BEFORE THE

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

REGULAR OPEN MEETING

PUBLIC UTILITY

Wednesday, March 22, 2017

Chicago, Illinois

Met, pursuant to notice, at 10:30 A.M.,
at 160 North La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois.

PRESENT:

BRIEN J. SHEAHAN, Chairman

SADZI MARTHA OLIVA, Acting Commissioner

SHERINA E. MAYE EDWARDS, Commissioner

MIGUEL DEL VALLE, Commissioner

JOHN R. ROSALES, Commissioner

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PATRICIA WESLEY
CSR NO. 084-002170
CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Good morning. Are we ready to proceed in Springfield?

CHIEF CLERK: Yes, we are.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, I call the March 22, 2017 Regular Open Meeting to order.

Commissioners del Valle, Edwards, and Rosales, and Acting Commissioner Oliva are with us in Chicago. We have a quorum.

We have no requests to speak and will, therefore, move on to our Public Utilities Agenda.

There are edits to the Minutes of our March 1, 2017 Regular Opening Meeting.

Are there any objections to approving the Minutes as edited?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the Minutes are approved.

Item E-1 concerns a consumer complaint against Ameren.

Are there any objections to approving the Order dismissing the proceedings?
Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Items E-2 and 3 concerns Joint Petitions for Approval of Residential Customer Releases.

Are there any objections to considering these items together and approving the proposed Orders granting the petitions?

Hearing none, the Orders are approved.

Item E-4 concerns USA Group's Petition for Withdrawal of ABC's License Certificate and issuance of an ABC Certificate of Service Authority.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order granting the petition?

Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item E-5 concerns XOOM Energy's Motion for Confidential Treatment of Certain Information.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order granting the petition?

(No response.)
Hearing none, the petition is granted.

Item E-6 concerns SFE Energy's Application for a Certificate of Service Authority.

Are there any objections to granting the Motion to Withdraw?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the motion is granted.

Item E-7 concerns Inspire Energy's Application for a Certificate of Service Authority.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order granting the Certificate?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item G-1 concerns West Shore Pipeline's Petition for Use of Eminent Domain.

Are there any objections to granting the Motion to Withdraw the Petition?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the motion is granted.

Items G-2 and 3 concern Petitions for Confidential Treatment of Certain Information.

Are there any objections to
considering these items together and approving the proposed Orders granting the petitions?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the Orders are approved.

Moving on to our Telecommunications Agenda, Item T-1 concerns Illinois Electric Cooperative's Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier for the purpose of receiving Federal Universal Service Support.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order granting the application?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item T-2 concerns an Amendment to Part 790 Interconnection with the Illinois Administrative Code.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order adopting the rules?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item T-3 concerns a consumer complaint against AT&T.
Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order dismissing the proceedings?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Items T-4 and 5 concern Petitions for Confidential Treatment of Certain Information. There is a scrivener's error on the agenda. T-5 relates to the 2016 Report just for the sake of clarity.

Are there any objections to considering these items together and approving the proposed Orders granting the petitions?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the Orders are approved.

Item T-6 concerns FSH Communications' Petition to Withdraw a Certificate.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order canceling the certificate?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the Order is approved.

The Petition for Rehearing of Item PR-1 concerns Commonwealth Edison's Annual
Formula Rate Update.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order on Rehearing?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item PR-2 concerns Nicor Energy's Efficiency Plan.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order on Rehearing?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Under Other Business, we have four items. The first concerns the Commission's comments to the PJM Consolidated Transmission Owners Agreement Committee.

Are there any questions regarding the comments?

(No response.)

Are there any objections to approving the comments?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the comments are
Second item concerns the Commission's comments to MISO concerning Capacity Transfer Rights.

Are there any questions?

(No response.)

Are there any objections to approving the comments?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the comments are approved.

The third item on our agenda concerns an ICC Resolution in support of "Fix-a-Leak" Week as part of the EPA's campaign to reduce wastewater.

Are there any objections to approving the resolution?

(No response.)

Hearing none, the resolution is adopted.

The fourth item concerns a Resolution pertaining to the Grid Modernization Study.

Today the Illinois Commerce Commission
is launching in consideration of the utility-of-the-future called "NextGrid." The approximately 18-month study will be a consumer focus effort to study ways to leverage the state's restructured energy market investment in smart grid technology and significant expansion of renewable energy and energy efficiency resulting from the recently passed Future Energy Jobs Act.

The ICC is committed to fostering collaboration and inclusion among stakeholders to address many issues crucial to the development of the utility-of-the-future model that will benefit all customers and communities throughout Illinois.

Historically, the Illinois Commerce Commission has led successful collaborative processes working with stakeholders to craft solutions that benefit customers, utilities, and other participants, including new competitors and environmental interests.

NextGrid will continue its initiative of empowering customers and communities. The study will be led and overseen by the Illinois Commerce
Commission with the assistance of a facilitator who will seek input from all stakeholders on goals in facilitating the process which will be presented to the ICC at a formal policy session in the early summer.

We welcome comments and suggestions which can be submitted through the Commission's website until April 30th.

Is there any discussion?

Commissioner del Valle.

COMMISSIONER del VALLE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'm encouraged to see that Illinois is exploring what the future could look like for our electric utilities. Bringing together a wide range of stakeholders around a third-party facilitated process and preparing a range of recommendations for the General Assembly is a good next step in this important journey. I would like to thank you for moving this forward.

This undertaking looks beyond the relatively simple process of increasing capital spending for necessary modernization of our grid.
By the end of this decade, ComEd and Ameren's ratepayers will have already invested approximately $3.5 billion in capital spending on grid modernization from our 2011 law.

Through last year's Future Energy Jobs Act, customers will also be spending billions more on energy efficiency, renewable generation, and nuclear generation.

The utilities and vendors have their capital funds guaranteed through these legislative actions. Now this NextGrid process is the Commission's opportunity to present a range of recommendations to the General Assembly that are primarily focused on the customer and maximizing their net benefits.

These recommendations have to include mechanisms to allow us to adequately track, optimize, and ensure the value and affordability of the grid to all customers. As such, I believe the recommendations must start with a robust, multi-stakeholder integrated Distribution Planning process.
I look forward to this exciting and important endeavor. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Thank you, Commissioner.

Any other comments?

(No response.)

All those in favor of approving the resolution, say aye.

(Chorus of ayes.)

Opposed, say nay.

(No response.)

The resolution is adopted.

Judge Kimbrel, do you have any other matters to come before the Commission?

JUDGE KIMBREL: No, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Commissioners, do you have any other items you would like to bring before the Commission this morning?

(No response.)

Hearing none and without objection, the meeting stands adjourned. Thank you.

(Whereupon, the above matter was adjourned.)