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To: @MusselmanOost, Julie
Cc: Maggie Delia; Michael Delia
Subject: Re: DEADLINE TOMORROW! Public Comment on Illinois Power Agency's Draft 5-Year Plan
Date: Saturday, September 15, 2012 7:43:18 AM

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On Sep 15, 2012, at 8:35 AM, Michael Delia <mikdelia@biaero.com> wrote:

Iberdrola's argument assumes the positive benefit of wind energy and argues for its institution. In Rhode Island, PUC docket 4111 proved to be so 'economically unreasonable' that the PUC unanimously turned down the long term, 20 year PPA; which was scheduled to cost the ratepayers \$400 million dollars in excess energy costs over 20 years, while shutting down no fossil fuel plants, moving coal to the top of the necessary standby power plants and leaving the state with turbine maintenance and 6 permanent jobs from a total investment and energy cost of \$800 million dollars.

The science is bad. It goes not reduce ultimate greenhouse emissions. Coal fired plants stay on line as intermittent backup. The economics are bad. The ratepayers pay charges as much as 5 times the going rate locked in. The business is bad. The taxpayers are subsidizing big hedge fund money on otherwise non fundable, unprofitable business schemes.

Say no! Fund a different solution to your problem.

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On Sep 14, 2012, at 9:41 PM, Maggie Delia <maggie@biaero.com> wrote:

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From: Cindy Ihrke <energizeillinois@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, 14 Sep 2012 14:16:53 -0500
To: Cindy Ihrke <energizeillinois@gmail.com>
Subject: DEADLINE TOMORROW! Public Comment on Illinois Power Agency's Draft 5-Year Plan

Sorry for any duplication but THIS IS SOOOO IMPORTANT!!! Please read below for a good explanation why. (Thanks Carolyn!) Even if you are from out of state please consider commenting on wind is not sensible. Please share this information with others that will comment. Thanks!

Cindy

You have gotten notices from Cindy before but I just wanted to alert you all that the deadline for comments is tomorrow at midnight! See below for IPA's memo on how to comment. The State is legally obligated to consider your comments. You can file a "blunt force" comment against the Renewable Portfolio Standard and subsidies for wind or you can be more specific. The last few years there have been virtually NO comments from wind victims or energy consumers so any comments **against** wind will present a different picture than what the IPA sees right now. Right now Illinois law mandates wind or RECs, but a big issue is whether the State should enter into long term contracts. The wind companies take the position that long term contracts are better because that helps them get financing because investors see that Illinois is on the hook for this overpriced energy for years. Of course that's better for the wind companies, not so good for consumers and businesses in Illinois: The latest ICC order lists dozens of comments from "the public," including this one from the Illinois Wind Energy Association:

15. IWEA Position

In response to Iberdrola's compromise offer, IWEA concurs with Iberdrola's characterization of the workshop process under the Plan approved in Docket No. 09-0373. IWEA generally supports the proposal that workshops be held after the conclusion of this proceeding to develop a better long-term renewable energy contract. IWEA also agrees with the proposed structure and timeline for the workshops. IWEA explains that many of its members rely on the ability to procure long-term contracts for the purpose of securing financing for the development of future projects and the general sustainability of their business. Therefore, any effort to further development of a viable long-term contract is very important to IWEA members. IWEA, however, does not support the procurement of five-year RECs. IWEA believes that it is misplaced to 10-0563 80 continue to place emphasis on shorter term, unbundled renewable products. Rather, IWEA continues, the central focus of renewable procurement should be on long-term products and advancement of the workshop process is a positive step in the right direction. According to IWEA, the IPA should be focused on long-term unbundled renewable energy contracts, rather than one-year or mid-term products. IWEA avers that only long-term contracts will facilitate the development and financing of wind energy projects for Illinois.

(http://www2.illinois.gov/ipa/Pages/Prior_Approved_Plans.aspx, p. 79)

Big Wind wants to get the State's consumers and businesses on the hook for long-term contracts because that will force the State (and indirectly the feds) to support wind energy for the duration of the contracts, which last up to 20 years. As it is now, if the Governor or legislature cancelled the RPS, wind would have to compete with traditional forms of energy on a level playing field. And they can't. Not even with federal tax credits. This is what we are fighting.

Comments can be submitted by email as follows:

Comments to the Draft Plan can be submitted to the IPA in care of Julie Musselman Oost at
JOost@KelleyDrye.com. Comments will then be formatted for posting to the IPA's website at

<http://www.illinois.gov/ipa>.

When you draft your comment, please be aware that they are public comments and they will be posted on the IPA's website with name and affiliation listed. See here for the draft plan itself for those who want to read it: <http://www2.illinois.gov/ipa/documents/2013-Procurement-Plan-PUBLIC-COMMENT-8-15-11-corrected-figure-captions.pdf>.

Please copy me on your comment. Don't be shy. Wind is currently mandated and this Draft Plan is about how to implement the mandate. HOWEVER, this is an opportunity to ask the State to question the mandate and limit its negative impacts. So please submit comments that (1) long-term commitments will hurt consumers, damage the State's overall economy by imposing higher energy costs than are necessary, and add (2) the wind companies have no right to ask for long-term commitments when they are damaging your quality of life, your property value, your business value (if applicable), our economy, killing our birds, killing our bats, ETC. Our IWW comment will focus on protection of consumers and the IL economy as these are difficult, uncertain times and the State should remain flexible to take advantage of opportunities to reduce costs and achieve greater reductions in carbon emissions using other technologies. And demand proof of benefits. I'm still writing it but that's the gist of it. There are also opportunities for in person public comment at hearings next week (see purple highlights). If any of you are up for trip to Springfield to do this, please let me know. I'm trying to make room in my schedule. Any opposition gives the State a better basis for holding the line as much as possible so I hope you will submit a comment, even a short one, and/or go to one of the hearings. Thank you.

Carolyn

PS Please forward this to interested members of your groups. Thanks.

IPA

ILLINOIS POWER AGENCY Pat Quinn, Governor Arlene A. Juracek, Acting Director

August 15, 2012

TO: Illinois Commerce Commission

Ameren Illinois Utilities

Commonwealth Edison Company

Interested Parties

FROM: Arlene A. Juracek, Acting Director

RE: 2013 Draft Procurement Plan

In accordance with Section 16-111.5(d)(2) of the Public Utilities Act, the Illinois Power Agency

1 220 ILCS 5/16-111.5(d)(2)

2 220 ILCS 5/16-111.5(d)(4)

("IPA") hereby presents its Draft Electricity Procurement Plan for the period June 2013 through May 2018 ("Draft Plan"). The Draft Plan sets forth a procurement approach to secure sufficient electricity commodity and associated transmission services, plus any required demand response, energy efficiency and renewable energy resources, to meet the supply needs of eligible retail customers served by Ameren and Commonwealth Edison. The Draft Plan is designed "to ensure adequate, reliable, affordable, efficient, and environmentally sustainable electric service at the lowest total cost over time...".²

Section 16-111.5(d) sets forth the process for commenting on the Draft Plan. Statutory deadlines include the following:

September 14, 2012: Affected utilities and other interested parties are given thirty days following the date of the posting to provide comment to the IPA on the Draft Procurement Plan. Comments are required to be "specific, supported by data or other detailed analyses, and if objecting to all or a portion of the procurement plan, accompanied by specific alternative wording or proposals." 220 ILCS 5/16-111.5(d)(2) [*emphasis added*].

September 28, 2012: The IPA has fourteen days following the end of the 30-day review period to revise the Draft Procurement Plan, as necessary, based on the comments and to file the final Plan with the Commission for posting on its website.

October 3, 2012: Following the submission of this Plan, within five days, any person objecting to the Plan may file an objection with the Illinois Commerce Commission ("ICC" or "Commission").

October 17, 2012: The Commission, within fourteen days, must determine whether a hearing is necessary.

December 27, 2012: Deadline for the Commission to enter its order confirming or modifying the Procurement Plan. Page 2 of 2 160 North LaSalle Street, Suite C-504, Chicago, Illinois 60601

While the above dates are the only statutorily-mandated deadlines, upon filing of the Final Procurement Plan, the Commission may determine the need for an additional comment or briefing period in addition to, or in lieu of, hearings.

In addition to the dates above, the IPA will hold two public hearings to discuss this year's Procurement Plan, as follows:

September 17, 2012: 9am-12pm at the Illinois Commerce Commission's Chicago Offices at 160 North LaSalle Street, 8th Floor Main Hearing Room, with audio hook-up at the ICC's Offices in Springfield at 527 East Capital Avenue, Hearing Room B or C (to be determined). Public comments will be taken only from participants in the Chicago location.

September 20, 2012: 9am-12pm at the Illinois Commerce Commission's Offices in Springfield at 527 East Capital Avenue, Main Hearing Room, with audio hook-up at the ICC's Offices in Chicago in the Main Hearing Room. Public comments will only be taken from participants in the Springfield location.

Please note that the public hearings may be adjourned prior to 12pm if there are no public comments remaining. Parties unable to attend the public

hearings may submit written comments as noted below.

The IPA looks forward to the parties' comments and suggestions, and respectfully asks parties to make any suggested changes to the Draft Plan in redline format to expedite the review process and aide in the proper implementation of a Commission Order with respect to this Plan.

Comments to the Draft Plan can be submitted to the IPA in care of Julie Musselman Oost at JOost@KelleyDrye.com. Comments will then be formatted for posting to the IPA's website at <http://www.illinois.gov/ipa>.

From: Carolyn Gerwin [<mailto:carolyngerwin@mchsi.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 4:52 PM
Subject: FW: [Say no to wind farms] We need LOTS of comments here...

Illinois Power Agency will take public comments about Illinois' 5-year plan for power until Saturday.

http://www2.illinois.gov/ipa/Pages/Feedback_Form.aspx

<http://www.facebook.com/QAQHz_hU5/www2.illinois.gov/ipa/Pages/Feedback_Form.aspx> . Please comment!

From: Cindy Ihrke [<mailto:notification+kr4mnegnxesn@facebookmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 3:54 PM
To: Say no to wind farms
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Cindy Ihrke posted in Say no to wind farms <http://www.facebook.com/n/?groups%2F219635918056442%2F&permalink%2F469116359775062%2F&mid=6b9a210G5af3721df57eG12d5fafG96&bcode=dif1faGc_1.1347396834.AaRxwefqQyDmy0KM&n_m=carolyngerwin%40mchsi.com>

Cindy Ihrke <http://www.facebook.com/n/?profile.php&id=1016166760&mid=6b9a210G5af3721df57eG12d5fafG96&bcode=dif1faGc_1.1347396834.AaRxwefqQyDmy0KM&n_m=carolyngerwin%40mchsi.com> 3:53pm Sep 11
We need LOTS of comments here http://www2.illinois.gov/ipa/Pages/Feedback_Form.aspx <http://www.facebook.com/QAQHz_hU5/www2.illinois.gov/ipa/Pages/Feedback_Form.aspx> this is for the Illinois Power Agency public comments ENDING THIS SATURDAY 9-15-12!!!! about the next five year's power purchase plan which will be submitted to the ICC for approval this fall. These contracts will affect what you pay for electricity!

The public comment period is August 15-September 15.

On September 28 their plan will be filed with the ICC.

Please mark your calendars -There will be TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS- One is on September 17 in Chicago
One is on September 20 in Springfield.

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<http://www.facebook.com/HAQGITwP8AQHYGDmJnAJQY9K9lafSTQRGUYNXVcMcvL5MQw/www2.illinois.gov/ipa/Pages/Feedback_Form.aspx>

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The Illinois Power Agency exists to serve the people of Illinois by overseeing the electricity plan...

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