

**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** The Commission

**FROM:** John D. Albers, Administrative Law Judge  
J. Stephen Yoder, Administrative Law Judge

**DATE:** January 21, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois

Petition for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, pursuant to Section 8-406.1 of the Illinois Public Utilities Act, and an Order pursuant to Section 8-503 of the Public Utilities Act, to Construct, Operate and Maintain a New High Voltage Electric Service Line and Related Facilities in the Counties of Adams, Brown, Cass, Champaign, Christian, Clark, Coles, Edgar, Fulton, Macon, Montgomery, Morgan, Moultrie, Pike, Sangamon, Schuyler, Scott and Shelby, Illinois.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Enter the attached First Order on Rehearing denying the requested relief.

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On November 7, 2012, Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois ("ATXI") filed a petition under Section 8-406.1 of the Public Utilities Act ("Act") seeking authorization to construct, operate, and maintain a new 375-mile long 345-kilovolt electric transmission line running generally from the Mississippi River near Quincy, Illinois to the Indiana border, just south of Terre Haute, Indiana. On August 20, 2013, the Commission entered an Order granting much of what ATXI had requested. On September 5, 2013, the Commission received the first of seven applications for rehearing pursuant to Section 200.880 of 83 Illinois Administrative Code 200, "Rules of Practice." Andrew and Stacy Robinette of Morgan County filed this application for rehearing pertaining to a one-half mile portion of a transmission line segment approved in the August 20, 2013 Order. This segment is between Meredosia and Pawnee, Illinois. The Commission granted the Robinettes' application for rehearing on September 18, 2013.

Following an evidentiary hearing on December 9, 2013, a Proposed First Order on Rehearing denying the requested relief was served on the parties. Only Staff filed a Brief on Exceptions, which corrected an error in the description of the Robinettes' property. The deadline for Commission action on the Robinettes' rehearing is February 15, 2014.

Pursuant to Section 2-107 of the Act, the Commission must accept from Illinois residents' comments on matters before the Commission through its website and toll-free telephone number. The Commission does not appear to have received any comments regarding the Robinettes' concerns.