BEFORE THE

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

SPECIAL OPEN MEETING

(PUBLIC UTILITY)

Friday, August 25, 2017

Chicago, Illinois

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

PRESENT:

BRIEN J. SHEAHAN, Chairman

SADZI M. OLIVA, Acting Commissioner

MIGUEL DEL VALLE, Commissioner

JOHN R. ROSALES, Commissioner

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CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Pursuant to the Open Meeting Act, I call the August 25th, 2017 Special Open Meeting to order.

Commissioners del Valle, Rosales, and Acting Commissioner Oliva are present with me in Chicago. We have a quorum. We have no requests to speak.

Moving on to our Public Utilities Agenda, there are no minutes to approve this week.

Moving on to our Electricity items, E-1 concerns Revenue-neutral tariff changes related to Ameren's rate design.

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

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item E-2 concerns Amendment of Code Part 455.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order authorizing the Second Notice Period?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is
Item E-3 concerns Administrative Rules for Certification for Utility-Scale Wind and Solar Installers.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order authorizing the Second Notice Period?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item E-4 concerns Administrative Rules for Certification for Energy Efficiency Installers. Commissioner del Valle has some comments.

COMMISSIONER DEL VALLE: Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

The Illinois Energy Efficiency Program is well-established and set to grow significantly. According to the Clean Job Midwest Report from 2016, Energy Efficiency has produced almost 90,000 jobs in Illinois. The Future Energy Jobs Act authorizes the electrical utilities to increase their programs, and just ComEd alone plans on spending between 250 and 400 million in ratepayer dollars per year between now
and 2030. It seems these Energy Efficiency jobs will be by far the bulk of the jobs affected by the new law.

But despite there being no evidence that I've seen that the 10-year old energy efficiency industry was unsafe, the General Assembly inserted a familiar barrier into their so-called "jobs bill".

Now to complete installations, as defined by the rule, a Qualified Person would need to have finished a formal certificate or degree program or have become a union journeyman electrician.

I have expressed concerns about the effect of these traditional gatekeepers on opportunities for people of color, and I remain convinced that they represent significant barriers to employment, which our Staff and the Commission acknowledge in this Order.

The Future Energy Jobs Act does set aside some ratepayer money for a job training program for ComEd, though not Ameren. And while these programs are good, they almost exclusively focus on solar installation and are only a drop in the bucket, especially compared to the billions and billions of dollars that will be spent.
The General Assembly and the proponents of the Act promised significant new opportunities, but the law dictates the same old barriers faced by our state's marginalized communities and limits access to, roughly, two-thirds of this state's clean energy jobs.

These limitations make it imperative that utilities, stakeholders, and the Commission go beyond the call of duty to proactively and extensively educate those involved; monitor the industry; and, if need be, revisit these rules or modify the law to ensure that the energy efficiency jobs promised by FEJA are realized for communities which have been historically underrepresented in energy trades. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Thank you, Commissioner. Any other comments?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order authorizing the Second Notice Period?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.
Item E-5 concerns Ameren's Request for Waiver of Certain Provisions of Code Part 285. Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order approving the request? 
(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item E-6 concerns Althoff Industries' Application for Certification as an Installer of Distributed Generation Facilities. Are there any objections to the proposed Order granting the certificate? 
(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Items E-7 through 9 concern Applications for Licensure of Agents, Brokers, and Consultants. Are there any objections to considering these items or approving the proposed Orders granting the certificates? 
(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Orders are approved.
Item E-10 concerns Constellation NewEnergy's Application to Amend Certificate of Service.

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

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item E-11 concerns Ameren Transmission's Petition for an Order Authorizing the Use of Eminent Domain.

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

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item E-12 concerns MidAmerican's request for an Order authorizing the issuance and sale of Long-Term Debt.

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

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.
Moving on to our Gas Agenda, Item G-1 concerns Illinois Gas & Electric's Petition for the Confidential Treatment of certain proprietary information.

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

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item G-2 concerns Unocal Pipeline's Petition to Cancel its Certificate.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order granting the -- I'm sorry -- approving the proposed Order dismissing the certificate?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Moving on to the Telecommunications Agenda, Item T-1 concerns Frontier North's Application for Authorization to Provide Video Service. This item is informational only and does not require Commission action.

Item T-2 concerns an Order authorizing
the submission of a second notice of proposed
amendments to Code Part 737.

Are there any objections to approving
the proposed Order authorizing the Second Notice
Period?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is
approved.

Item T-3 concerns a Repeal of Code
Part 773.

Are there any objections to approving
the proposed Order authorizing the Second Notice
Period?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is
approved.

Item T-4 concerns AT&T Business
Solutions' Application for a Certificate of Authority
to Operate as a 9-1-1 System Provider in the State of
Illinois.

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

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is
Moving on to our Water Agenda,


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

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.


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

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item W-3 concerns Illinois-American Water's Petition for approval of an affiliated interest transaction related to the issuance of the sale of long-term indebtedness.

Are there any objections to approving the proposed Order granting the petition?
CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Moving on to Other Business, we have one item concerning the August 2017 Solicitation of Bids to Sell Standard Energy Products to Ameren, ComEd, and MidAmerican.

Are there any objections to approving the Procurement Administrator's Recommendations on the Selection of Winning Bids?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Hearing none, the report is approved.

Judge Kimbrel, do you have any other matters to bring before the Commission this morning?

JUDGE KIMBREL: No, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Commissioner del Valle has a "thank you", I think, from all of us.

COMMISSIONER DEL VALLE: Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

I just want to take a moment to recognize Bill Peters, who was a former adviser to our former colleague Anne McCabe. He did an excellent job for her, and he's moving on. He's
going to be going over to MISO, and I'm sure he'll do
a great job there. So I just, on behalf of the
Commission, want to wish you the best.

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: Thank you.

He also did a phenomenal job working
on MARC. And I think we're all excited that he's
secured a spot at MISO.

Any other matters from the
Commissioners?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SHEAHAN: All right. Hearing none,
and without objection, the meeting is adjourned.

Thank you.

(Whereupon, the above matter was
adjourned.)