

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION
UTILITY REGULAR OPEN MEETING
Thursday, May 30, 2024
SPRINGFIELD, IL

Met pursuant to notice at 11:30 a.m. via
Videoconference.

PRESENT :

MR. DOUGLAS P. SCOTT, CHAIRMAN
MICHAEL CARRIGAN, COMMISSIONER
CONRAD REDDICK, COMMISSIONER
STACEY PARADIS, COMMISSIONER
ANN McCABE, COMMISSIONER

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1 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: We'll move now to the
2 Public Utility Agenda.

3 (Whereupon, the Utility
4 Agenda was held.)

5 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: There are edits to the
6 May 2nd, 2024 Public Utility Regular Open Meeting
7 Minutes.

8 Are there any objections to approving
9 the minutes as edited?

10 (No verbal response.)

11 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
12 minutes are approved as edited.

13 Turning to electric items.

14 Item E-1 concerns the report by Staff
15 that assesses ComEd's reliability report And
16 performance for the 2022 calendar year. Staff's
17 report reviews ComEd's performance under the
18 criteria prescribed under Part 411 of the Public
19 Utilities Act. And the order adopts Staff's
20 report.

21 Are there any objections to approving
22 the order?

23 (No verbal response.)

24 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the

1 order is approved.

2 Item E-2 concerns a petition seeking
3 confidential treatment of documents attached to an
4 application for a Certificate of Service Authority
5 to operate as an alternative retail electric
6 supplier. The order denies the petition finding
7 the petitioner failed to establish the documents
8 contain confidential or proprietary information
9 that would be harmful to the petitioner. The order
10 denies the petition.

11 Are there any objections to approving
12 the order?

13 (No verbal response.)

14 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
15 order is approved.

16 Item E-3 concerns an application for
17 a Certificate of Service Authority to operate as a
18 retail electric agent, broker, or consultant. A
19 review of the application finds the applicant has
20 demonstrated an unwillingness to respond to Staff
21 inquiries and an unwillingness to provide complete
22 and accurate information by the deadline. The
23 order thus denies the application.

24 Are there any objections to approving

1 the order?

2 (No verbal response.)

3 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
4 order is approved.

5 Item E-4 concerns an application for
6 a Certificate of Service Authority to operate as a
7 retail electric agent, broker, or consultant. The
8 ALJ recommends granting the certificate finding
9 that the applicant meets the requirements. The
10 order grants the certificate.

11 Are there any objections to approving
12 the order?

13 (No verbal response.)

14 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
15 order is approved.

16 Items E-5 through E-8 concern
17 applications for Certificates of Service Authority
18 to operate as installers of distributed generation
19 facilities. The orders grant the certificates,
20 finding that the applicants meet the requirements.

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

24 (No verbal response.)

1 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
2 orders are approved.

3 Item E-9 concerns and application for
4 certification as an installer of distributed
5 generation facilities. The order denies the
6 application, finding that the applicant does not
7 meet the specified requirements.

8 Are there any objections to approving
9 the order?

10 (No verbal response.)

11 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
12 order is approved.

13 Item E-10 concerns an application for
14 certification to install new utility scale solar
15 projects. The order grants the certificate.

16 Are there any objections to approving
17 the order?

18 (No verbal response.)

19 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
20 order is approved.

21 Item E-11 concerns the Commission's
22 investigation into and development of the Renewable
23 Energy Access Plan or REAP pursuant to
24 Section 8-512 of the Public Utilities Act. This

1 docket was initiated on December 15th, 2022 and a
2 proposed order was served on March 5th, 2024. The
3 proposed order is structured with five sections
4 corresponding to the five strategic elements in the
5 REAP. Each strategic element in the REAP contains
6 findings and recommendations many of which are
7 discussed further in a proposed order. The
8 proposed order adopts the second Red Line to REAP
9 as edited. There are substantive edits to the
10 order.

11 The edits to Strategic Element 1,
12 adopt a REAP working group and process by which
13 stakeholders may submit suggestions to Staff prior
14 to the initial working group meeting. Yet, it's
15 also strike the requirement for Staff to develop an
16 Illinois specific Scope 2, GHG accounting
17 methodology finding that they're already widely
18 accepted greenhouse gas accounting protocols
19 available. The Commission's order does not
20 preclude the Working Group from making suggestions
21 on this topic for inclusion in future iterations of
22 the REAP.

23 Yet, it's to Strategic Element 2,
24 direct Staff to conduct Study 2A related to

1 decarbonization and renewable and clean energy
2 needs. The edits direct Staff to propose a
3 timeline for the completion to Study 2A. The edits
4 declined to direct Staff to conduct a GHG leakage
5 risk study. The Commission finds Staff's concerns
6 with its limited resource persuasive and notes that
7 other state agencies may have more expertise on GHG
8 related issues.

9 The edits also declined to adopt
10 UCS's proposal concerning transmission planning for
11 plant closures. The Commission finds this proposal
12 to be duplicative with the reliability analyzes
13 that RTOs conduct when a resource retires or
14 suspends operations. The edits adopt Ameren's
15 proposed annual meeting requirement between Staff
16 and the utilities. And the edits direct REAP
17 Working Group to track energy efficiency and demand
18 response efforts and to include them as non-wires
19 alternatives in the next REAP. The edits decline
20 to AAU's proposal to include the multi-year
21 integrated grid plans in this REAP. The Commission
22 is not convinced of the necessity or feasibility of
23 including multi-year integrated grid plan
24 considerations into this iteration of REAP.

1 The edits to Strategic Element 3,
2 encourage Staff to provide more granular data with
3 the details displayed in the Figure 16 map to the
4 extent feasible in future iterations of the REAP.
5 Yet, it's declined to adopt Vistra's proposal to
6 change the REAP zones to include its plans, finding
7 Vistra's plants are already accounted for in the
8 current bottom up transmission planning process.
9 The edits encouraged the Working Group to discuss
10 the value of considering proximity to load in the
11 refinement of future REAP zones.

12 The edits direct Staff to address how
13 power system reliability requirements can be met
14 without excess operations of fossil generation and
15 emission at the plants closest to EJ communities.
16 Yet, it's encouraged Staff to utilize existing
17 resources and engage with the Working Group to
18 develop the EJ study. The edits decline to strike
19 the requirement for community outreach in the
20 development of future REAPS. Yet, it's also strike
21 the directives for Staff to one, review and refine
22 its enforcement authority, and two, for Staff to
23 identify and create a resource of state and local
24 laws, rules, and policies. The edits do not

1 preclude the Working Group from discussing these
2 topics.

3 The edits to Strategic Element 4,
4 emphasize the amount of time and work the
5 Commission and Commissioners spend advocating on
6 behalf of Illinois and Public Act 102-0662 at the
7 RTO level. Yet, it's fine this REAP will be a
8 useful tool to guide those ongoing conversations
9 and the Commission's continued advocacy. The edits
10 fine collaboration with ComEd and Ameren on efforts
11 regarding transmission solutions with the RTOs is
12 appropriate and directs the utilities to provide
13 annual reports detailing such efforts with -- to
14 the Commission. The edits also direct Staff to
15 strive to meet quarterly with the RTOs and
16 utilities to assess progress. The edits agree with
17 the joint NGOs that transparency and accountability
18 are important pillars to ensure the goals of Public
19 Act 102-0662 are met and direct Staff to strive to
20 host bi-annual public meetings to discuss progress
21 with RTOs and other interested stakeholders. Yet,
22 it's note that the REAP is an -- it is an iterative
23 process intended to inform each following plan and
24 direct Staff to examine the progress at RTOs

1 compared to the goals of Public Act 102-0662 and
2 recommended new or additional approaches as
3 necessary.

4 The edits to Strategic Element 5,
5 adopt the joint NGO's proposal in part and directs
6 Staff to propose timelines for the completion of
7 the efforts discussed under this strategic element.
8 Yet, it's direct Staff to conduct or support
9 efforts in line with Strategic Element 5
10 recommendations to the extent feasible and subject
11 to the availability of resources.

12 I move the edits, is there a second?
13 Second by Commissioner Reddick.

14 Are there any objections to approving
15 the edits?

16 (No verbal response.)

17 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
18 edits are approved.

19 Are there any objections to approving
20 the order as edited?

21 (No verbal response.)

22 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
23 order is approved as edited.

24 Are there any comments from

1 commissioners before we continue?

2 Commissioner McCabe.

3 COMMISSIONER MCCABE: Thank you.

4 I commend Staff and the parties for
5 several years work on the first Renewable energy
6 Access Plan, or REAP. Each iteration of the plan
7 will inform the next plan. The plan will be a
8 helpful tool in our interactions with the RTOs.
9 The plan states that the ICC can focus immediately
10 on near-term solutions, such as demand response and
11 grid enhancing technologies to enhance reliability
12 and lower costs while advocating for transmission
13 planning reforms that expedite future renewable
14 energy resource development within the state.

15 A few highlights from Strategic
16 Element 4, effective transmission planning and
17 utilizing. In addition to grid enhancing
18 technologies, the REAP should consider non-wires
19 alternatives to transmission network expansion and
20 identify whether non-wire alternatives, usage of
21 existing transmission facilities, and existing
22 rights of ways can be deployed ahead of or in place
23 of new transmission system expansion.

24 As staff noted, the Commission

1 already advocates for interregional planning
2 through a number of forums including OPSI and OMS.
3 In response to a joint OMS OPSI letter, MISO and
4 PJM recently announced they will look for near-term
5 transmission upgrades to enhance power flows
6 between the regions, particularly helpful during
7 extreme weather events. It will explore
8 opportunities to engage in joint transmission
9 analysis and coordinated modeling while using
10 existing planning processes to promote reliability
11 and resiliency through holistic, efficient, and
12 cost effective transmission planning. They plan to
13 finish there informational study early next year.

14 To further progress and meeting CGA
15 goals, under the REAP the Commission plans to host
16 quarterly meetings with both RTOs and hosted
17 biannual public sessions on the RTOs progress to
18 meeting the goals of CGA.

19 We look forward to seeing what comes
20 out of the Working Group discussions.

21 Thank you.

22 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Thank you,
23 Commissioner McCabe.

24 And I know we all want to add our

1 thanks to Commission Staff and also to the
2 Commissioner's advisors for all of the -- all of
3 the work done on this. As well as, to all of the
4 other parties who contributed to this and I think
5 it will be an important tool for us going forward.
6 So thank you for those comments.

7 Item E-12 concerns the reconciliation
8 of revenues collected under Ameren's power
9 procurement riders with actual costs for the
10 12 months beginning on June 1, 2021, and ending
11 May 31st, 2022. The order adopts the
12 reconciliation of costs and revenues that set forth
13 in the appendix to the order.

14 Are there any objections to improving
15 the order?

16 (No verbal response.)

17 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
18 order is approved.

19 Item E-13 concerns a complaint
20 against ComEd regarding billing issues in Peotone,
21 Illinois. The Complainant alleges that ComEd
22 mishandled its residential hourly pricing tariff
23 from December 23rd to December 24th, 2022 by
24 failing to adequately notify the Complainant of the

1 hourly price increase. ComEd filed a Motion to
2 Dismiss the complaint, arguing that the complainant
3 failed to properly state of cause of action. And
4 the order dismisses the complaint.

5 Are there any objections to approving
6 the order?

7 (No verbal response.)

8 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
9 order is approved.

10 Item E-14 concerns a complaint
11 against ComEd alleging ComEd overcharged the
12 complainants for carbon-free resource adjustment
13 charges. The Commission will hold this item for
14 further disposition.

15 Items E-15 and E-16 concern
16 applications for certifications to install,
17 maintain, or repair electric vehicle charging
18 station facilities. The orders grant the
19 certificates.

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

23 (No verbal response.)

24 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the

1 orders are approved.

2 Item E-17 concerns the joint petition
3 between Ameren Illinois and Menard Electric
4 Cooperative seeking approval of an electric
5 supplier customer information release. There was
6 no dispute between parties and the order approves
7 the customer release.

8 Are there any objections to approving
9 the order?

10 (No verbal response.)

11 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
12 order is approved.

13 Items E-18 through E-21 concern
14 requests to cancel Certificates of Authority to
15 operate as energy efficiency installers. The
16 orders cancel the certificates.

17 Are there any objections to
18 considering these items together and approving the
19 orders?

20 (No verbal response.)

21 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
22 orders are approved.

23 Items E-22 through E-29 concern
24 applications for Certifications to Install energy

1 efficiency measures. The orders grant the
2 certificates.

3 Are there any objections to
4 considering these items together and approving the
5 orders.

6 (No verbal response.)

7 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
8 orders are approved.

9 Moving now to gas items.

10 Item G-1 concerns Liberty Utilities
11 requests to reconcile revenues under its gas
12 adjustment charges for the 2022 calendar year. The
13 order approves the reconciliations as set forth in
14 the appendix to the order finding that the costs
15 during the reconciliation period were prudently
16 incurred.

17 Are there any objections to approving
18 the order?

19 (No verbal response.)

20 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
21 order is approved.

22 Item G-2 concerns Nicor's requests to
23 reconcile revenues under its Rider 40. The order
24 approves the reconciliation as set in the appendix

1 to the order finding the cost to be accurate.

2 Are there any objections to approving
3 the order?

4 (No verbal response.)

5 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
6 order is approved.

7 Item G-3 concerns a complaint against
8 Nicor and Bloomingdale, Illinois. Nicor filed a
9 Motion to Dismiss, stating that the complaint was
10 filed beyond the required two-year statute of
11 limitations and that the complainant seeks relief
12 beyond the Commission's jurisdiction. The order
13 grants the motion and dismisses the complaint.

14 Are there any objections to approving
15 the order?

16 (No verbal response.)

17 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
18 order is approved.

19 Item G-4 concerns a complaint against
20 Peoples Gas in Chicago, regarding bill charges from
21 May 2022 to May 2023. The order denies the
22 complaint finding that the company charged the
23 complaint at the proper amount over the disputed
24 period.

1 Are there any objections to approving
2 the order?

3 (No verbal response.)

4 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
5 order is approved.

6 Item G-5 concerns the rehearing in
7 Docket 23-0068 and 23-0069 consolidated, which is
8 Peoples Gas 2023 Rate case.

9 On January 3rd, 2024 the Commission
10 granted rehearing with a limited scope related to
11 the company's System Modernization Program or SMP
12 to determine if 2023 Works In Progress should
13 continue in 2024, and whether and to what extent
14 emergency work is part of SMP. The proposed order
15 grants the company's requests for recovery of
16 emergency safety and reliability or ESR work and
17 2023 Work In Progress. There are substantive edits
18 to the proposed order.

19 First, the edits modify the scope of
20 rehearing to find that the system improvement and
21 public improvement or SI and PI work that PGL
22 included in its ESR portfolio are out of scope for
23 this proceeding. The edits do not find that SI and
24 PI work are true emergency work and instead

1 represent general utility reliability and
2 improvement efforts and responsibilities the
3 company has to the City of Chicago and other third
4 parties. The edits therefore decline to decide on
5 the cost recovery of these categories of SMP in
6 this proceeding.

7 Second, regarding Commission ordered
8 information requirements. The edits find that
9 Peoples met its minimum information requirements as
10 outlined by the Commission when it granted
11 rehearing in this proceeding, however the edits
12 further clarify the need for analysis of
13 information to inform commission decisions.

14 Third, the edits find that the
15 company has failed to demonstrate that the
16 \$82.8 million for Work In Progress or WIP projects
17 submitted in this proceeding should be added to the
18 Company's test year 2024 rate base. The edits find
19 that all projects in this category either started
20 after the Commission's November 16th final order or
21 are potentially being recovered through the
22 Company's 2023 QIP reconciliation. The edits take
23 administrative notice of the Company's 2023 QIP
24 reconciling an initial filing and identify

1 70 projects that are found in both the Company's
2 initial testimony on rehearing and the Company's
3 2023 QIP reconciliation filing from March 2024.
4 The edits find that any future consideration of
5 these costs must clearly delineate between whether
6 and how phases and sub-phases of projects are
7 recovered between WIP and the 2023 QIP
8 Reconciliation.

9 In any future consideration, the
10 Company must provide evidence and analysis
11 sufficient to demonstrate the investments were
12 prudent and reasonable. Thus, the edits declined
13 to provide cost recovery for the Company's WIP
14 projects until it can clearly delineate the
15 requested WIP projects from its 2023 QIP
16 Reconciliation.

17 Fourth, the edits declined to approve
18 PGL's proposed \$28.9 million budget for ESR work.
19 The edits find that SI and PI work do not
20 constitute true emergency work and therefore
21 shouldn't be included in the Company's emergency
22 budget. Further, the company's list of
23 45 quote/unquote short-cycle emergency projects
24 includes work that constitutes preventative and

1 proactive work on its system. Therefore, the
2 Company's categorization of emergency projects is
3 overly broad. The edits further raise concern that
4 the Company based on testimony provided by the City
5 of Chicago is mischaracterizing non-emergency work
6 in the public way as emergency work and not filing
7 correct permits with the City's Office of
8 Underground Coordination.

9 Out of an abundance of caution the
10 edits do adopt the AG's \$28.5 million emergency
11 budget for reactive emergency work to address
12 imminent safety and reliability concerns. This
13 figure is based on the Company's three-year
14 historical average for emergency spending. Upon
15 review of the company's 2023 initial QIP
16 reconciliation filing, the edits identify 18
17 projects that are also in the Company's list of
18 45 short-cycle emergency projects in this
19 proceeding. Thus, the edits instruct the Company
20 to ensure that 2024 emergency work is not included
21 in the Company's 2023 QIP reconciliation.

22 And fifth, the edits increase the
23 revenue requirement on rehearing by \$1.6 million
24 for test year 2024 and increase the Company's 2024

1 rate base by \$28.5 million.

2 I move the edits is there a second?

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4 COMMISSIONER PARADIS: Second.

5 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Second by Commissioner
6 Paradis.

7 Are there any objections to approving
8 the edits?

9 (No verbal response.)

10 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
11 edits are approved.

12 Are there any objections to approving
13 the order as edited?

14 (No verbal response.)

15 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
16 order is approved as edited.

17 Before we continue from
18 Commissioners?

19 Commissioner Paradis.

20 COMMISSIONER PARADIS: Thank you.

21 I join my colleagues today -- I join
22 my colleagues in today's decision to grant an
23 increase to PGLs revenue requirement to ensure that
24 emergency work tied to SMP continues consistent

1 with recent emergency spending over the last few
2 years. With that, I also want to express my
3 disappointment as in the principle rate case last
4 fall. PGL assured this Commission that emergency
5 work was completely separate from SMP, but the most
6 recent filing combined emergency work into SMP.
7 PGL also failed to provide this commission with the
8 disaggregated SMP sub-program information when
9 requested last year, only to provide some of that
10 information in the case being decided today. The
11 final order clearly addresses these concerns and
12 others in detail.

13 SMP is a complex project that has
14 been ongoing for more than a decade. Now that the
15 QIP legislation has sunset, PGL returns to the
16 traditional rate making to support completion of
17 proactive system modernization. I want to
18 emphasize the importance of transparency when it
19 comes to PGL's SMP activities and investments.
20 Currently overbudget and with an ambitious --
21 ambiguously defined scope, SMP is being thoroughly
22 reviewed during the Commission's separate open
23 investigation over the next ten months. It is the
24 responsibility of the ICC to approve costs that are

1 prudent and reasonable. Going forward, I strongly
2 encourage PGL to improve its transparency and
3 candor when providing data, planning, and analysis.

4 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Thank you,
5 Commissioner.

6 I have a few remarks as well.

7 In this proceeding, the burden to
8 justify prudent and reasonable rates rests upon the
9 utility to demonstrate to the Commission the need
10 for any requested increase in revenue requirement.
11 Therefore, the responsibility also rests on the
12 company to provide not just information requested
13 by the Commission or as required by the Act, but
14 also analysis to demonstrate the prudence of
15 proposed investments. Without clear consistent
16 information and analysis, it is virtually
17 impossible for the Commission to clearly understand
18 and justify the investments proposed by the
19 Company. In this proceeding and in the principal
20 docket, Company failed multiple times to provide
21 the Commission with the clear and consistent
22 information needed to sufficiently review proposed
23 spending by the Company. It's my hope that the
24 Commission's decision in this rehearing and in the

1 original proceeding clearly demonstrate to the
2 company what is required for it to present in
3 future rate proceedings.

4 Further, I'd like to address the
5 difference between cost recovery and the Company's
6 requirement to perform critical work as required by
7 local, state, and federal law. The Commission's
8 decision today should in no way prohibit the
9 company from performing necessary emergency work to
10 maintain a safe and reliable system. The Company
11 has demonstrated in both the principle rate case
12 and this rehearing that costs incurred beyond an
13 approved revenue requirement are not barred from
14 future recovery. Rather, the company must continue
15 to perform work as directed by the Commission and
16 legal requirements in between rate cases.

17 It is at the Company's discretion to
18 decide when it needs to file a petition for an
19 increase in revenues to cover any costs that exceed
20 its approved revenue requirement. Thus, while the
21 Commission disallowed a large majority of the costs
22 that the Company requested recovery from -- for in
23 this rehearing, that does not mean the company is
24 barred from ever recovering costs on work that may

1 indeed be necessary for it to perform now.

2 Moving on to telecommunications
3 items.

4 Items T-1 through T-3 concern
5 applications for Certificates of Authority to
6 operate as resellers of telecommunications
7 services. The orders grant the certificates,
8 finding that the applicants meet the requirements.

9 Are there any objections to
10 considering these items together and approving the
11 orders?

12 (No verbal response.)

13 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
14 orders are approved.

15 Moving on to water and sewer items.

16 Item W-1 concerns a tariff filing
17 from Illinois-American Water to initiate halled
18 wastewater treatment service for the City of
19 Granite City. The Commission will hold this item
20 for further disposition.

21 Item W-2 concerns a petition from
22 Illinois-American Water to reconcile revenues under
23 its special purpose COVID-19 Rider, or Rider COV.
24 The order approves the reconciliation as set in the

1 appendix, finding the cost to be accurate.

2 Are there any objections to approving
3 the order?

4 (No verbal response.)

5 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
6 order is approved.

7 Item W-3 concerns Illinois-American
8 Water's proposed rate increase for water and sewer
9 services. The Commission has not concluded its
10 investigation in this matter and the order
11 re-suspends the proposed rate increase for a
12 further period of six months.

13 Are there any objections to approving
14 the order?

15 (No verbal response.)

16 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
17 order is approved.

18 Moving on to other business.

19 Items O-1 and O-2 concern approval of
20 Batches, Contracts, and Confirmations under the
21 Illinois Adjustable Block Program and the Illinois
22 Solar For All Program.

23 Are there any objections to
24 considering these items together and to approving

1 the program administrator submissions?

2 (No verbal response.)

3 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Hearing none, the
4 submissions are approved.

5 This concludes our agenda.

6 Judge Teague Kingsley, do we have any
7 other matters to come before the Commission today?

8 JUDGE TEAGUE KINGSLEY: No,
9 Mr. Chairman.

10 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: And do the
11 Commissioners have other business to discuss?

12 Let me call first on Commissioner
13 McCabe.

14 COMMISSIONER MCCABE: I want to welcome
15 our summer legal intern, John Cooper. John is a
16 second-year law student at University of Chicago.
17 He has a BA in environmental science and public
18 policy from Harvard. Prior to going to law school,
19 he was a legal analyst with a firm in New York for
20 two years. And while an undergrad, he also tutored
21 in economics.

22 So welcome, John.

23 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Absolutely.

24 Welcome, John.

1 Commissioner Paradis.

2 COMMISSIONER PARADIS: Thank you.

3 I also want to do an introduction.

4 Collin O'Connor is a new policy intern for us this
5 summer. He's a recent graduate from Loyola
6 University Chicago with a bachelor's in
7 environmental policy and a minor in sociology.
8 Grew up in Louisville, Kentucky close to the Ohio
9 River and developed a deep love for nature and
10 outdoor activities including fishing and hiking,
11 which we have to warn him will be of great interest
12 to Commissioner Carrigan. Collin lives in Chicago
13 but eventually plans to move to Washington D.C. to
14 pursue a master's in foreign policy with a focus on
15 international conflict and energy policy. He would
16 like to eventually become a Foreign Service Officer
17 for the State Department and maybe even a
18 US Ambassador to a foreign country or the United
19 Nations. He's happy to be part of the team and
20 here at the ICC and we're excited to have him.

21 Welcome.

22 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Thank you,
23 Commissioner Paradis.

24 Let me just check one time,

1 Mr. Reynolds ever appear?

2 (No verbal response.)

3 CHAIRMAN SCOTT: Okay. Very good.

4 Hearing no other comments and without
5 objection then, this meeting is adjourned.

6 Thank you.

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10 (Whereupon, the proceedings
11 concluded at 11:59 a.m.)

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