



ILLINOIS POWER AGENCY

Anthony M. Star, Director

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September 29, 2014

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Anthony M. Star, Director

RE: 2015 Draft Supplemental Photovoltaic Procurement Plan

In accordance with Section 1-56(i) of the Illinois Power Agency Act, the Illinois Power Agency (“IPA”) hereby presents its Draft Supplemental Photovoltaic Procurement Plan (“Draft Supplemental Plan”). The Draft Supplemental Plan outlines a “one-time supplemental procurement plan limited to the procurement of renewable energy credits, if available, from new or existing photovoltaics, including, but not limited to, distributed photovoltaic generation.”<sup>1</sup> This plan is designed to, “ensure adequate, reliable, affordable, efficient, and environmentally sustainable electric service in the form of renewable energy credits at the lowest total cost over time, taking into account any benefits of price stability.”<sup>2</sup>

Section 1-56(i)(1) sets forth the process for commenting on the Draft Supplemental Plan. Statutory deadlines include the following:

**Tuesday, October 14, 2014:** Interested parties are given fourteen days following the date of the posting (September 29) to provide comment to the IPA on the Draft Supplemental Plan. Because the 14<sup>th</sup> day (October 13<sup>th</sup>) falls on a holiday (Columbus Day), the comment period will close on the following day.

Comments are required to be “specific, supported by data or other detailed analyses, and, if objecting to all or a portion of the supplemental procurement plan, *accompanied by specific alternative wording or proposals.*”<sup>3</sup>

**Tuesday, October 28, 2014:** The IPA has fourteen days following the end of the 14-day review period to revise the Draft Supplemental Plan, as necessary, based on the comments and to file the final Supplemental Plan with the Commission.

**Monday, November 2, 2014:** Following the submission of the Supplemental Plan, within five days, any person objecting to the Plan may file an objection with the Illinois Commerce

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<sup>1</sup> 20 ILCS 3855/1-56(i)(1)

<sup>2</sup> 20 ILCS 3855/1-56(i)(3)

<sup>3</sup> 20 ILCS 3855/1-56(i)(1)[emphasis added].

Commission (“ICC” or “Commission”). Because the 5<sup>th</sup> day falls on a Sunday, the objection period closes the following Monday.

**Friday, November 7, 2013:** The Commission, within ten days, must determine whether a hearing is necessary.

**Monday, January 26, 2015:** Deadline for the Commission to enter its order confirming or modifying the Supplemental Procurement Plan. The Commission must enter an order confirming or modifying the Supplemental Procurement Plan within 90 days after it is filed by the IPA. Please note that the current ICC has not yet released its 2015 calendar of meetings.

While the above dates are the only statutorily-mandated deadlines, upon filing of the Final Supplemental Procurement Plan, the Commission may determine the need for an additional comment or briefing period in addition to, or in lieu of, hearings.

The IPA looks forward to the parties’ comments and suggestions, and respectfully asks parties to make any suggested changes to the Draft Supplemental Plan in redline format to expedite the review process and to aid in the proper implementation of a Commission Order with respect to this Plan.

**Comments to the Draft Plan should be submitted to Mario Bohorquez at [mario.bohorquez@illinois.gov](mailto:mario.bohorquez@illinois.gov).**

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