## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Minutes and Informal Instructions of the Open Meeting of Thursday, February 27, 2025

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) met as noticed. Present were Chairperson Strand, Commissioner Nieto and Commissioner Hawkins.

#### **Minutes**

The Commission approved the minutes of the open meeting of Thursday, February 20, 2025.

1645-TW-100 - Application of the Dodge Sanitary District No. 1, Trempealeau County, Wisconsin, as a Water Public Utility, for Approval to Change the Utility's Billing Cycle from Quarterly to Monthly

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

3320-AF-100 - Application of City of Manitowoc, as an Electric Public Utility, Manitowoc County, Wisconsin, for Approval of Deferral Accounting Treatment for Solar Garden Project Expenses

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

4740-CE-107 - Application of City of Plymouth, as an Electric Public Utility, for a Certificate of Authority to Construct a New Storage Shed, in the City of Plymouth, Sheboygan County, Wisconsin

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

6680-TE-113 - Application of Wisconsin Power and Light Company for Approval to Expand its Community Solar Program Tariff

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

2800-ER-110 - Application of City of Kaukauna, Outagamie and Calumet Counties, Wisconsin, as an Electric Public Utility, for Authority to Adjust Electric Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

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# 5820-UR-117 - Application of Superior Water, Light and Power Company for Authority to Adjust Retail Electric, Gas, and Water Rates

## Order to Reopen, Notice, and Request for Comment

The Commission approved the draft Order to Reopen, Notice, and Request for comment and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

9709-FG-2022 - 2022 Energy Innovation Grant Program Funded by a Grant Awarded by the Department of Energy, SEP-Formula, on July 27, 2009

### Petition of Village of McFarland for a Scope Change Amendment Grant

The Commission reviewed the petition of Village of McFarland's (McFarland) for a scope change to the 2022 Energy Innovation Grant Program (EIGP) award it received to either scale back the existing scope of work to remove the microgrid controllers from the original scope of work and proceed with installation of just the energy storage system at the original project site (Option 1), or use the balance of the EIGP 2022 grant funds toward installation of a geothermal energy system for McFarland's planned Community Center, as described in a separate EIGP 2023 application that was not approved in the Commission's initial award decision (Option 2).

The Commission provided further direction to the Delegated Commissioner to approve the scope change to the existing grant agreement, as presented by the Grant Recipient in Option 1 to scale back existing scope of work by removing microgrid controls at the Public Safety Center and to adjust the grant award amount to a maximum of \$250,000 for Activity 1, less the previously paid reimbursements.

137-CE-205 - Application of American Transmission Company LLC, as an Electric Public Utility, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct a New Double-Circuit 138 kV Transmission Line to Serve a New Plymouth Utilities' Distribution Substation in the Towns of Lyndon and Mitchell, Sheboygan County, Wisconsin

## **ATC Petition for Reopening and Rehearing**

The Commission reviewed the petition of American Transmission Company LLC for reopening and rehearing in docket 137-CE-205 and directed the issuance of an Order to Reopen, Notice, and Request for comment describing the Commission's intent to modify its Final Decision dated January 31, 2025 (PSC REF#: 531454) by removing order condition 8 in its entirety and indicating that if no comments are received opposing the proposed change, that the Commission Secretary is directed to sing a Final Decision on Reopening that removes order condition 8 and states that all other aspects of the final decision remain in effect.

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If comments in opposition are received, the matter shall be returned to the Commission.

The Commission directed the Division of Energy Regulation and Analysis to draft an Order to Reopen, Notice and Request for Comment consistent with its discussion.

CLOSED SESSION – The Commission recessed the open meeting, went into closed session under Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g) to discuss the potential litigation matter noted below with legal counsel, and reconvened the open meeting pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(2).

5-EI-2025 - Investigation on Commission's Own Motion of Impacts or Activities Related to the Operation of Energy Markets by the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

Commissioner Nieto moved, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g), that the Commission convene in closed session to discuss the potential litigation matte listed above with legal counsel. Commissioner Hawkins seconded the motion. The motion was carried, and the Commission went into closed session.

After a discussion in closed session, the Commission reconvened in open session and indicated that it had provided direction to the Delegated Commissioner to the Organization of MISO States regarding the above referenced matter.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 12:09 p.m

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Secretary to the Commission

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