

Thursday, March 9, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARINGS REGARDING THE "PREVENTING OUTAGES AND ENHANCING THE RESILIENCE OF THE ELECTRIC GRID" PROGRAM

The Illinois Finance Authority (the "Authority") will hold two public hearings on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 pm, as required by Section 40101(d)(2)(B)(ii) of the "Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act" to review the objectives, metrics, criteria and methods, and funding distributions the Authority anticipates using to grant awards to eligible entities and the proposed funding distributions for the full 5-year period of the Authority's new resilience program receiving funding under the U.S. Department of Energy's new "PREVENTING"

March 14, 2023 10:30 AM Public Hearing

OUTAGES AND ENHANCING THE RESILIENCE OF THE ELECTRIC GRID" program.

The first public hearing will take place in the Authority's Chicago Office, 160 North LaSalle Street, Suite S1000, Chicago, Illinois 60601 on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. Due to ongoing health concerns related to the novel COVID-19 virus, members of the public are encouraged to attend the meeting via audio or video conference pursuant to the determination and declarations by the Chair attached hereto. To register to attend via Video Conference, use this link https://theaccelerategroup.webex.com/weblink/register/r561453bdab47f0fca3814445942e050e. The Audio Conference Number is +1-650-479-3208 and the Meeting ID 2596 491 0467 followed by pound (#).

Guests wishing to comment orally are invited to do so, pursuant to the "Guidelines for Public Comment" prescribed by the Authority and posted at www.il-fa.com. Guests participating via audio conference who find that they cannot hear the proceedings clearly can call (312) 651-1300 or write info@il-fa.com for assistance. Please contact an Assistant Secretary of the Board at (312) 651-1300 for more information.

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- I. Review of the Authority's proposal to the U.S. Department of Energy
- II. Public Comment

March 14, 2023 6:00 PM Public Hearing

The second public hearing will take place <u>VIRTUALLY ONLY</u> on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 6 p.m. <u>NOTE</u>: 160 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60601 <u>WILL NOT BE PHYSICALLY OPEN</u>. To register to attend via Video Conference, use this link https://theaccelerategroup.webex.com/weblink/register/ra695a17dca405ce256db4c34a50f8ab3. The Audio Conference Number is +1-650-479-3208 and the Meeting ID 2594 284 9390 followed by pound (#).

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DETERMINATION AND DECLARATIONS BY THE CHAIR OF THE ILLINOIS FINANCE AUTHORITY

I, Will Hobert, as the Chair of the Illinois Finance Authority (the "Authority"), hereby make the following determination and declarations:

THAT the Governor of the State of Illinois issued a Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation on March 3, 2023 finding that, pursuant to the provisions of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, a disaster exists within the State of Illinois related to public health concerns caused by Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") and declaring all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area, which Proclamation remains in effect for 30 days; and

THAT in accordance with the provisions of Section 7(e) of the Open Meetings Act, as amended, I have determined that an in-person meeting of the Authority on March 14, 2023, the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Authority, is not practical or prudent because of the disaster declared by the Governor on March 3, 2023; and

THEREFORE the next regular meeting of the Authority scheduled for March 14, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. shall be conducted via audio and video conference, without the physical presence of a quorum of the Members of the Authority, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7(e) of the Open Meetings Act, as amended; and

THAT all members of the body participating in the meeting, wherever their physical location, shall be verified and can hear one another and can hear all discussion and testimony; and

THAT members of the public present at the regular meeting location of the body can hear all discussion and testimony and all votes of the Members of the Authority; any interested member of the public will be provided access to contemporaneously hear all discussion, testimony, and roll call votes by telephone via audio conference; and

THAT the Executive Director of the Authority shall be physically present at the regular meeting location; and

THAT any other meetings or hearings of the Authority or its committees held between the date of this determination and April 2, 2023 shall also be held in accordance with the above practices.

/s/ Will Hobert	March 3, 2023
Will Hobert, Chair	Date

Signed: