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ICC to Host Summer Preparedness Policy Session

CHICAGO – The Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) will host a Summer Preparedness policy session from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM on Tuesday, May 9, 2017.

During the session, electric utilities and regional transmission organizations (RTOs) serving Illinois will discuss how to prepare to meet the highest electricity demands of the year this summer.

“As the technology and regulatory framework affecting these companies continue to evolve, the strategy for serving customer demand continues to develop as well,” said Commissioner John Rosales, who organized the session. “This is an opportunity to see, first-hand, the planning and logistical coordination between RTOs and utilities to meet increased customer demand. We look forward to a thorough review of the procedures and coordination necessary to overcome potential weather and distribution system challenges -- should these challenges occur at any point during the hottest months of the year.”

The policy session will feature presentations from Commonwealth Edison (ComEd), which provides electric service to approximately 3.8 million customers across Northern Illinois; MidAmerican, providing service to 85,000 customers in Northwestern Illinois, and Ameren Illinois, which provides electric service to approximately 1.2 million customers in Central and Southern Illinois. Each presenter will compare seasonal issues and strategies to meet the summer demand.

Additionally, presenters from RTOs PJM and Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO), the electric power transmission system operators which coordinate, control and monitor the multi-state electric grids in Illinois, will discuss opportunities and challenges in managing electric transmission during the high demand summer months.

The policy session will take place in the Main Hearing Room of the ICC’s Chicago Office located at 160 N. LaSalle Street, Suite C-800, Chicago, Illinois 60601. To view the full agenda for the session, click [here](#). Click [here](#) for live audio access of the policy session via the ICC website.

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