Responding to Increasing Costs of Electricity and Natural Gas



December 10, 2008

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 10, 2008

8:30 am Welcome

David Loomis, Executive Director, Institute for Regulatory Policy Studies

8:45 am Opening Remarks TBA

9:15 am Session 1: Sources of Increasing Costs

- Higher fossil fuel prices: focus on coal
- Climate change policy and its likely effects on the relative demand for different energy sources
- Increasing demand for natural gas from various sectors (heating, electricity, transportation)

MODERATOR:

Hon. Sherman Elliott, Commissioner Illinois Commerce Commission

SPEAKERS:

Jacob Williams,

Vice President Generation Development, Peabody Energy

David Evans, Economist, US Environmental Protection Agency

Christopher McGill, Managing Director Policy Analysis, American Gas Association

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11:00 am Morning Break

11:15 am Session 2:

Current Status of Energy Efficiency, Demand Response, and Real-Time Pricing Programs

- Description and assessment of energy efficiency programs in Illinois
- Supplier perspective on demand response
- Performance to date of real-time pricing programs

MODERATOR:

Hon. Robert Leiberman, Commissioner *Illinois Commerce Commission*

SPEAKERS:

Annette Beitel, Principal, Future Energy Enterprises, LLC

Katie Papadimitriu, Comverge

Anne Evens, Director, *CNT Energy*

1:00 pm Lunch

Introduction

Dr. Lon Carlson, *Institute for Regulatory Policy Studies*

LUNCH SPEAKER:

Mark Pruitt, Executive Director Illinois Power Agency

2:15 pm Session 3: Emerging Options

SMART GRID

- What is it, what does it mean for reliability of the grid
- What they're doing, where they're going, how consumers can use this to their advantage

EMERGING NATURAL GAS SUPPLY OPTIONS

- Natural gas from shale
- Natural gas pipeline
- Direct use of natural gas to increase efficiency

CONSUMER PERSPECTIVES: RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL

MODERATOR:

Hon. Lula Ford, Commissioner *Illinois Commerce Commission*

SPEAKERS:

Joe Miller, Senior Vice President, Horizon Energy Group

Geoffrey Emerson, Strategic Public Affairs, Inc

Nancy Brockway, Principal, NBrockway & Associates

4:00 pm Close



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