our procurement process.

21 82 percent of our diverse spending in  
22 2018 was with local companies. That amounts to more

1 than \$102 million spent on diverse businesses based  
2 right here in Illinois. Along with our System  
3 Modernization Program our supplier diversity  
4 initiatives have become a significant economic engine  
5 for our local economy and the communities we serve.

6 Supplier diversity remains a key  
7 corporate value for us. And I'm very happy to tell  
8 you we're on track to set a new record in 2019.

9 Turning to community outreach and  
10 corporate citizenship, I am very proud of the  
11 contributions our company and employees make to the  
12 communities we serve. Last year our employees  
13 collectively volunteered more than 8,200 hours of  
14 service with our community partners.

15 The volunteer spirit carried forward  
16 into 2019. In April, Peoples Gas set a company  
17 record for volunteers at a single event at our annual  
18 Commitment to Community Day. The group of 200  
19 volunteers spent the day refurbishing the Maria  
20 Shelter for homeless women and children in Englewood.  
21 More recently North shore Gas employees held their  
22 annual home and honor day to rehab housing for

1 veterans and their families in North Chicago.

2 In addition to opening their hearts,  
3 our employees opened their wallets. Last year  
4 Peoples Gas and North Shore Gas employees raised and  
5 donated nearly \$500,000 to charitable causes. That  
6 was in addition to the nearly \$4.8 million that  
7 Peoples Gas and North Shore Gas contributed directly  
8 to our community partners in the areas of the arts,  
9 neighborhood development, education, human services,  
10 health, and environment.

11 So, in summary, we continue to make  
12 tremendous progress at Peoples Gas and North Shore  
13 Gas since the companies were acquired by WEC Energy  
14 Group four years ago. We look forward to continuing  
15 to work with the Commission and all of our  
16 stakeholders in 2020.

17 I thank you for this opportunity to  
18 come once again this year and share what I believe is  
19 great news and news we're proud of.

20 Thank you.

21 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Thank you, Mr. Matthews.

22 We appreciate the update.

1                   Do you -- do any Commissioners have  
2 any questions?

3                   (No response.)

4           CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: No?

5                   Thank you very much. We appreciate  
6 it.

7                   Under our Public Utility Agenda, there  
8 are edits to the October 30th, 2019, Regular Open  
9 Meeting Minutes.

10                   Are there any objections to approving  
11 the Minutes as edited?

12                   (No response.)

13           CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Minutes  
14 are approved.

15                   Under Electric items, Item E-1  
16 concerns Docket 17-0562, which is an application for  
17 certification to install Distributed Generation  
18 Facilities in Illinois. The Order denies the  
19 application, finding that the applicant did not  
20 demonstrate compliance with the requirements despite  
21 the repeated requests of Commission Staff to cure the  
22 deficiencies.

1                   Are there any objections to approving  
2 the Order?

3                   (No response.)

4           CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
5 is approved.

6                   Item E-2 concerns Docket 19-0966,  
7 which is an application for certification to install  
8 Distributed Generation Facilities in Illinois. The  
9 Order grants the application, finding that the  
10 applicant has demonstrated the necessary  
11 requirements.

12                   Are there any objections to approving  
13 the Order?

14                   (No response.)

15           CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
16 is approved.

17                   Item E-3 concerns Docket 18-1478,  
18 which is a complaint against MidAmerican for alleged  
19 overbilling by the City of Marseilles. The Order  
20 finds that MidAmerican was acting within the terms of  
21 the agreement with the City and that the disputed  
22 costs were properly assessed. The Order denies the



1 complaint.

2 Are there any objections to approving  
3 the Order?

4 (No response.)

5 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
6 is approved.

7 Item E-4 concerns Docket 19-0658,  
8 which is a complaint against ComEd as to change of  
9 electric service provider. ComEd has filed a Motion  
10 to Dismiss the complaint. The complainant requests  
11 that the Commission allow the complainant to amend  
12 the complaint.

13 Section 200.140 of the Commission  
14 rules allows the Commission to allow amendments to  
15 the pleadings at any time as just and reasonable.  
16 The Commission finds that it will be just and  
17 reasonable to allow the amendments, and the Motion to  
18 Dismiss shall, thus, be denied at this stage.

19 Are there any objections to allowing  
20 the complainant to amend his complaint and deny the  
21 Motion to Dismiss?

22 (No response.)

1           CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the  
2 complainant is granted permission to amend his  
3 complaint, and the Motion to Dismiss is denied.

4                   Item E-5 concerns Docket 19-0387,  
5 which is ComEd's annual formula rate update and  
6 revenue requirement reconciliation. This docket will  
7 be held for a later disposition.

8                   Item E-6 concerns Docket 19-0436,  
9 which is Ameren's annual formula rate update and  
10 revenue requirement reconciliation. They have two  
11 Commission actions under this item: First, we have  
12 approval of formula rate update and revenue  
13 requirement reconciliation, which we will hold for  
14 later disposition. Second, we have a request for  
15 oral argument.

16                   The AG requests oral argument pursuant  
17 to Section 9-201(c) of the Public Utilities Act,  
18 regarding the AG's exceptions on two issues: First,  
19 the amortization of excess deferred income taxes.  
20 And, second, the treatment of amortization of excess  
21 deferred income taxes with respect to construction  
22 work in progress.

1                   Are there any objections to granting  
2 the Request for Oral Argument?

3                   (No response.)

4                   CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Request  
5 for Oral Argument is granted.

6                   The oral argument will be held on  
7 December 3rd at 1:00 p.m. A due notice of the oral  
8 argument will be issued.

9                   Item E-7 concerns Docket 19-0580,  
10 which is ComEd's annual energy efficiency formula  
11 rate update and revenue requirement reconciliation.  
12 All the parties in this proceeding reached an  
13 agreement regarding all contested issues in the  
14 docket. The Order accepts the stipulated agreement  
15 and approves the 2020 application year net energy  
16 efficiency revenue requirement subject to the  
17 adjustments agreed to by the parties.

18                   Are there any objections to approving  
19 the Order?

20                   (No response.)

21                   CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
22 is approved.

1                   Item E-8 concerns Docket 19-0734,  
2           which is MidAmerican's petition for approval of its  
3           energy efficiency plan. This order approves  
4           MidAmerican's energy efficiency plan and finds the  
5           plan to be in compliance with Section 8-408 of the  
6           Public Utilities Act.

7                   Are there any objections to approving  
8           the Order?

9                   (No response.)

10           CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
11           is approved.

12                   Items E-9 concerns Docket 18-1774,  
13           which is a proceeding initiated by the Commission for  
14           the purpose of collecting responses from ARES in the  
15           ComEd territory, regarding whether and how PJM  
16           interconnection credits will affect the rates paid by  
17           ARES supply customers. Since Commission Staff has  
18           aggregated the information obtained from the ARES and  
19           all matters in the proceeding have been resolved, the  
20           staff has filed a motion to dismiss.

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

1 (No response.)

2 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Motion  
3 is granted.

4 Item E-10 concerns Docket 19-0631,  
5 which is Ameren's request to reconcile revenue under  
6 its Rider CGR, Customer Generation Rebate, and Rider  
7 CGC, or Customer Generation Charge, in the calendar  
8 year of 2018. The Order approves the reconciliation  
9 as set in the Appendix to the Order, finding the  
10 costs during the reconciliation period were prudently  
11 incurred and approves the projections for 2019.

12 Are there any objections to approving  
13 the Order?

14 (No response.)

15 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
16 is approved.

17 Item E-11 concerns Docket 19-0869,  
18 which is Energy Now Solutions' Petition to Cancel its  
19 certificate to operate as an agent, broker, or  
20 consultant. The Order cancels the certificate and  
21 requires that the petitioner file its Part 454  
22 reports from 2014 to 2016.

1                   Are there any objections to approving  
2 the Order?

3                   (No response.)

4                   CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
5 is approved.

6                   Items E-12 through E-23 concern  
7 applications for petitions to install energy  
8 efficiency measures in Illinois. The Orders grant  
9 the certificates, finding that the applicants meet  
10 the requirements.

11                   Are there any objections to  
12 considering these items together and approving the  
13 Orders?

14                   (No response.)

15                   CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Orders  
16 are approved.

17                   Moving on to our Gas items, Item G-1  
18 concerns Docket 18-1733, which is the Consumer Gas's  
19 request to reconcile revenue under the gas adjustment  
20 charges in calendar year 2018. The Order approves  
21 the reconciliation as set in the Appendix to the  
22 Order, finding that the costs during the

1 reconciliation period were prudently incurred.

2 Are there any objections to approving  
3 the Order?

4 (No response.)

5 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
6 is approved.

7 Item G-2 concerns Docket 18-1739,  
8 which is North Shore Gas's request to reconcile  
9 revenue under the gas adjustment charges in calendar  
10 year 2018. The Order approves the reconciliation as  
11 set in the Appendix to the Order, finding that the  
12 costs during the reconciliation period were prudently  
13 incurred.

14 Are there any objections to approving  
15 the Order?

16 (No response.)

17 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
18 is approved.

19 Item G-3 concerns Docket 18-1740,  
20 which is the Peoples Gas's request to reconcile  
21 revenue under the gas adjustment charges in the  
22 calendar year 2018. The Order approves the

1 reconciliation as set in the Appendix to the Order,  
2 finding that the costs during the reconciliation  
3 period were prudently incurred.

4 Are there any objections to approving  
5 the Order?

6 (No response.)

7 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
8 is approved.

9 Items G-4 and G-5 concern Entrust  
10 Energy's requests for proprietary treatment of  
11 information in the petitioner's annual therm and  
12 annual call center reports. The Order grants the  
13 protection, finding that the information is highly  
14 proprietary and confidential.

15 Are there any objections to  
16 considering these items together and approving the  
17 Orders?

18 (No response.)

19 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Orders  
20 are approved.

21 Item G-6 concerns Docket 19-0545,  
22 which is the Illinois Gas Company and IGC Holdings



1 application for approval of a corporate  
2 reorganization and agreements related to the  
3 corporate reorganization. The Order approves the  
4 proposed reorganization and associated agreements and  
5 finds that it complies with the requirements of  
6 Section 7-204 of the Public Utilities Act.

7 Are there any objections to approving  
8 the Order?

9 (No response.)

10 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
11 is approved.

12 Item G-7 concerns Docket 19-0761,  
13 which is MidAmerican's request to reconcile revenue  
14 under the Gas Utility Assessment Rider from  
15 August 2018 to July 2019. The Order approves the  
16 reconciliation as set in the Appendix to the Order,  
17 finding that the costs during the reconciliation  
18 period were prudently incurred.

19 Are there any objections to approving  
20 the Order?

21 (No response.)

22 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order

1 is approved.

2 Item G-8 concerns consolidated Docket  
3 19-0784 and -0785, which is Peoples Gas's and North  
4 Shore Gas's requests to reconcile revenue under the  
5 Rider ICTA, or Invested Capital Tax Adjustment, in  
6 the calendar year 2018. The Order approves the  
7 reconciliation as set in the Appendix to the Order,  
8 finding that the costs during the reconciliation  
9 period were prudently incurred.

10 Are there any objections to approving  
11 the Order?

12 (No response.)

13 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
14 is approved.

15 Item G-9 concerns consolidated Docket  
16 19-0860 and -0861, which is Peoples Gas and North  
17 Shore Gas's request to reconcile revenue under the  
18 Rider PUAC, or Public Utility Assessment Charge, in  
19 the calendar year 2018. The Order approves the  
20 reconciliation as set in the Appendix to the Order,  
21 finding that the costs during the reconciliation  
22 period were prudently incurred.

1                   Are there any objections to approving  
2 the Order?

3                   (No response.)

4           CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
5 is approved.

6                   Item G-10 concerns Docket 19-0885,  
7 which is Consumer Gas's request to enter a lease of  
8 office space in -- with an affiliated interest. The  
9 Order gives Consumer Gas the authority to enter into  
10 the lease agreement.

11                   Are there any objections to approving  
12 the Order?

13                   (No response.)

14           CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
15 is approved.

16                   Item G-11 concerns Docket 19-0996,  
17 which is Ameren's request to waive standard  
18 information requirements to allow the independent  
19 certified public auditors to use the currently  
20 effective Guide for Prospective Financial Information  
21 by the American Institute of Certified Public  
22 Accountants rather than the previous version of the

1 guide. This audit is in anticipation of a revised  
2 tariff schedule for a future rate case. The Order  
3 approves the request.

4 Are there any objections to approving  
5 the Order?

6 (No response.)

7 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
8 is approved.

9 Under Telecommunications items, Item  
10 T-1 concerns Docket 19-0843, which is an application  
11 for a certificate of authority to provide resold  
12 interexchange telecommunications service in Illinois.  
13 The Order grants the certificate, finding that the  
14 applicant meets the requirements.

15 Are there any objections to approving  
16 the Order?

17 (No response.)

18 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
19 is approved.

20 Item T-2 concerns Docket 19-0979,  
21 which is an application for authority to operate as a  
22 wireless reseller of telecommunications services in

1 Illinois. The Order grants the Certificate, finding  
2 that the applicant meets the requirements.

3 Are there any objections to approving  
4 the Order?

5 (No response.)

6 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
7 is approved.

8 Under Water and Sewer items, Item W-1  
9 concerns Docket SRM 19-021, which is the  
10 Illinois-American Water's petition to revise tariffs  
11 to comply with the Commission's Order in Docket  
12 18-1830. The Order suspends the filing so the  
13 Commission can conduct a hearing about the tariff  
14 changes.

15 Are there any objections to suspending  
16 the filing?

17 (No response.)

18 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the filing  
19 is suspended.

20 Item W-2 concerns Docket 19-0273,  
21 which is Illinois-American Water's request to  
22 reconcile revenue under purchased water and purchased

1 sewage treatment surcharges in the calendar year of  
2 2018. The Order approves the reconciliation as set  
3 in the Appendix to the Order, finding that the costs  
4 during the reconciliation period were prudently  
5 incurred.

6 Are there any objections to approving  
7 the Order?

8 (No response.)

9 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
10 is approved.

11 Item W-3 concerns Docket 19-1029,  
12 which is Aqua Illinois' request for Special  
13 Permission to file a revised tariff for the  
14 historical-based sewer consumption charge tariff on  
15 less than 45 days' notice. This will allow Aqua to  
16 mitigate overbilling for customers that were subject  
17 to lead advisory actions on sewer service charges in  
18 the Village of University Park.

19 The filing will allow Aqua to charge  
20 University Park customers who are subject to a lead  
21 advisory based on their actual water usage from  
22 December 2018 to March 2019 or their average measured

1 December 2018 through March 2019 water usage,  
2 whichever is less, rather than just their actual  
3 usage alone.

4 Are there any objections to granting  
5 special permission?

6 (No response.)

7 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the  
8 permission is granted.

9 Under Miscellaneous items, Item M-1  
10 concerns Docket 19-0954, which is a proceeding to  
11 consider approval of the annual update of the  
12 Illinois Statewide Technical Reference Manual for  
13 Energy Efficiency. The Order approves and adopts the  
14 2020 Technical Reference Manual for Energy  
15 Efficiency.

16 Are there any objections to approving  
17 the Order?

18 (No response.)

19 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order  
20 is approved.

21 We have one Petition for Rehearing.  
22 Item PR-1 concerns Docket 18-1641, which is a

1 complaint against ComEd regarding the issue of  
2 overbilling a deceased individual. The  
3 administrative law judge recommends that the  
4 Commission deny the application because the  
5 complainant presented no new evidence or new  
6 arguments to support his request.

7 Are there any objections to denying --

8 JUDGE TEAGUE KINGSLEY: Madam Chairman, I think  
9 you mentioned ComEd, but it's People's Gas.

10 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Yes. You are correct.  
11 Thank you -- thank you for correcting me.

12 So this is Item PR-1, which is Docket  
13 18-1641. It's a complaint against People's Gas  
14 regarding an issue overbilling. So the  
15 administrative law judge recommends the Commission  
16 deny the application.

17 Are there any objections to denying  
18 the Application for Rehearing.

19 (No response.)

20 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the  
21 Application for Rehearing is denied.

22 Under Other Business, we have three



1 items. We already heard from Mr. Matthews' report;  
2 therefore, we will move on to Item O-2. Item O-2  
3 concerns approval of batches, contracts, and  
4 confirmations under the Illinois Adjustable Block  
5 Program.

6 Are there any objections to approving  
7 the procurement administrator's submissions?

8 (No response.)

9 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the  
10 submissions are approved.

11 Item O-3 concerns approval of December  
12 2019's solicitation of bids to sell renewable energy  
13 credits from new utility-scale wind projects to  
14 Ameren, ComEd, and MidAmerican Energy Company. This  
15 Order approves the procurement administrator's  
16 benchmark methodology for selection of winning bids.

17 Are there any objections to approving  
18 the procurement administrator's benchmark  
19 methodology?

20 (No response.)

21 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the  
22 benchmark methodology is approved.

1                   This concludes our Public Utilities  
2 Agenda.

3                   Judge Teague Kingsley, do we have any  
4 other matters?

5                   JUDGE TEAGUE KINGSLEY: Actually, we have  
6 Zero-4 [sic]. It's one more. Sorry. One more item:  
7 Zero-4, I think.

8                   CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: I don't have Zero-4 on  
9 my...

10                   Thank you. Hold on a second. Okay.  
11 My apologies. Thank you.

12                   So Item O-4 is a December 2019  
13 solicitation of bids to sell renewable energy credits  
14 from Low-income Community Solar Pilot projects. A  
15 vote pursuant to Section 16-111.5 of the Public  
16 Utilities Act. An approval of procurement  
17 administrator's benchmark methodology.

18                   Are there any objections to approving  
19 the procurement administrator's benchmark  
20 methodology?

21                   (No response.)

22                   CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the

1 benchmark methodology is approved. Thanks again,  
2 Judge Teague Kingsley.

3 Do any of the Commissioners have any  
4 other business to discuss?

5 (No response.)

6 CHAIRWOMAN ZALEWSKI: I would just like to wish  
7 Christy George, our new Executive Director, a warm  
8 welcome. She started on November 16th. We're very  
9 excited to have her here.

10 And, then, I'd like to wish everyone  
11 else a wonderful Thanksgiving. I'm particularly  
12 thankful to work with staff and colleagues who are  
13 dedicated to the mission of the Agency and serving  
14 the people of the State of Illinois. So I'm  
15 appreciative of that.

16 On behalf of myself and the rest of  
17 the Commissioners, we wish everyone a safe and happy  
18 holiday.

19 With that, the meeting is adjourned.  
20 Thank you.

21 (Whereupon the above  
22 matter was adjourned.)