

Illinois Power Company ("IP") is an energy delivery company based in Decatur, Illinois, which serves more than 650,000 natural gas and electricity customers in a 15,000 square-mile territory across Illinois. IP maintains licenses for 21 frequency pairs in the 806 to 821 MHz and 851 to 866 MHz band to support the reliability and efficiency of its public utility facilities. Any proposal that would require IP to relocate out of the 800 MHz band would force it to replace most of its voice radio system. Replacement cost could exceed \$10 million, and much of that cost would be included in the future utility bills of IP's customers. Moreover, IP has operated in the 800 MHz band since 1992 without causing any interference to public safety licensees.

IP has reviewed the comments filed in this proceeding by the United Telecom Council ("UTC"). The purpose of these comments is to support the UTC comments as describing a balanced overall approach to the matters being considered in this proceeding.