BEFORE THE

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

BENCH MEETING

(PUBLIC UTILITIES)

Springfield, Illinois

Wednesday, February 25, 2015

Met, pursuant to notice, at 10:30 a.m. at
527 East Capitol Avenue, Springfield, Illinois.

PRESENT:

MR. BRIEN J. SHEAHAN, Chairman

MS. ANN McCABE, Commissioner (by video)

MR. MIGUEL DEL VALLE, Commissioner (by video)

MS. SHERINA E. MAYE, Commissioner (by video)

MIDWEST LITIGATION SERVICES, by
Angela C. Turner, Reporter

CSR #084-004122
CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, I will call our February 25, 2015, Bench Session of the Illinois Commerce Commission to order.

Commissioners McCabe, del Valle, and Maye are present in Chicago, and I am present in Springfield. We have a quorum.

We have no public comments.

(The Transportation portion of the proceedings was held at this time and is contained in a separate transcript.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Moving on to our Public Utility Agenda. We have some corrections to the minutes of January 28th. I believe everyone has had a chance to review those.

Are there any objections to approving the changes to the minutes of January 28th?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the minutes are amended.

Is there any objection to the approval of the minutes, as amended, of January 28th?
CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the minutes are approved 4 to 0.

Moving on to our Electric Agenda. Items E-1 and E-2 involve minor corrections and revisions to filed tariffs.

Are there any objections to not suspending the filings in E-1 and E-2?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the filings are not suspended.

Items E-3 through E-5 are proposed Orders initiating proceedings or commencing reconciliation proceedings.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Orders?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, E-3, 4, and 5 are approved.

Item E-6 is a Motion to Stay and Dismiss approval of a proposed Federal Stimulus Project.

Is there any objection to granting the Motion to Dismiss?

(No response.)
CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the motion is granted.

Items E-7 through E-13 are Orders granting or canceling various licenses and certificates.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Orders?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Orders are approved.

Item E-14 grants an agreed use of eminent domain by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Is there any objection to approving the Order?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Moving on to our Gas Agenda. Items G-1 and 2 involve modifications to Nicor and Ameren's tariffs.

Are there any objections to not suspending the filings?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the filings are not suspended.
Item G-3 involves Ameren's filing to increase gas delivery rates.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed suspension Order?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.


Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

G-5, we're going to postpone consideration of G-5 to a future meeting.

G-6 we are also going to postpone for consideration at a future meeting.

Moving on to our Telecommunications Agenda.

T-1 is an Order adopting rules for approval of negotiated agreements between telecommunications carriers.

Are there any objections to approving the
Order?  
(No response.)  
CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.  
T-2 through 4 are Orders canceling various certificates of authority.  
Are there any objections to approving the proposed Orders?  
(No response.)  
CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Orders are approved.  
T5 through 8 are various requests to protect proprietary information in annual reports.  
Are there any objections to approving the proposed Orders?  
(No response.)  
CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, Items T-5, 6, 7, and 8 are approved.  
Item T-9 concerns the approval of an interconnection agreement between Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company and CenturyLink Communications.  
Is there any objection to approving the proposed Order?
CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Moving on to our Water and Sewer Agenda. W-1 involves a request for special permission to file tariff sheets on less than 45 days' notice to implement a purchased water surcharge.

Is there any objection to granting the special permission?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved 4 to 0.

We have one Petition for Rehearing, PR-1.

It's a Request for Rehearing involving an Application for a designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

Is there a motion to grant the Application for Rehearing?

COMMISSIONER McCABE: So moved.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Is there a second?

COMMISSIONER MAYE: Second.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Any discussion?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: All those in favor of
approving the Application for Rehearing say aye.

(Chorus of ayes.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Those opposed say no.

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Application for Rehearing is granted 4 to 0.

In Other Business, we have three items of other business. Let's take the first item -- the last item first. That is our 2015 Commission calendar.

Are there any objections to the proposed revisions?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the revisions are adopted.

Our consideration of FERC Docket Number ER15-943, 46, and 48 have been withdrawn from today's agenda.

The remaining item of other business concerns pending litigation. So we'll go into closed session to address it.

Let's have a vote to go into closed session.

Let's have a motion to go into closed session.

COMMISSIONER McCABE: So moved.
CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Is there second?

COMMISSIONER MAYE: Second.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: All those in favor say aye.

(Chorus of ayes.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Motion carries 4 to 0.

So we'll go into closed session and we'll clear the room.

(At this point, pages 10 - 17 of the proceedings are contained in a separate closed transcript.)
CONTINUATION OF PROCEEDINGS

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: So we're back in open session.

COMMISSIONER MAYE: I believe we're ready in Chicago.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Thank you.

In closed session, the Commission discussed FERC Docket ER15-918, which concerns a request to allow generation resource owners to withhold generation units from MISO's 2015 and '16 planning resource auction.

Is there a motion to approve our comments and submit our comments?

COMMISSIONER McCABE: So moved.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Is there a second?

COMMISSIONER MAYE: Second.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: All those in favor say aye.

(Chorus of ayes.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Opposed say no.

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Motion carries.

So those comments will be submitted. Thank you.
Judge Wallace, do we have any other matters to come before us today?

JUDGE WALLACE: No, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Commissioners, do you have anything else?

COMMISSIONER MAYE: I do have a comment, Mr. Chairman.

I just wanted to take a quick minute to acknowledge Suzanne Stelmasek since this will be her last hearing with us. She's been helpful to my office, particularly, over the last year and a half that she's been here. And I just wanted to tell her thank you.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Thank you. We all second that as well. Thank you.

Okay. We stand adjourned. Thank you very much.

MEETING ADJOURNED.
CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

I, Angela C. Turner, a Certified Shorthand Reporter within and for the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the meeting aforementioned was held on the time and in the place previously described.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

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