



ILLINOIS POWER AGENCY
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Procurement Planning Workshop Announcement

Full Requirements Products

The Illinois Power Agency announces the first in a series of workshops to discuss items related to the development of its 2015 Procurement Plan.

Full Requirements Products

Thursday, June 5, 9:30 AM to Noon

160 N. LaSalle Street, 5th Floor
Chicago, Illinois

A conference call-in number will be available upon request.

Workshops are intended for the IPA to receive ideas, information, and feedback from stakeholders. Decisions regarding inclusion in the IPA's proposed 2015 Procurement Plan¹ are at the sole discretion of the IPA, and the final Plan is subject to the approval of the Illinois Commerce Commission.

Please RSVP to Anthony Star at Anthony.star@illinois.gov

Workshops on additional topics will be announced shortly.

Workshop Details

Full Requirements Products

In its Final Order on the IPA's 2014 Procurement Plan, the ICC stated that,

“For purposes of next year’s plan, the Commission directs the IPA to include a more thorough and accurate analysis of the impacts of incorporating full requirements products into its procurement strategy, including the balance of benefits-to-premium costs of those products and any significant implementation costs it believes will result from this shift in procurement strategy. The Commission is hopeful that this directive will allow the parties adequate time to consider this issue in the next proceeding.”²

¹ Per Section 16-111.5(d), the IPA will issue a draft plan on August 15, 2015 and receive comments on it for 30 days. An updated draft plan will be filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission at the end of September, 2015 for approval by the end of 2015.

² ICC Docket No. 13-0546, Final Order (December 18, 2014) at 95-96.

The IPA further observes that during last year's procurement planning process while there were substantial comments regarding full requirements products, there was ultimately not a clear delineation of the core policy issues and the differences in the quantifications of the costs and benefits. The goal of this workshop is to provide an opportunity to set up clear expectations and understanding of the issues that may be considered in the 2015 Procurement Plan.

The specific topics that the IPA proposes to discuss include:

1. Defining the parameters of full requirements products as they could apply to the Illinois market
2. How full requirements products could intersect with the existing IPA portfolio
3. Defining common metrics for evaluating the cost premium for full requirements products
4. Defining common metrics for evaluating the benefits of full requirements products
5. Other procurement approaches that could alter the cost/benefit balance of the traditional IPA risk management approach

Parties interested in making brief opening presentations on any or all of these topics may make that request (by May 30th) by contacting Mario Bohorquez at Mario.bohorquez@illinois.gov. The IPA reserves the right to determine the number and length of presentations.

The IPA expects that after each workshop it will issue a Request for Comments based upon the discussion at the workshop in order to solicit more detailed feedback from stakeholders. Requests for Comments and responses from stakeholders will be publically disseminated via the IPA's website, www.illinois.gov/ipa.