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## ICC Announces Jeanine Robinson as Director of Diversity and Community Affairs

Chicago, IL - The Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) today announced Jeanine Robinson as its new Director of Diversity and Community Affairs.

"Encouraging and assisting Illinois utilities, energy suppliers and Class 1 railroads to improve their supplier diversity is a priority for the ICC. I am very pleased Jeanine Robinson is filling the position as Director of Diversity and Community Affairs. She comes to the ICC with vast experience in both the public and private sectors. I'm confident she will do a fantastic job," said ICC Chairman Carrie Zalewski.

Robinson comes to the ICC with a background rich in project management, organizing events, developing relationships and maintaining communication with companies and organizations, facilitating meetings, and managing staff.

Robinson previously worked for a variety of companies involved with property management, financial services, insurance and investment management. She earned a Master of Business Administration from the Keller Graduate School of Management and a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Chicago State University.

The Office of Diversity and Community Affairs assists Illinois communities, local governments, and businesses in understanding energy/ telecommunications and diversity procurement through outreach and awareness activities. In addition, the office is responsible for overseeing the ICC's efforts to increase supplier diversity in Illinois utilities, railroads and other energy suppliers, including the analysis of spending on procurement from women-owned, minority-owned, veteran-owned and small businesses under state law. Other functions of the office include: developing and maintaining internal and external diversity and inclusion initiatives, and leading the efforts to partner with utilities, consumer advocates, and other stakeholders in consumer and community outreach activities.

"A proactive supplier diversity effort is good for the economy and benefits everyone. I appreciate the opportunity given to me by the Commission and I look forward to working in a collaborative manner with businesses, communities, consumer advocates and others to continue to grow supplier diversity successes and achieve new goals," said Robinson.

If you are interested in learning more about the ICC's Office of Diversity and Community Affairs or Annual Supplier Diversity Reports visit the ICC website here.

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## About the Illinois Commerce Commission

The Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) is a quasi-judicial body made up of five Commissioners. Through its Public Utility Program, the Commission oversees the provision of adequate, reliable, efficient and safe utility services at the least possible cost to Illinois citizens served by electric, natural gas, telecommunications, water and sewer public utility companies. Through its Transportation Regulatory Program, the Commission oversees public safety and consumer protection programs with regard to intrastate commercial motor carriers of general freight, household goods movers, relocation towers, safety towers, personal property warehouses and repossession agencies. The Commission's Rail Safety Program also inspects and regulates the general safety of railroad tracks, facilities and equipment in the state.

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