

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Anthony Star, Director

RE: Draft Zero Emission Standard Procurement Plan

DATE: July 11, 2017

In accordance with newly enacted Section 1-75(d-5)(1)(C)¹ of the Illinois Power Agency Act, the Illinois Power Agency (“IPA”) hereby presents its Draft Zero Emission Standard Procurement Plan for review and comment by interested parties. The Draft Plan sets forth a procurement approach to secure sufficient cost-effective Zero Emission Credits to meet the requirements of Section 1-75(d-5) of the IPA Act.

Section 1-75(d-5)(1)(C) sets forth the process for commenting on the Draft Plan. Statutory deadlines include the following:

Friday, July 21, 2017: Interested parties are given ten days following the date of the posting (July 11) to provide comment to the IPA on the Draft Procurement Plan.

Monday, July 31, 2017: The IPA has until 60 days after the effective date of Public Act 99-0906 (June 1, 2017) to revise the Draft Zero Emission Standard Procurement Plan, as necessary, based on the comments and to file the Plan with the Illinois Commerce Commission (“Commission”).²

Thursday, September 14, 2017: Deadline for the Commission to enter its order confirming or modifying the Procurement Plan. The Commission must enter an order confirming or modifying the Plan within 45 days after it is filed by the IPA. Please note that the current ICC calendar indicates the last scheduled meeting prior to that deadline is on Monday, September 11, 2017.

While the above dates are the only statutorily-mandated deadlines, upon filing of the Final Procurement Plan, the Commission may determine the need to receive additional comment or to establish a briefing schedule.

The IPA looks forward to parties’ comments and suggestions. The IPA requests that comments submitted to the Agency be specific, supported by data or other detailed analyses, and accompanied by specific alternative wording or proposals where appropriate. To expedite the review process, the IPA respectfully asks parties to make any suggested changes to the Draft Plan in redline format.

Comments on the Draft Plan should be submitted to Mario Bohorquez, Planning and Procurement Bureau Chief, at mario.bohorquez@illinois.gov by July 21, 2017

Comments will then be formatted for posting to the IPA’s website at: <http://www.illinois.gov/ipa>.

¹ Public Act 99-0906, effective June 1, 2017, created new subsection 1-75(d-5) of the Illinois Power Agency Act.

² July 30, 2017, the 60-day deadline established by the statute, falls on a Sunday.