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

PRESENT:

CARRIE ZALEWSKI, Chairman

BRIEN J. SHEAHAN, Commissioner

D. ETHAN KIMBREL, Commissioner

SADZI M. OLIVA, Commissioner

MARIA S. BOCANEGRA, Commissioner

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CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Good afternoon. Are we ready to proceed in Springfield?

THE CLERK: Yes, we are.

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Under the Opening Meetings Act, I call the December 19th, 2019 Special Open Meeting to order. Commissioners Bocanegra, Kimbrel, and Oliva are here with me in Chicago. We have a quorum.

We're going to move on to the Public Utilities Agenda. There are edits to the December 4, 2019 Regular Open Meeting Minutes.

Are there any objections to approving the minutes as edited?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the minutes are approved.

Item E-1 concerns ERM 19-143, which is ComEd's request to modify its Rider POGCS, or Parallel Operations of Retail Generating Facilities Community Supply. The filing seeks to modify the Rider to offer enrollment facilitation service as well as to offer project administration and billing and remittance services. The Commission has received concerns about this filing from stakeholders. The Commission Staff also
recommends suspending the filing.

   Are there any objections to suspending the filing?

   (No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the filing is a suspended.

Item E-2 concerns ERM 19-149, which is ComEd's request to modify its rate RDS, or Retail Delivery Service, and its Rate RESS, or Retail Electric Supply Service. ComEd seeks amendments to reflect requirements of the new law, PA 101-0590, which takes effect on January 1st of 2020.

   The amendments reflect the prohibitions in the law for alternative retail electric suppliers to provide service for certain low-income customers. The Commission Staff has reviewed the filing and recommends not suspending it.

   Any objections to not suspending the filing?

   (No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the filing is not suspended.

Item E-3 concerns ERM 19-157, which is ComEd's request to modify its Rider DSPM, or Delivery Service Performance Metrics to comply with the Order in Docket
No. 17-0331. The Commission Staff has reviewed the filing and recommends to not suspend it.

Are there any objections to not suspending the filings?

(No response.)

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

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Item E-4 concerns Docket 18-1486, which is Ameren's request to reconcile revenue under its Rider EUA, or Electrical Uncollectible Adjustment, and its Rider GUA, Gas Uncollectible Adjustment. We will hold this item for a later disposition.

Item E-5 concerns ComEd's request to reconcile revenues collected for the purchase electricity adjustment under its Rider PE, Purchase Electricity, and its Rate BESH, or Basic Electric Service - Hourly Energy Pricing. The reconciliation is for the periods of June 2016 to May 2017 and June 2017 through May 2018. The Order approves reconciliation as set in the Appendix to the Order, finding these costs prudently incurred.

Are there any objections to approving the Order?
(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Items E-6 through E-12 concerns applications for certifications to install distributed generation facilities in Illinois. The Orders grant the certificates, finding that the applicant meets requirements.

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

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Orders are approved.

Item E-13 concerns Docket 19-0844, which is ComEd's, Ameren's, and MidAmerican's Joint Petition for a declaratory ruling regarding a dispute related to the Renewable Energy Credits, or RECs, agreement with Paris Solar.

The parties filed a joint motion of the utilities and Paris Solar for approval of Joint Stipulation and Settlement. The proposed settlement provides for conclusion of this docket without Commission's ruling on its jurisdiction over the petition or on the petition's merit or requested relief.

The Order approves the proposed agreed
resolution without rendering a declaratory ruling and finds the resolution prudent and reasonable, given the anticipated or possible costs, burdens, risks, and delays of further litigation.

Are there any objections to approving the Order?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item E-14 concern Illinois Power Agency's petition for approval of the 2020 IPA Electricity Procurement Plan Section 16-111.5(d)(4) of the Public Utilities Act. The Order approves the 2020 plans in the Order.

The Commission rejects Ameren's suggestion the IPA should conduct additional procurement to achieve the 50 percent hedging level. The Commission agrees with the IPA, and the AG, and Staff that the hedging process approved in the 2019 Plan function as directed by the Act by the Commission.

The AG further suggests that the IPA and the Commission consider examining the reasons for the inability to meet the 2019 Plan's hedging goals. The Commission declines to adopt the AG's recommendation, finding that, as suggested by Staff, such examination is already required by Section
16-111.5(e)(5)(ii) of the Public Utilities Act and that process was followed with respect to the IPA's capacity procurement for Ameren's 2020 through 2021 Delivery Year.

Are there any objections to approving the Order?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item E-15 concerns Docket 19-1005, which is BioEnergy's Petition to reduce its letter of credit securing the repayment obligation to the State of Illinois for previous tax credits. In Docket No. 17-0181, the Commission approved a repayment schedule for tax credits previously taken.

BioEnergy, which is a qualified solid waste energy facility, now requests that the Commission grants its request to reduce its letter of credit to reflect the reduced repayment obligation. The Commission Staff recommends allowing the letter of credit to be reduced to the amount of company's outstanding balance. The Order grants the request.

Any objection to approving the Order?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item E-16 concerns Docket 19-1024, which is...
IGS Energy's request to amend its Certificate of Service Authority to act as an Alternative Retail Electric Supplier in Illinois. IGS seeks to amend its certificate to allow it to offer single billing services to non-residential retail customers. The Order grants the request.

Are there any objections to approving the Order?

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item E-17 concerns an application for a license to operate as a Retail Electric Agent, Brokers, Consultants in Illinois. The Order grants the license, finding that the applicant meets the requirements.

Are there any objections to approving the Order?

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Items E-18 through E-35 concern Applications for Certification to Install Energy Efficiency Measures in Illinois. The Orders grant the certificates, finding that the applicants meet the requirements.

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

(No response.)
CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Orders are
approved.

Moving on to our Gas items, Items G-1 and G-2
concern filings by North Shore and Peoples Gas, seeking
additional flexibility to make rider adjustments. The filings
request to eliminate the need to file special permission
requests in the applicants modify information sheets. The
Commission Staff has reviewed the filings and recommends to not
suspend them.

Any objection to considering these items
together and not suspending the filings?

(No response.)

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

Item G-3 concerns Ameren's filing to correct a
scivener's error in the description of the demand charge for
Rate Zone III customers. The Commission Staff has reviewed the
filing and recommends to not suspend it.

Are there any objections to not suspending the
filings?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the filing is not
Item G-4 concerns Nicor's reconciliation of revenues collected and the Rider 30 Energy Efficiency Plan Cost Recovery. This item will be held for later disposition. The Commission recently granted a request for Oral Argument in this docket. The Oral Argument will be held on January 15. The Commission will issue a due notice of the Oral Argument.

Item G-5 concerns Nicor Gas's reconciliation of revenues collected under the purchased gas adjustment for 2018. The Order approves the reconciliation as set in the Appendix to the Order, finding that the costs during the reconciliation period were prudently incurred.

Are there any objections to approving the Order?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Item G-6 concerns Ameren's reconciliation of revenues collected under Rider GER, or Gas Energy Efficiency Plan Cost Recovery in connection with energy efficiency and demand response programs in 2018. The Order approves as set in the Appendix to the Order, finding that the costs during the reconciliation period were prudently incurred.
Are there any objections to approving the Order?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Under our Telecommunications items, Item T-1 concerns an application for a Certificate of Authority to provide resold Commercial Mobile Radio Service in Illinois. The Order grants the Certificate, finding that the applicant meets the requirements.

Are there any objections to approving the Order?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Items T-2 and T-3 concern Petitions to Cancel Certificates of Service Authority to provide Resold Interexchange Telecommunications Services. The Orders cancel the certificates finding that the cancellations will not deprive any Illinois customers of necessary telecommunications service and are not otherwise contrary to the public interest.

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

(No response.)
CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Orders are approved.

Under our Water and Sewer items, Item W-1 concerns Illinois American Water's petition for approval of the Company's Qualifying Infrastructure Plant ("QIP") surcharge reconciliation for the 2018 reconciliation year. The Order approves the reconciliation as set in the Appendix to the Order, finding that the costs during the reconciliation period were prudently incurred.

Are there any objections to approving the Order?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

Under Miscellaneous items, Item M-1 concerns the Commission's action to update the applicable interest rate paid by electric natural gas, water, and sewer utilities and telecommunications carriers on customer deposits during 2020. The Order sets the interest rate at 1.5 percent as aligned with the one year U.S. Treasurer security during the last full week of November 2019.

Are there any objections to approving the Order?
(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the Order is approved.

We have no Petitions for Rehearing.

Under Other Business, Item O-1 concerns approval of December 2019 Solicitation of Bids to Sell Renewable Energy Credits from Low-income Community Solar Pilot projects.

Are there any objection to approving the Procurement Administrator's Recommendations on section of winning bids?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the recommendation are approved.

Item 0-2 concerns approval of Batches, Contracts, and Confirmations under the Illinois Adjustable Block Program.

Are there any objections to approving the Procurement Administrator's Submissions?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the submissions are approved.

Item 0-3 concerns the filing of a Petition
for Review regarding PJM capacity proceeding at FERC.

Are there any objections to approving the fee -- excuse me -- approving the filing for the Petition for Review?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none, the filing is approved. This concludes our Public Utility Agenda. Judge Teague-Kingsley --

JUDGE TEAGUE-KINGSLEY: I'm in Springfield.

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Do you have any matters to come before the Commission today?

JUDGE TEAGUE-KINGSLEY: No, Madam Chairman.

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Since this is our last meeting of the year I would like to take a couple of minutes to reflect upon some of the things that the Commission has accomplished in 2019.

First, I'd like to recognize that the Commission, under its core mission of adjudicating cases, has been very busy deciding over 1400 Public Utility and Transportation cases this is year, including various rate and tariff filings, complaints and investigations, eminent domain requests, and license and certificate grants and revocations.
In making these decisions, the Commission strives to balance the needs of consumers while also ensuring a competitive market. The Commission continues to look for ways to be more accessible to the residents who use services we regulate. In doing so, the Commission released a Citizen's Utility Guide on the ICC web site in September to help the public gain a greater understanding of the work that the ICC performs.

Additionally, in November, Commission Transportation Staff created a new "Frequently Asked Questions" page created to assist Motor Carrier Of Property applicants and licenses in gaining a better understanding of the requirements of the Illinois Commercial Transportation Law.

Moreover, in preparation of the new Home Energy Affordability & Transportation Act, or HEAT Act, Commission Staff put online this month a new HEAT Act FAQ, which can also be found on our web site. As you know, the HEAT Act will take effect or January 1st, 2020 and will impact the rules and regulations regarding Alternative Retail Electric Suppliers (AREAS) and Alternative Gas Supplier (AGS). As the laws and policies change, we will continue to look for ways that we can be a resource of the citizens of Illinois.
The Commission considered a variety of policy issues and provided public forums to educate consumers and gather information this year. Specifically, the Commission hosted six policy sessions. We look forward to engaging the public on a variety of important and relevant topics in the year to come.

Regarding Supplier Diversity, Illinois continues to be the leader in the percentage of diverse spend by the Utilities in the state. In fact, from 2012 to 2018, spending of the five major utilities in Illinois with diverse suppliers increased by more than $2.1 billion dollars. It is no small part of the vision and the dedication of the Commission who engage in the reporting and policy. This Fall will mark the fifth year anniversary of the report on supplier diversity in Illinois, and 2020 will be the first year that renewables will be reporting.

Speaking of Renewable Resources, this year the Commission approved contracts for procuring Renewable Energy Credits (or REC's) through the Adjustable Block Program for nearly 500 megawatts, which includes over 100 community solar projects and 5,600 distributed generation projects.

Additionally, through the Illinois Solar for
All program, the Commission approved contracts for procuring
RECs for approximately 13 megawatts. As you may know, Illinois
Power Agency's Long Term Renewable Resources Procurement Plan
adopted the Illinois Solar for All Program to provide
low-income communities with greater access to solar energy
installations through financial incentives. The Commission is
currently reviewing the IPA's revised Long-term Renewable
Resource Procurement Plan, which can be found on the ICC's web
site.

In cooperation with NARUC, the Commission also
had the opportunity to host Commissioners from Ukraine for a
3-day exchange. And in support of the Institute for Regulatory
Policy Studies, an Illinois-based programs through you the ISU,
the Commission also hosted energy experts from Ghana for an
educational exchange. Through opportunities like these, the
Commission is able to share ideas and gain perspectives on
different approaches to utility regulation.

Finally, I would like to thank the Commission
Staff, who are dedicated public servants that work to achieve
the goals and mission of the ICC every day. I've really
enjoyed getting to know the staff and appreciate their
professionalism and dedication. In particular, I would like to
highlight a few of the incredible accomplishments achieved by Commission Staff this year.

First, Officer Wallace from our police staff was recently called to the scene of a crash while on duty and resuscitated the individual, saving her life. We thank him for his quick response, this show of heroism, and for his service to the State.

Second, one of our Transportation ALJs, Judge Azeema Akram, was 1 of 10 members of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Bar Association, who was sworn into the U.S. Supreme Court Bar on December 11th, 2019. Chief Justice John Roberts granted the motion in both American Sign Language and Spoken English. We are grateful to have Staff like Judge Akram who seek admission to the highest court and continue to achieve professional growth while at the ICC. Congratulations.

Another one of our Staff members, Matt Smith, from the Pipeline Safety Team, was recently honored through an official designation as an instructor by the Federal Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration. This is an infrequently issued and distinguished designation and a true testament of the extensive skills and resources of our staff.

I would like to congratulate and welcome our
new Chief of Police, Brian Thompson, who started this Monday. He comes with an incredible background and experiences, and the Commission is lucky to have his service.

Finally, I'd like to thank Brien Sheahan for a smooth transition of administrations and for his leadership and service in the State.

We've accomplished a lot as a Commission in 2019. We are excited to see what great strides we can make in 2020. We're lucky to have such a dedicated Staff and Commissioners who continue to work every day to fulfill the mission of the ICC.

Do any of the Commissioners have any other business to discuss?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN ZALEWSKI: Hearing none and without objection, the meeting is adjourned.

(Whereupon, the above entitled matter was adjourned.)