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09700SB0678sam001 LRB097 04938 CEL 58983 a 1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 678 2 AMENDMENT NO. . Amend Senate Bill 678 by replacing 3 everything after the enacting clause with the following: "Section 1. Short title. This amendatory Act may be 4 5 referred to as the Illinois Renewable Electricity Resources 6 Act. 7 Section 5. The Illinois Power Agency Act is amended by changing Sections 1-10, 1-20, 1-56, and 1-75 by adding Sections 8 1-76, 1-76.5, 1-77.5, 1-79, and 1-81 as follows: 9 10 (20 ILCS 3855/1-10) Sec. 1-10. Definitions. 11 12 "Agency" means the Illinois Power Agency. "Agency loan agreement" means any agreement pursuant to 13 14 which the Illinois Finance Authority agrees to loan the proceeds of revenue bonds issued with respect to a project to 15

- 1 the Agency upon terms providing for loan repayment installments
- 2 at least sufficient to pay when due all principal of, interest
- and premium, if any, on those revenue bonds, and providing for 3
- 4 maintenance, insurance, and other matters in respect of the
- 5 project.
- 6 "Authority" means the Illinois Finance Authority.
- "Bundled renewable energy resources" means electricity 7
- generated by a renewable energy resource and its associated 8
- 9 renewable energy credit.
- 10 "Clean coal electricity buyer" means (1) each electric
- 11 utility and (2) each alternative electric retail supplier that
- is subject to the requirements of subsection (d) of Section 12
- 13 1-75 of this Act and paragraph (5) of subsection (d) of Section
- 14 16-115 of the Public Utilities Act.
- 15 "Clean coal energy" means all energy produced by the
- 16 initial clean coal facility.
- "Clean coal facility" means an electric generating 17
- facility that uses primarily coal as a feedstock and that 18
- captures and sequesters carbon dioxide emissions at the 19
- 20 following levels: at least 50% of the total carbon dioxide
- emissions that the facility would otherwise emit if, at the 21
- time construction commences, the facility is scheduled to 22
- commence operation before 2016, at least 70% of the total 23
- 24 carbon dioxide emissions that the facility would otherwise emit
- 25 if, at the time construction commences, the facility is
- 26 scheduled to commence operation during 2016 or 2017, and at

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least 90% of the total carbon dioxide emissions that the facility would otherwise emit if, at the time construction commences, the facility is scheduled to commence operation after 2017. The power block of the clean coal facility shall not exceed allowable emission rates for sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, particulates and mercury for a natural gas-fired combined-cycle facility the same size as and in the same location as the clean coal facility at the time the clean coal facility obtains an approved air permit. All coal used by a clean coal facility shall have high volatile bituminous rank and greater than 1.7 pounds of sulfur per million btu content, unless the clean coal facility does not use gasification technology and was operating as a conventional coal-fired electric generating facility on June 1, 2009 (the effective date of Public Act 95-1027).

"Clean coal fraction" means, with respect to a clean coal electricity buyer for a month, a fraction, the numerator of which is such clean coal electricity buyer's retail market sales of electricity (expressed in kilowatthours sold) in the State during the third month preceding the applicable month and the denominator of which is the total retail market sales of electricity (expressed in kilowatthours sold) in the State by all clean coal electricity buyers during such third month preceding the applicable month, as such fraction may be adjusted pursuant to subparagraph (E) of paragraph (2) of subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of this Act.

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"Clean coal SNG brownfield facility" means a facility that (1) has commenced construction by July 1, 2015 on an urban brownfield site in a municipality with at least 1,000,000 residents; (2) uses a gasification process to produce substitute natural gas; (3) uses coal as at least 50% of the total feedstock over the term of any sourcing agreement with a utility and the remainder of the feedstock may be either petroleum coke or coal, with all such coal having a high bituminous rank and greater than 1.7 pounds of sulfur per million Btu content unless the facility reasonably determines that it is necessary to use additional petroleum coke to deliver additional consumer savings, in which case the facility shall use coal for at least 35% of the total feedstock over the term of any sourcing agreement; and (4) captures and sequesters at least 85% of the total carbon dioxide emissions that the facility would otherwise emit.

"Clean coal SNG facility" means a facility that uses a gasification process to produce substitute natural gas, that sequesters at least 90% of the total carbon dioxide emissions that the facility would otherwise emit, that uses at least 90% coal as a feedstock, with all such coal having a high bituminous rank and greater than 1.7 pounds of sulfur per million btu content, and that has a valid and effective permit to construct emission sources and air pollution control equipment and approval with respect to the federal regulations for Prevention of Significant Deterioration of Air Quality

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- 1 (PSD) for the plant pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act;
- provided, however, a clean coal SNG brownfield facility shall 2
- 3 not be a clean coal SNG facility.
- 4 "Commission" means the Illinois Commerce Commission.
- 5 "Costs incurred in connection with the development and construction of a facility" means: 6
 - (1) the cost of acquisition of all real property, fixtures, and improvements in connection therewith and equipment, personal property, and other property, rights, and easements acquired that are deemed necessary for the operation and maintenance of the facility;
 - (2) financing costs with respect to bonds, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness of the Agency;
 - (3) all origination, commitment, utilization, facility, placement, underwriting, syndication, credit enhancement, and rating agency fees;
 - engineering, design, procurement, consulting, (4)legal, accounting, title insurance, survey, appraisal, escrow, trustee, collateral agency, interest rate hedging, interest rate swap, capitalized interest, contingency, as required by lenders, and other financing costs, and other expenses for professional services; and
 - (5) the costs of plans, specifications, site study and investigation, installation, surveys, other Agency costs and estimates of costs, and other expenses necessary or incidental to determining the feasibility of any project,

1	together with such other expenses as may be necessary or
2	incidental to the financing, insuring, acquisition, and
3	construction of a specific project and starting up,
4	commissioning, and placing that project in operation.
5	"Delivery services" has the same definition as found in
6	Section 16-102 of the Public Utilities Act.
7	"Delivery services non-eligible retail customers" means
8	the retail customers in an electric utility's service area for
9	which the electric utility provides delivery services, but
10	which are not eligible retail customers as defined in
11	subsection (a) of Section 1-75 of this Act.
12	"Department" means the Department of Commerce and Economic
13	Opportunity.
14	"Director" means the Director of the Illinois Power Agency.
15	"Demand-response" means measures that decrease peak
16	electricity demand or shift demand from peak to off-peak
17	periods.
18	"Distributed renewable energy generation device" means a
19	<pre>device that is:</pre>
20	(1) powered by wind, solar thermal energy,
21	photovoltaic cells and panels, biodiesel, crops and
22	untreated and unadulterated organic waste biomass, tree
23	waste, and hydropower that does not involve new
24	construction or significant expansion of hydropower dams;
25	(2) interconnected at the distribution system level of
26	either an electric utility as defined in this Section, an

1	alternative retail electric supplier as defined in Section
2	16-102 of the Public Utilities Act, a municipal utility as
3	defined in Section 3-105 of the Public Utilities Act, or a
4	rural electric cooperative as defined in Section 3-119 of
5	the Public Utilities Act;

- (3) located on the customer side of the customer's electric meter and is generally used to offset that customer's electricity load; and
- 9 (4) limited in nameplate capacity to no more than 2,000 kilowatts.

"Energy efficiency" means measures that reduce the amount
of electricity or natural gas required to achieve a given end
use.

"Electric utility" has the same definition as found in Section 16-102 of the Public Utilities Act.

"Excluded renewable energy resources contract costs" means the amount by which the costs of renewable energy resources, purchased for a particular year to meet the renewable energy resources standards of paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of this Act applicable to the load of an electric utility's eligible retail customers pursuant to a contract with a term greater than one year that the electric utility entered into in a previous year in accordance with a procurement approved by the Commission pursuant to Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act, exceed the limitations imposed by paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of this Act for

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"Facility" means an electric generating unit or a co-generating unit that produces electricity along with related equipment necessary to connect the facility to an electric transmission or distribution system.

"Governmental aggregator" means one or more units of local government that individually or collectively procure electricity to serve residential retail electrical loads located within its or their jurisdiction.

"Initial clean coal facility" means an electric generating facility using gasification technology that: (1) has a nameplate capacity of at least 500 MW; (2) irrevocably commits in its proposed sourcing agreement to use coal for at least 50% of the total feedstock over the term of a sourcing agreement, with all coal having high volatile bituminous rank and greater than 1.7 pounds of sulfur per million btu content; (3) is designed to capture and sequester at least 90% of the carbon dioxide emissions that the portion of the facility, if any, that produces SNG would otherwise emit and at least 50% of the total carbon dioxide emissions that the facility as a whole would otherwise emit; (4) absent an appeal of a permit or regulatory order, is reasonably capable of achieving commercial operation by no later than 5 years after the execution of the sourcing agreements; (5) has a feasible financing plan; (6) has a reliable and cost-effective transmission plan to deliver energy to Commonwealth Edison

- 1 Company and Ameren Illinois; and (7) has a power block designed
- not to exceed allowable emission rates for sulfur dioxide, 2
- nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, particulates, and mercury 3
- 4 for a natural gas-fired combined-cycle facility the same size
- 5 as and in the same location as the electric generating facility
- at the time the electric generating facility obtains an 6
- 7 approved air permit.
- "Large electric customer" means a customer that (1) obtains 8
- 9 retail electric service in the State from an electric utility
- 10 or an alternative retail electric supplier and (2) is not a
- 11 small electric customer.
- "Local government" means a unit of local government as 12
- 13 defined in Article VII of Section 1 of the Illinois
- 14 Constitution.
- "Municipality" means a city, village, or incorporated 15
- 16 town.
- "Person" means any natural person, firm, partnership, 17
- corporation, either domestic or foreign, company, association, 18
- limited liability company, joint stock company, or association 19
- 20 and includes any trustee, receiver, assignee, or personal
- 21 representative thereof.
- "Project" means the planning, bidding, and construction of 22
- 23 a facility.
- "Public utility" has the same definition as found in 24
- 25 Section 3-105 of the Public Utilities Act.
- 26 "Real property" means any interest in land together with

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1 all structures, fixtures, and improvements thereon, including

lands under water and riparian rights, any easements,

covenants, licenses, leases, rights-of-way, uses, and other

interests, together with any liens, judgments, mortgages, or

other claims or security interests related to real property.

"Renewable energy credit" means a tradable credit that represents the environmental attributes of a certain amount of energy produced from a renewable energy resource.

"Renewable energy resources" includes energy and its associated renewable energy credit or renewable energy credits from wind, solar thermal energy, photovoltaic cells and panels, biodiesel, anaerobic digestion, crops and untreated and unadulterated organic waste biomass, tree waste, hydropower that does not involve new construction or significant expansion hydropower dams, and other alternative sources environmentally preferable energy. For purposes of this Act, landfill gas produced in the State is considered a renewable energy resource. "Renewable energy resources" does not include the incineration or burning of tires, garbage, general household, institutional, and commercial waste, industrial lunchroom or office waste, landscape waste other than tree waste, railroad crossties, utility poles, or construction or demolition debris, other than untreated and unadulterated waste wood.

"Revenue bond" means any bond, note, or other evidence of indebtedness issued by the Authority, the principal and

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1 interest of which is payable solely from revenues or income derived from any project or activity of the Agency. 2

"Sequester" means permanent storage of carbon dioxide by injecting it into a saline aquifer, a depleted gas reservoir, or an oil reservoir, directly or through an enhanced oil recovery process that may involve intermediate storage, regardless of whether these activities are conducted by a clean coal facility, the initial clean coal facility, a clean coal SNG facility, a clean coal SNG brownfield facility, or a party with which a clean coal facility, initial clean coal facility, or clean coal SNG facility, or clean coal SNG brownfield facility has contracted for such purposes.

13 "Service area" has the same definition as found in Section 14 16-102 of the Public Utilities Act.

"Sourcing agreement" means (i) in the case of an electric utility, an agreement between the owner of a clean coal facility or initial clean coal facility and such electric utility, which agreement shall have terms and conditions meeting the requirements of paragraph (3) of subsection (d) of Section 1-75, (ii) in the case of an alternative retail electric supplier, an agreement between the owner of a clean coal facility or initial clean coal facility and such alternative retail electric supplier, which agreement shall have terms and conditions meeting the requirements of Section 16-115(d)(5) of the Public Utilities Act, and (iii) in case of a gas utility, an agreement between the owner of a clean coal

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1 SNG brownfield facility and the gas utility, which agreement 2

shall have the terms and conditions meeting the requirements of

subsection (h-1) of Section 9-220 of the Public Utilities Act.

"Small electric customer" means a residential retail electric customer that obtains electric service in the State from an electric utility or an alternative retail electric supplier.

"Substitute natural gas" or "SNG" means a gas manufactured by gasification of hydrocarbon feedstock, which substantially interchangeable in use and distribution with conventional natural gas.

"Total resource cost test" or "TRC test" means a standard that is met if, for an investment in energy efficiency or demand-response measures, the benefit-cost ratio is greater than one. The benefit-cost ratio is the ratio of the net present value of the total benefits of the program to the net present value of the total costs as calculated over the lifetime of the measures. A total resource cost test compares the sum of avoided electric utility costs, representing the benefits that accrue to the system and the participant in the delivery of those efficiency measures, as well as other quantifiable societal benefits, including avoided natural gas utility costs, to the sum of all incremental costs of end-use measures that are implemented due to the program (including both utility and participant contributions), plus costs to administer, deliver, and evaluate each demand-side program, to

- 1 quantify the net savings obtained by substituting the
- 2 demand-side program for supply resources. In calculating
- 3 avoided costs of power and energy that an electric utility
- 4 would otherwise have had to acquire, reasonable estimates shall
- 5 be included of financial costs likely to be imposed by future
- regulations and legislation on emissions of greenhouse gases. 6
- (Source: P.A. 96-33, eff. 7-10-09; 96-159, eff. 8-10-09; 7
- 96-784, eff. 8-28-09; 96-1000, eff. 7-2-10; 97-96, eff. 8
- 9 7-13-11; 97-239, eff. 8-2-11; 97-491, eff. 8-22-11; revised
- 10 9-7-11.)
- (20 ILCS 3855/1-20) 11
- 12 Sec. 1-20. General powers of the Agency.
- 13 (a) The Agency is authorized to do each of the following:
- 14 (1) Develop electricity procurement plans to ensure
- 15 affordable, efficient, adequate, reliable,
- environmentally sustainable electric service at the lowest 16
- total cost over time, taking into account any benefits of 17
- price stability, for electric utilities that on December 18
- 19 31, 2005 provided electric service to at least 100,000
- 20 customers in Illinois and for small multi-jurisdictional
- 21 electric utilities that (A) on December 31, 2005 served
- 22 less than 100,000 customers in Illinois and (B) request a
- 23 procurement plan for their Illinois jurisdictional load.
- 24 The procurement plans shall be updated on an annual basis
- 25 and shall include electricity generated from renewable

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resources sufficient to achieve the standards specified in this Act. For periods beginning on and after June 1, 2012, the procurement plans shall also include procurement of renewable energy credits, in accordance with subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of this Act, in amounts projected to be sufficient to meet the renewable energy resources standard specified in subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of this Act with respect to the kilowatthour usage of delivery services non-eligible retail customers in such electric utilities' service areas.

- Conduct competitive procurement processes to (2) procure the supply resources identified in the procurement plan, pursuant to Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act.
- (3) Develop electric generation and co-generation facilities that use indigenous coal or renewable resources, or both, financed with bonds issued by the Illinois Finance Authority.
- (4) Supply electricity from the Agency's facilities at cost to one or more of the following: municipal electric systems, governmental aggregators, or rural electric cooperatives in Illinois.
- (b) Except as otherwise limited by this Act, the Agency has all of the powers necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes and provisions of this Act, including without limitation, each of the following:

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- (1) To have a corporate seal, and to alter that seal at pleasure, and to use it by causing it or a facsimile to be affixed or impressed or reproduced in any other manner.
 - (2) To use the services of the Illinois Finance Authority necessary to carry out the Agency's purposes.
 - (3) To negotiate and enter into loan agreements and other agreements with the Illinois Finance Authority.
 - (4) To obtain and employ personnel and hire consultants that are necessary to fulfill the Agency's purposes, and to expenditures for that purpose within make the appropriations for that purpose.
 - (5) To purchase, receive, take by grant, gift, devise, bequest, or otherwise, lease, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, employ, use, and otherwise deal in and with, real or personal property whether tangible or intangible, or any interest therein, within the State.
 - (6) To acquire real or personal property, whether tangible or intangible, including without limitation property rights, interests in property, franchises, obligations, contracts, and debt and equity securities, and to do so by the exercise of the power of eminent domain in accordance with Section 1-21; except that any real property acquired by the exercise of the power of eminent domain must be located within the State.
 - To sell, convey, lease, exchange, transfer, abandon, or otherwise dispose of, or mortgage, pledge, or

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create a security interest in, any of its assets, properties, or any interest therein, wherever situated.

- (8) To purchase, take, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, hold, make a tender offer for, vote, sell, lend, lease, exchange, transfer, otherwise dispose of, mortgage, pledge, or grant a security interest in, use, and otherwise deal in and with, bonds and obligations, shares, or other securities interests therein) issued by others, whether engaged in a similar or different business or activity.
- (9) To make and execute agreements, contracts, and other instruments necessary or convenient in the exercise of the powers and functions of the Agency under this Act, including contracts with any person, local government, State agency, or other entity; and all State agencies and all local governments are authorized to enter into and do things necessary to perform any such agreement, contract, or other instrument with the Agency. No such agreement, contract, or other instrument shall exceed 40 years.
- (10) To lend money, invest and reinvest its funds in accordance with the Public Funds Investment Act, and take and hold real and personal property as security for the payment of funds loaned or invested.
- (11) To borrow money at such rate or rates of interest as the Agency may determine, issue its notes, bonds, or

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other obligations to evidence that indebtedness, secure any of its obligations by mortgage or pledge of its real or personal property, machinery, equipment, structures, fixtures, inventories, revenues, grants, and other funds as provided or any interest therein, wherever situated.

- (12) To enter into agreements with the Illinois Finance Authority to issue bonds whether or not the income therefrom is exempt from federal taxation.
- To procure insurance against any loss (13)connection with its properties or operations in such amount or amounts and from such insurers, including the federal government, as it may deem necessary or desirable, and to pay any premiums therefor.
- To negotiate and enter into agreements with trustees or receivers appointed by United States bankruptcy courts or federal district courts or in other proceedings involving adjustment of debts and authorize proceedings involving adjustment of debts and authorize legal counsel for the Agency to appear in any such proceedings.
- (15) To file a petition under Chapter 9 of Title 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code or take other similar action for the adjustment of its debts.
- (16) To enter into management agreements for the operation of any of the property or facilities owned by the

1 Agency.

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- (17) To enter into an agreement to transfer and to transfer any land, facilities, fixtures, or equipment of the Agency to one or more municipal electric systems, governmental aggregators, or rural electric agencies or cooperatives, for such consideration and upon such terms as the Agency may determine to be in the best interest of the citizens of Illinois.
- (18) To enter upon any lands and within any building whenever in its judgment it may be necessary for the purpose of making surveys and examinations to accomplish any purpose authorized by this Act.
- (19) To maintain an office or offices at such place or places in the State as it may determine.
- (20) To request information, and to make any inquiry, investigation, survey, or study that the Agency may deem necessary to enable it effectively to carry out the provisions of this Act.
 - (21) To accept and expend appropriations.
- (22) To engage in any activity or operation that is incidental to and in furtherance of efficient operation to accomplish the Agency's purposes.
- (23) To adopt, revise, amend, and repeal rules with respect to its operations, properties, and facilities as may be necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of this Act, subject to the provisions of the Illinois

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1	Administrative	Procedure	Act	and	Sections	1-22	and	1-35	of
2	this Act.								

- (24) To establish and collect charges and fees as described in this Act.
- (25) To conduct competitive gasification feedstock procurement processes to procure the feedstocks for the clean coal SNG brownfield facility in accordance with the requirements of Section 1-78 of this Act.
- (26)To review, revise, and approve sourcing agreements and mediate and resolve disputes between gas utilities and the clean coal SNG brownfield facility pursuant to subsection (h-1) of Section 9-220 of the Public Utilities Act.
- (27) To review, revise, and approve sourcing agreements and mediate and resolve disputes between electric utilities or alternative retail electric suppliers and the initial clean coal facility pursuant to paragraph (4) of subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of this <u>Act.</u>
- (28) To conduct competitive gasification feedstock procurement processes to procure the feedstocks for the initial clean coal facility in accordance with the requirements of Section 1-79 of this Act.
- 24 (Source: P.A. 96-784, eff. 8-28-09; 96-1000, eff. 7-2-10; 25 97-96, eff. 7-13-11; 97-325, eff. 8-12-11; revised 9-7-11.)

- 1 (20 ILCS 3855/1-56)
- 2 1-56. Illinois Power Agency Renewable Energy
- 3 Resources Fund.

- 4 (a) The Illinois Power Agency Renewable Energy Resources
- 5 Fund is created as a special fund in the State treasury.
- (b) The Illinois Power Agency Renewable Energy Resources 6 Fund shall be administered by the Agency to procure renewable 7 energy resources. Prior to June 1, 2011, resources procured 8 9 pursuant to this Section shall be procured from facilities 10 located in Illinois, provided the resources are available from 11 those facilities. If resources are not available in Illinois, then they shall be procured in states that adjoin Illinois. If 12 13 resources are not available in Illinois or in states that 14 adjoin Illinois, then they may be purchased elsewhere. 15 Beginning June 1, 2011, resources procured pursuant to this 16 Section shall be procured from facilities located in Illinois or states that adjoin Illinois. If resources are not available 17 18 in Illinois or in states that adjoin Illinois, then they may be procured elsewhere. To the extent available, at least 75% of 19 20 these renewable energy resources shall come from wind 21 generation. Of the renewable energy resources procured 22 pursuant to this Section at least the following specified 23 percentages shall come from photovoltaics on the following 24 schedule: 0.5% by June 1, 2012; 1.5% by June 1, 2013; 3% by 25 June 1, 2014; and 6% by June 1, 2015 and thereafter. Of the

renewable energy resources procured pursuant to this Section at

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least the following percentages shall come from distributed renewable energy generation devices: 0.5% by June 1, 2013, 0.75% by June 1, 2014, and 1% by June 1, 2015 and thereafter. To the extent available, half of the renewable energy resources procured from distributed renewable energy generation shall come from devices of less than 25 kilowatts in nameplate capacity. Renewable energy resources procured from distributed generation devices may also count towards the required percentages for wind and solar photovoltaics. Procurement of renewable energy resources from distributed renewable energy generation devices shall be done on an annual basis through multi-year contracts of no less than 5 years, and shall consist solely of renewable energy credits.

The Agency shall create credit requirements for suppliers of distributed renewable energy. In order to minimize the administrative burden on contracting entities, the Agency shall solicit the use of third-party organizations to aggregate distributed renewable energy into groups of no less than one megawatt in installed capacity. These third-party organizations shall administer contracts with individual distributed renewable energy generation device owners. An individual distributed renewable energy generation device owner shall have the ability to measure the output of his or her distributed renewable energy generation device.

(c) The Agency shall procure renewable energy resources at least once each year in conjunction with a procurement event

- 1 for electric utilities required to comply with Section 1-75 of
- 2 the Act and shall, whenever possible, enter into long-term
- 3 contracts on an annual basis for a portion of the incremental
- 4 requirement for the given procurement year.
- 5 (d) The price paid to procure renewable energy credits
- 6 using monies from the Illinois Power Agency Renewable Energy
- Resources Fund shall not exceed the winning bid prices paid for 7
- 8 like resources procured for electric utilities required to
- 9 comply with Section 1-75 of this Act.
- 10 (e) All renewable energy credits procured using monies from
- 11 the Illinois Power Agency Renewable Energy Resources Fund shall
- be permanently retired. 12
- 13 (f) The procurement process described in this Section is
- 14 exempt from the requirements of the Illinois Procurement Code,
- 15 pursuant to Section 20-10 of that Code.
- 16 (q) All disbursements from the Illinois Power Agency
- Renewable Energy Resources Fund shall be made only upon 17
- 18 warrants of the Comptroller drawn upon the Treasurer as
- 19 custodian of the Fund upon vouchers signed by the Director or
- 20 by the person or persons designated by the Director for that
- 21 purpose. The Comptroller is authorized to draw the warrant upon
- 22 vouchers so signed. The Treasurer shall accept all warrants so
- 23 signed and shall be released from liability for all payments
- 24 made on those warrants.
- 25 (h) The Illinois Power Agency Renewable Energy Resources
- 26 Fund shall not be subject to sweeps, administrative charges, or

- 1 chargebacks, including, but not limited to, those authorized
- 2 under Section 8h of the State Finance Act, that would in any
- 3 way result in the transfer of any funds from this Fund to any
- 4 other fund of this State or in having any such funds utilized
- 5 for any purpose other than the express purposes set forth in
- 6 this Section.
- (i) The Illinois Power Agency Renewable Energy Resources 7
- Fund shall be terminated upon depletion of all funds therein 8
- 9 through the purchase of renewable energy credits.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 96-159, eff. 8-10-09; 96-1000, eff. 7-2-10;
- 96-1437, eff. 8-17-10.) 11
- 12 (20 ILCS 3855/1-75)
- Sec. 1-75. Planning and Procurement Bureau. The Planning 13
- 14 and Procurement Bureau has following the duties and
- 15 responsibilities:
- (a) The Planning and Procurement Bureau shall each 16
- year, beginning in 2008, develop procurement plans and 17
- conduct competitive procurement processes in accordance 18
- 19 with the requirements of Section 16-111.5 of the Public
- Utilities Act for the eliqible retail customers of electric 20
- utilities that on December 31, 2005 provided electric 21
- 22 service to at least 100,000 customers in Illinois, and for
- 23 years beginning on and after June 1, 2012, for the
- 24 procurement of renewable energy credits in respect of the
- kilowatthour usage of delivery services non-eligible 25

retail customers in such electric utilities' service
<u>areas</u> . The Planning and Procurement Bureau shall also
develop procurement plans and conduct competitive
procurement processes in accordance with the requirements
of Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act for the
eligible retail customers of small multi-jurisdictional
electric utilities that (i) on December 31, 2005 served
less than 100,000 customers in Illinois and (ii) request a
procurement plan for their Illinois jurisdictional load.
This Section shall not apply to a small
multi-jurisdictional utility until such time as a small
multi-jurisdictional utility requests the Agency to
prepare a procurement plan for their Illinois
jurisdictional load. For the purposes of this Section, the
term "eligible retail customers" has the same definition as
found in Section 16-111.5(a) of the Public Utilities Act.

- (1) The Agency shall each year, beginning in 2008, as needed, issue a request for qualifications for experts or expert consulting firms to develop the procurement plans in accordance with Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act. In order to qualify an expert or expert consulting firm must have:
 - (A) direct previous experience assembling large-scale power supply plans or portfolios for end-use customers;
 - (B) an advanced degree in economics,

1	mathematics, engineering, risk management, or a
2	related area of study;
3	(C) 10 years of experience in the electricity
4	sector, including managing supply risk;
5	(D) expertise in wholesale electricity market
6	rules, including those established by the Federal
7	Energy Regulatory Commission and regional
8	transmission organizations;
9	(E) expertise in credit protocols and
10	familiarity with contract protocols;
11	(F) adequate resources to perform and fulfill
12	the required functions and responsibilities; and
13	(G) the absence of a conflict of interest and
14	inappropriate bias for or against potential
15	bidders or the affected electric utilities.
16	(2) The Agency shall each year, as needed, issue a
17	request for qualifications for a procurement
18	administrator to conduct the competitive procurement
19	processes in accordance with Section 16-111.5 of the
20	Public Utilities Act. In order to qualify an expert or
21	expert consulting firm must have:
22	(A) direct previous experience administering a
23	large-scale competitive procurement process;
24	(B) an advanced degree in economics,
25	mathematics, engineering, or a related area of
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1	(C) 10 years of experience in the electricity
2	sector, including risk management experience;
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- (D) expertise in wholesale electricity market rules, including those established by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and regional transmission organizations;
- (E) expertise in credit and contract protocols;
- (F) adequate resources to perform and fulfill the required functions and responsibilities; and
- (G) the absence of a conflict of interest and inappropriate bias for or against potential bidders or the affected electric utilities.
- (3) The Agency shall provide affected utilities and other interested parties with the lists of qualified experts or expert consulting firms identified through the request for qualifications processes that are under consideration to develop the procurement plans and to serve as the procurement administrator. The Agency shall also provide each qualified expert's or expert consulting firm's response to the request for qualifications. All information provided under this subparagraph shall also be provided to the Commission. The Agency may provide by rule for fees associated with supplying the information to utilities and other interested parties.

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These parties shall, within 5 business days, notify the
Agency in writing if they object to any experts or
expert consulting firms on the lists. Objections shall
be based on:

- (A) failure to satisfy qualification criteria;
- (B) identification of a conflict of interest;
- (C) evidence of inappropriate bias for or against potential bidders or the affected utilities.

Agency shall remove experts or expert The consulting firms from the lists within 10 days if there is a reasonable basis for an objection and provide the updated lists to the affected utilities and other interested parties. If the Agency fails to remove an expert or expert consulting firm from a list, an objecting party may seek review by the Commission within 5 days thereafter by filing a petition, and the Commission shall render a ruling on the petition within 10 days. There is no right of appeal of the Commission's ruling.

- (4) The Agency shall issue requests for proposals to the qualified experts or expert consulting firms to develop a procurement plan for the affected utilities and to serve as procurement administrator.
 - (5) The Agency shall select an expert or expert

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consulting firm to develop procurement plans based on the proposals submitted and shall award one-year contracts to those selected with an option for the Agency for a one-year renewal.

- (6) The Agency shall select an expert or expert consulting firm, with approval of the Commission, to serve as procurement administrator based on the proposals submitted. If the Commission rejects, within 5 days, the Agency's selection, the Agency shall submit another recommendation within 3 days based on the proposals submitted. The Agency shall award a one-year contract to the expert or expert consulting firm so selected with Commission approval with an option for the Agency for a one-year renewal.
- (a-5) The Planning and Procurement Bureau shall at least every 5 years beginning in 2012 develop feedstock procurement plans and conduct competitive feedstock procurement processes in accordance with the requirements of Section 1-79 of this Act.
 - (1) The Agency shall, at least once every 5 years beginning in 2012, issue a request for qualifications for experts or expert consulting firms to develop the feedstock procurement plans in accordance with Section 1-79 of this Act. In order to qualify, an expert or, in the case of an expert consulting firm, the individual who shall be directly responsible for the work, must have:

1	(A) direct previous experience assembling large
2	scale feedstock supply plans or portfolios involving
3	coal and natural gas for industrial customers;
4	(B) an advanced degree in economics, mathematics,
5	engineering, risk management, or a related area of
6	study;
7	(C) ten years of experience in the energy sector,
8	including coal and gas procurement and managing fuel
9	supply risk;
10	(D) expertise in the feedstock markets, which may
11	be particularized to the specific type of feedstock to
12	be purchased in that procurement event;
13	(E) expertise in credit protocols and familiarity
14	with contract protocols;
15	(F) adequate resources to perform and fulfill the
16	required functions and responsibilities; and
17	(G) the absence of a conflict of interest and
18	inappropriate bias for or against potential bidders or
19	the initial clean coal facility.
20	(2) The Agency shall at least every 5 years beginning
21	in 2012, as needed, issue a request for qualifications for
22	a feedstock procurement administrator to conduct the
23	competitive feedstock procurement processes in accordance
24	with Section 1-79 of this Act. In order to qualify, an
25	expert or, in the case of an expert consulting firm, the
26	individual who shall be directly responsible for the work,

1	<pre>must have:</pre>
2	(A) direct previous experience administering a
3	large scale competitive feedstock procurement process
4	involving coal and natural gas;
5	(B) an advanced degree in economics, mathematics,
6	engineering, or a related area of study;
7	(C) ten years of experience in the energy sector,
8	including coal and gas procurement and managing fuel
9	<pre>supply risk;</pre>
10	(D) expertise in feedstock market rules and
11	practices, which may be particularized to the specific
12	type of feedstock to be purchased in that procurement
13	event;
14	(E) expertise in credit and contract protocols;
15	(F) adequate resources to perform and fulfill the
16	required functions and responsibilities; and
17	(G) the absence of a conflict of interest and
18	inappropriate bias for or against potential bidders or
19	the initial clean coal facility.
20	(3) The Agency shall provide the initial clean coal
21	facility and other interested parties with the lists of
22	qualified experts or expert consulting firms identified
23	through the request for qualifications processes that are
24	under consideration to develop the feedstock procurement
25	plans and to serve as the feedstock procurement
26	administrator. The Agency shall also provide the initial

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clean coal facility and other interested parties with each
qualified expert's or expert consulting firm's response to
the request for qualifications. All information provided
under this subparagraph (3) shall also be provided to the
Commission. The Agency may provide by rule for fees
associated with supplying the information to the initial
clean coal facility and other interested parties. The
initial clean coal facility and other interested parties
shall, within 5 business days after receiving the lists and
information, notify the Agency in writing if they object to
any experts or expert consulting firms on the lists.
Objections shall be based on:

- (A) failure to satisfy qualification criteria;
- (B) identification of a conflict of interest; or
- (C) evidence of inappropriate bias for or against potential bidders or the initial clean coal facility.

The Agency shall remove experts or expert consulting firms from the lists within 10 days after receiving the objections if there is a reasonable basis for an objection and provide the updated lists to the initial clean coal facility and other interested parties. If the Agency fails to remove an expert or expert consulting firm from a list, then an objecting party may seek review by the Commission within 5 days thereafter by filing a petition, and the Commission shall render a ruling on the petition within 10 days. There is no right of appeal of the Commission's

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- (4) The Agency shall issue requests for proposals to the qualified experts or expert consulting firms to develop a feedstock procurement plan for the initial clean coal facility and to serve as feedstock procurement administrator.
- (5) The Agency shall select an expert or expert consulting firm to develop feedstock procurement plans based on the proposals submitted and shall award at least one-year contracts to those selected with an option for the Agency for renewal for an additional length of time equal to the term of the contract.
- (6) The Agency shall select, with approval of the Commission, an expert or expert consulting firm to serve as feedstock procurement administrator based on the proposals submitted. If the Commission rejects the Agency's selection within 5 days after being notified of the Agency's selection, then the Agency shall submit another recommendation within 3 days after the Commission's rejection based on the proposals submitted. The Agency shall award a 5-year contract to the expert or expert consulting firm so selected with Commission approval with an option for the Agency for a 5-year renewal.
- (b) The experts or expert consulting firms retained by the Agency under subsection (a) of this Section shall, as appropriate, prepare procurement plans, and conduct a

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competitive procurement process as prescribed in Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act, to ensure adequate, reliable, affordable, efficient, and environmentally sustainable electric service at the lowest total cost over time, taking into account any benefits of price stability, for eligible retail customers of electric utilities that on December 31, 2005 provided electric service to at least 100,000 customers in the State of Illinois, and for eligible Illinois retail customers of small multi-jurisdictional electric utilities that (i) December 31, 2005 served less than 100,000 customers in Illinois and (ii) request a procurement plan for their Illinois jurisdictional load.

(b-5) The experts or expert consulting firms retained by the Agency pursuant to subsection (a-5) of this Section shall, as appropriate, prepare feedstock procurement plans and conduct a competitive feedstock procurement process as prescribed in Section 1-79 of this Act to ensure adequate, reliable, affordable feedstocks, taking into account any benefits of price stability, for the initial clean coal facility.

- (c) Renewable portfolio standard.
- (1) The procurement plans under subsection (a) of this Section shall include cost-effective renewable energy resources. A minimum percentage of utility's total supply to serve the load of eligible

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retail customers, as defined in Section 16-111.5(a) of the Public Utilities Act, procured for each of the following years shall be generated from cost-effective renewable energy resources: at least 2% by June 1, 2008; at least 4% by June 1, 2009; at least 5% by June 1, 2010; at least 6% by June 1, 2011; at least 7% by June 1, 2012; at least 8% by June 1, 2013; at least 9% by June 1, 2014; at least 10% by June 1, 2015; and increasing by at least 1.5% each year thereafter to at least 25% by June 1, 2025. For periods beginning on and after June 1, 2012, the procurement plans shall include the procurement of <u>cost-effective</u> renewable energy credits equal to the projected kilowatthour usage of the delivery services non-eligible retail customers within the service area of the electric utility times the applicable renewable energy resource percentage for that year as set forth under this paragraph (1). To the extent that it is available, at least 75% of the renewable energy resources used to meet these standards shall come from wind generation and, beginning on June 1, 2011, at least the following percentages of the renewable energy resources used to meet these standards shall come from photovoltaics on the following schedule: 0.5% by June 1, 2012, 1.5% by June 1, 2013; 3% by June 1, 2014; and 6% by June 1, 2015 and thereafter. Of the renewable energy resources

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procured pursuant to this Section at least the following percentages shall come from distributed renewable energy generation devices: 0.5% by June 1, 2013, 0.75% by June 1, 2014, and 1% by June 1, 2015 and thereafter. To the extent available, half of the renewable energy resources procured from distributed renewable energy generation shall come from devices of less than 25 kilowatts in nameplate capacity. Renewable energy resources procured from distributed generation devices may also count towards the required percentages for wind and solar photovoltaics. Procurement of renewable energy resources from distributed renewable energy generation devices shall be done on an annual basis through multi-year contracts of no less than 5 years, and shall consist solely of renewable energy credits.

The Agency shall create credit requirements for suppliers of distributed renewable energy. In order to minimize the administrative burden on contracting entities, the Agency shall solicit the use of third-party organizations to aggregate distributed renewable energy into groups of no less than one megawatt in installed capacity. These third-party organizations shall administer contracts with individual distributed renewable energy generation device owners. An individual distributed renewable energy generation device owner shall have the

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ability to measure the output of his or her distributed renewable energy generation device. For purposes of this subsection (c), "cost-effective" means that the costs of procuring renewable energy resources to serve the load of the electric utility's eligible retail customers and the costs of procuring renewable energy credits with respect to the kilowatthour usage of the delivery services non-eligible retail customers within the electric utility's service area do not cause the applicable limits limit stated in paragraph (2) of this subsection (c) to be exceeded and do not exceed benchmarks based on market prices for renewable energy resources in the region, which shall be developed by the procurement administrator, in consultation with the Commission staff, Agency staff, and the procurement monitor and shall be subject to Commission review and approval.

(2) For purposes of this subsection (c), the required procurement of cost-effective renewable energy resources to serve the load of the electric utility's eligible retail customers for a particular year shall be measured as a percentage of the actual amount of electricity (megawatt-hours) supplied by the electric utility to eligible retail customers in the planning year ending immediately prior to procurement and, for periods beginning on and after June 1, 2012, the required procurement of cost

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effective renewable energy credits with respect to the delivery services non-eligible retail customers of the electric utility shall be based on the actual amount of electricity (megawatt-hours) delivered by the electric utility to delivery services non-eligible retail customers in its service area in the planning year ending immediately prior to the procurement. For purposes of this subsection (c), the amount paid per kilowatthour means the total amount paid for electric service expressed on a per kilowatthour basis. For purposes of this subsection (c), the total amount paid for electric service includes without limitation amounts paid for supply, transmission, distribution, surcharges, and add-on taxes.

Notwithstanding the requirements of this subsection (c), the total of renewable resources procured pursuant to the procurement plan with respect to the load of the electric utility's eligible retail customers for any single year shall be reduced by an amount necessary to limit the annual estimated average net increase due to the costs of these resources included in the amounts paid by eligible retail customers in connection with electric service to:

(A) in 2008, no more than 0.5% of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those customers during

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paid per kilowatthour by those customers during

the year ending May 31, 2007 or the incremental

1	the year ending May 31, 2007;
2	(B) in 2009, the greater of an additional 0.5%
3	of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those
4	customers during the year ending May 31, 2008 or 1%
5	of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those
6	customers during the year ending May 31, 2007;
7	(C) in 2010, the greater of an additional 0.5%
8	of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those
9	customers during the year ending May 31, 2009 or
10	1.5% of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those
11	customers during the year ending May 31, 2007;
12	(D) in 2011, the greater of an additional 0.5%
13	of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those
14	customers during the year ending May 31, 2010 or 2%
15	of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those
16	customers during the year ending May 31, 2007; and
17	(E) thereafter, the amount of renewable energy
18	resources procured pursuant to the procurement
19	plan for any single year shall be reduced by an
20	amount necessary to limit the estimated average
21	net increase due to the cost of these resources
22	included in the amounts paid by eligible retail
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24	no more than the greater of 2.015% of the amount

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amount per kilowatthour paid for these resources in 2011.

> For periods beginning on and after June 1, 2012, any excluded renewable energy resources contract costs shall be recoverable by the electric utility through its tariffed charges for delivery services pursuant to Section 16-108 of the Public Utilities Act to its residential class delivery services non-eligible retail customers.

> Notwithstanding the requirements of this subsection (c), for years beginning on and after June 1, 2012, the total amount of renewable energy credits procured pursuant to the procurement plan with respect to the kilowatthour usage of the delivery services non-eligible retail customers in the electric utility's service area shall be reduced by an amount necessary to limit the cost of renewable energy credits and excluded renewable energy resources costs included in the electric utility's charges per kilowatthour for delivery services to its delivery services non-eligible retail customers to an amount equal to no more than 2.015% of the amount paid by the electric utility's eligible retail customers per kilowatthour for electric service during the year ended May 31, 2007.

No later than June 30, 2011, the Commission shall

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review the limitation on the amount of renewable energy resources procured pursuant to this subsection (c) and report to the General Assembly its findings as to whether that limitation unduly constrains the of cost-effective renewable energy procurement resources.

(3) (Blank). Through June 1, 2011, renewable energy resources shall be counted for the purpose of meeting the renewable energy standards set forth in paragraph (1) of this subsection (c) only if they are generated from facilities located in the State, that cost-effective renewable resources are available from those facilities. those cost effective resources are not available Illinois, they shall be procured in states that adjoin Illinois and may be counted towards compliance. If those cost effective resources are not available in Illinois or in states that adjoin Illinois, they shall be purchased elsewhere and shall be counted towards compliance. After June 1, 2011, cost-effective renewable energy resources located in Illinois and in states that adjoin Illinois may be counted towards compliance with the standards set forth in paragraph (1) of this subsection (c). If those cost-effective resources are not available in Illinois or in states that adjoin Illinois, they shall be purchased

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and shall be counted towards compliance.

- The electric utility shall retire (4)all renewable energy credits used to comply with standard.
- (5) Beginning with the year commencing June 1, 2010, and ending with the year commencing June 1, 2011, an electric utility subject to this subsection (c) shall apply the lesser of the maximum alternative compliance payment rate or the most recent estimated alternative compliance payment rate for its service territory for the corresponding compliance period, established pursuant to subsection (d) of Section 16-115D of the Public Utilities Act to its retail customers that take service pursuant to the electric utility's hourly pricing tariff or tariffs. electric utility shall retain all amounts collected as result of the application of the alternative compliance payment rate or rates to such customers, and, beginning in 2011, the utility shall include in the information provided under item (1) of subsection (d) of Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act the amounts collected under the alternative compliance payment rate or rates for the prior year ending May 31. Notwithstanding any limitation on the procurement of renewable energy resources imposed by item (2) of this subsection (c), the Agency shall increase its spending

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on the purchase of renewable energy resources to be procured by the electric utility for the next plan year by an amount equal to the amounts collected by the utility under the alternative compliance payment rate or rates in the prior year ending May 31. For years commencing on and after June 1, 2012, the kilowatthours supplied by the electric utility to its retail customers that take service pursuant to the electric utility's hourly pricing tariff or tariffs shall be considered usage of delivery services non-eligible retail customers.

(6) Each annual procurement plan for periods beginning on and after June 1, 2012 shall include (i) the procurement of electricity from cost-effective renewable energy resources to meet the renewable energy resource requirements specified in paragraph (2) of this subsection (c) with respect to the load of the electric utility's eligible retail customers and (ii) the procurement of renewable energy credits to meet the renewable energy resource requirements specified in paragraph (2) of this subsection (c) with respect to the kilowatthour usage of the electric utility's delivery services non-eligible retail customers; provided that the electric utility's obligation to purchase renewable energy credits with respect to the kilowatthour usage of delivery services non-eligible retail customers shall be reduced by the

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amount of any purchases of renewable energy credits by the Agency for the year in respect of the electric utility's service area pursuant to Section 1-56 of this Act using the Illinois Power Agency Renewable Energy Resources Fund. All procurements of bundled renewable energy resources and renewable energy credits in the procurement plans of the electric utilities shall be pursuant to competitive bidding processes and shall be approved by the Commission pursuant to Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act. Procurements of bundled renewable energy resources shall used to secure supply from renewable energy assets that can provide monthly energy quantity guarantees for peak and off-peak wrap periods. Projects shall be chosen based on the value of the energy procured. The value of the energy shall be determined by the Agency by utilizing a "time of day" methodology to evaluate the energy profile of each project.

- (d) Clean coal portfolio standard.
- (1) The General Assembly finds that there are abundant and cost-effective supplies of high volatile rank bituminous coal with a sulfur content of at least 1.7 pounds per million btu energy content, and that it is technologically feasible to produce electric energy using such coal supplies reliably. The General Assembly further finds that state-of-the-art gasification systems are available to convert coal supplies with the foregoing

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characteristics into gas and that it is feasible to use such gas to generate electric energy without exceeding allowable emission rates for sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, particulates, and mercury for a natural gas-fired combined-cycle facility of the same size as and in the same location as a clean coal facility incorporating a gasification system and a combined cycle power block. The General Assembly also finds that it is feasible to engineer and construct systems designed to capture and sequester the percentages of the carbon dioxide emissions from clean coal facilities as specified in this Act. Accordingly, the General Assembly finds it necessary for the health, safety, welfare, and prosperity of Illinois citizens to require Illinois electric utilities and alternative retail electric suppliers to contract with the initial clean coal facility to meet a portion of the needs of each such electric utility's and alternative retail electric supplier's retail load on the terms and conditions described under this Act.

The procurement plans under subsection (a) of this Section shall include electricity generated using clean coal. Each electric utility shall enter into one or more sourcing agreements with the initial clean coal facility, as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection (d), covering electricity generated by the initial clean coal facility representing (A) at least 5% of that each

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utility's total supply to serve the load of eligible retail customers in the immediately preceding year 2015 and each year thereafter, as described in paragraph (3) of this subsection (d), or (B) such lesser amount as may be available from the initial clean coal facility, reduced by subject to the limits on the amount of power to be purchased specified in paragraph (2) of this subsection (d). It is the goal of the State that by January 1, 2025, 25% of the electricity used in the State shall be generated by cost-effective clean coal facilities. For purposes of this subsection (d), "cost-effective" means that the expenditures pursuant to such sourcing agreements do not cause the limit stated in paragraph (2) of this subsection (d) to be exceeded and do not exceed cost-based benchmarks, which shall be developed to assess all expenditures pursuant to such sourcing agreements covering electricity generated by clean coal facilities, other than the initial clean coal facility, by the procurement administrator, in consultation with the Commission staff, Agency staff, and the procurement monitor and shall be subject to Commission review and approval.

- (A) A utility party to a sourcing agreement shall immediately retire any emission credits that receives in connection with the electricity covered by such agreement.
 - Utilities shall maintain adequate records (B)

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documenting the purchases under the sourcing agreement to comply with this subsection (d) and shall file an accounting with the load forecast that must be filed with the Agency by July 15 of each year, in accordance with subsection (d) of Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act.

- (C) A utility shall be deemed to have complied with the clean coal portfolio standard specified in this subsection (d) if the utility enters into a sourcing agreement as required by this subsection (d).
- (2) For purposes of this subsection (d), the required execution of sourcing agreements with the initial clean coal facility for a particular year shall be measured as a percentage of the actual amount of electricity (megawatt-hours) supplied by the electric utility to eligible retail customers in the immediately preceding year planning year ending immediately prior to the agreement's execution. For purposes of this subsection (d), the amount paid per kilowatthour means the total amount paid for electric service expressed on a per kilowatthour basis. For purposes of this subsection (d), the total amount paid for electric service includes without limitation amounts paid for supply, transmission, distribution, surcharges and add-on taxes.

Notwithstanding the requirements of this subsection (d), the total amount purchased paid under sourcing

1	agreements with $\underline{\text{the initial clean coal facility}}$ $\underline{\text{clean coal}}$
2	facilities pursuant to the procurement plan for any given
3	year shall be reduced by an amount necessary to limit the
4	annual estimated average net increase due to the costs of
5	these resources included in the amounts paid by eligible
6	retail customers in connection with electric service to:
7	(A) in 2010, no more than 0.5% of the amount
8	paid per kilowatthour by those customers during
9	the year ending May 31, 2009;
10	(B) in 2011, the greater of an additional 0.5%
11	of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those
12	customers during the year ending May 31, 2010 or 1%
13	of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those
14	customers during the year ending May 31, 2009;
15	(C) in 2012, the greater of an additional 0.5%
16	of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those
17	customers during the year ending May 31, 2011 or
18	1.5% of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those
19	customers during the year ending May 31, 2009;
20	(D) in 2013, the greater of an additional 0.5%
21	of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those
22	customers during the year ending May 31, 2012 or 2%
23	of the amount paid per kilowatthour by those
24	customers during the year ending May 31, 2009; and
25	(E) thereafter <u>:</u>

(i) A calculation shall be made for each year to determine

1	whether , the total amount paid under sourcing
2	agreements with clean coal facilities pursuant to
3	the procurement plan for any single year shall be
4	reduced by an amount necessary to limit the
5	estimated average net per kilowatthour increase
6	due to the cost of <u>electric power purchased under</u>
7	sourcing agreements and these resources included
8	in the amounts paid by small electric eligible
9	retail customers in connection with electric
10	service <u>exceeds</u> to no more than the greater of (i)
11	2.015% of the amount paid per kilowatthour by
12	eligible retail those customers during the year
13	ending May 31, 2009 or (ii) the incremental amount
14	per kilowatthour paid for these resources in 2013.
15	These requirements may be altered only as provided
16	by statute. For purposes of such calculation, such
17	average net per kilowatthour increase in rates of
18	small electric customers that are not eligible
19	retail customers shall be deemed to be equal to
20	such average net per kilowatthour increase in
21	rates of eligible retail customers.
22	(ii) If for any year the small customer rate
23	impact would exceed the limitation described in
24	item (i) of this subparagraph (E), the clean coal
25	fraction for each clean coal electricity buyer
26	shall be adjusted for such year in a manner that

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will result in (a) the quantity of electric power projected to be purchased by each clean coal electricity buyer being reduced by an amount sufficient to result in such deemed rate impact on all small electric customers (whether served by electric utilities or alternative retail electric suppliers) being equal to such limitation for such year and (b) any such reductions in amounts allocated to the clean coal electricity buyers in order to achieve the objective described in clause (a) of this item (ii) being allocated to, and purchased and paid for by, the clean coal electricity buyers in proportion to their retail sales to large electric customers.

(iii) Each year, after taking account of the adjustment, if any, provided for in item (ii) of this subparagraph (E), a calculation shall be made to determine whether the large customer deemed rate impact for such year exceeds \$0.005 per kilowatthour. The "large customer deemed rate impact" for any year is the projected increase in electric rates of large electric customers (whether served by electric utilities or alternative retail electric suppliers) due to the cost of electric power purchased under sourcing agreements to the extent it is based on each clean

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coal electricity buyer's retail sales to large electric customers, which shall be calculated in substantially the same manner as the calculation of rate impact on small electric customers, and shall assume that such cost of purchases under sourcing agreements is passed through proportionally by the clean coal electricity buyers to their large electric customers. The calculation of the large customer deemed rate impact shall (a) assume that the total retail sales (expressed in kilowatthours sold) to large electric customers by all clean coal electricity buyers for any year is the greater of the actual amount of such sales in such year and the amount of such sales in 2009 and (b) exclude from the calculation any actual costs for such year incurred by the initial clean coal facility to the extent such costs exceed the corresponding amount assumed in the "reference case" of the facility cost report for the initial clean coal facility for such year and are not principally within the reasonable control of the initial clean coal facility. Any operating costs or revenues deviating from

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clean coal facility as a result of changes in market prices, including, but not limited to, prices of coal, natural gas, electricity, by-products, and emissions allowances, shall be deemed to be outside of the reasonable control of the initial clean coal facility and excluded from the calculation.

Any costs exceeding the corresponding costs assumed in the "reference case" of the facility cost report for the initial clean coal facility as a result of changes in capital costs, fixed operating costs, variable operating costs, operating efficiency, and availability, except in each case to the extent resulting from a change in market prices, as described in the immediately preceding paragraph, or from a change in law, as <u>defined in subsection (b) of Section 1-76 of this</u> Act, shall be deemed to be within the reasonable control of the initial clean coal facility and included in the calculation.

(iv) If for any year the large customer deemed rate impact would exceed the limitation described in item (iii) of this subparagraph (E), the quantity of electric power required to be purchased by each clean coal electricity buyer that serves large electric customers under its

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sourcing agreement for such year shall be reduced by such amount as will result in the large customer deemed rate impact being equal to such limitation for such year, and the clean coal fractions of each clean coal electricity buyer that serves large electric customers shall be adjusted for such year to reflect this reduction; provided, however, that the reduction under this item (iv) shall not exceed in any year an amount that would result in revenues under the sourcing agreements being reduced by more than \$50,000,000 in the aggregate for such year. Any quantities of electric power not required to be purchased pursuant to the operation of the immediately preceding sentence may be disposed of by the initial clean coal facility for its own account, and the proceeds of any sales of such electric power shall not be included in the formula rate.

The details of the calculations contemplated by this subparagraph (E) shall be set forth in the sourcing agreements.

(vi) No later than June 30, 2016 2015, the Commission shall review the limitation on the total amount purchased paid under sourcing agreements, if any, with the initial clean coal facility facilities pursuant to this subsection

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(d) and report to the General Assembly its findings as to the effect of the whether that limitation on the initial clean coal facility, electric utilities, alternative retail electric suppliers, and customers of the electric utilities and the alternative retail electric suppliers constrains the amount of electricity generated by cost effective clean coal facilities covered by sourcing agreements.

(3) Initial clean coal facility. In order to promote the use development of clean coal electric power facilities in Illinois, each electric utility subject to this Section shall execute a sourcing agreement to source electricity from the initial clean coal facility. The Agency shall accept applications to be designated the initial clean coal facility for a period of 30 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly. Each application shall include a proposed sourcing agreement in accordance with the requirements of this paragraph (3) and information showing that the applicant meets the other criteria set out in the definition of initial clean coal facility provided in Section 1-10 of this Act. In the event that only one proposed initial clean coal facility that meets each of the requirements submits a proposed sourcing agreement to the Agency within that time period, the Agency shall select such proposed initial clean coal facility as

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the initial clean coal facility. In the event that more than one proposed initial clean coal facility that meets each of the requirements submit a proposed sourcing agreement to the Agency within that time period, the Agency shall select as the initial clean coal facility the electric generating facility that the Agency determines best promotes the needs and interests of the citizens of the State of Illinois. In making such determination, the Agency shall take into account for each proposed initial clean coal facility the technical and economic feasibility of such facility, including access to capital and the financeability of the facility based upon the proposed sourcing agreement, the projected environmental performance of such facility, the ability of such facility to be dispatched to support the transmission grid's capability to integrate with wind, solar, and other intermittent resources, and the reliability and cost of electric transmission service from the facility to the electric utilities. The Agency shall announce the designation of the initial clean coal facility within 45 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly. a proposed clean coal facility in Illinois (the "initial clean coal facility") that will have a nameplate capacity of at least 500 MW when commercial commences, that has a final the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th

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General Assembly, and that will meet the definition of clean coal facility in Section 1-10 of this Act when commercial operation commences. The sourcing agreements with this initial clean coal facility shall be subject to both approval of the initial clean coal facility by the General Assembly and satisfaction of the requirements of paragraph (4) of this subsection (d) and shall be executed within 90 days after any such approval by the General Assembly. The Agency and the Commission shall have authority to inspect all books and records associated with the initial clean coal facility during the term of such a sourcing agreement. A utility's sourcing agreement for electricity produced by the initial clean coal facility shall include:

- provisions governing the price paid for (A) electricity generated by the initial clean coal facility, which shall be determined according to clause (iv) of subparagraph (B) of this paragraph (3); a formula contractual price (the "contract price") approved pursuant to paragraph (4) of this subsection (d), which shall:
 - (i) be determined using a cost of service methodology employing either a level or deferred capital recovery component, based on a capital structure consisting of 45% equity and 55% debt, and a return on equity as may be approved by the

1	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, which in any
2	case may not exceed the lower of 11.5% or the rate
3	of return approved by the General Assembly
4	pursuant to paragraph (4) of this subsection (d);
5	and
6	(ii) provide that all miscellaneous net
7	revenue, including but not limited to net revenue
8	from the sale of emission allowances, if any,
9	substitute natural gas, if any, grants or other
10	support provided by the State of Illinois or the
11	United States Government, firm transmission
12	rights, if any, by-products produced by the
13	facility, energy or capacity derived from the
14	facility and not covered by a sourcing agreement
15	pursuant to paragraph (3) of this subsection (d) or
16	item (5) of subsection (d) of Section 16 115 of the
17	Public Utilities Act, whether generated from the
18	synthesis gas derived from coal, from SNG, or from
19	natural gas, shall be credited against the revenue
20	requirement for this initial clean coal facility;
21	(B) power purchase provisions, which shall:
22	(i) provide that the utility party to the
23	sourcing agreement shall pay the contract price
24	under such sourcing agreement determined pursuant
25	to subparagraph (A);
26	(ii) require delivery of electricity by the

1	initial clean coal facility to the regional
2	transmission organization market of the utility
3	party to the sourcing agreement;
4	(iii) require the utility party to the
5	sourcing agreement to buy from the initial clean
6	coal facility in each hour an amount of energy
7	equal to all clean coal energy made available from
8	the initial clean coal facility during such hour
9	times the clean coal fraction for such utility for
10	the applicable month, provided that the amount
11	purchased by the utility in any year will be
12	<pre>limited by paragraph (2) of this subsection (d);</pre>
13	(iv) require the utility party to the sourcing
14	agreement to pay to the initial clean coal facility
15	for each month the following: the electric
16	generation variable charge multiplied by the
17	quantity of energy required to be purchased by such
18	utility in such month plus the product of the sum
19	of the fuel charge plus the fixed monthly charge,
20	based on the MW of nameplate capacity of the
21	initial clean coal facility's power block, for
22	such month, multiplied by the fraction determined
23	for the utility for such month according to clause
24	(iii) of this subparagraph (B); for purposes of
25	this clause (iv), "electric generation variable
26	charge", "fuel charge", and "fixed monthly charge"

1	shall each have the meaning ascribed to the term in
2	subsection (a) of Section 1-76 of this Act; and
3	(v) be considered pre-existing contracts in
4	the utility's procurement plans for eligible
5	retail customers; The provisions of this
6	subparagraph (B) are severable under Section 1.31
7	of the Statute on Statutes.
8	(B) power purchase provisions, which shall:
9	(i) provide that the utility party to such
10	sourcing agreement shall pay the contract price
11	for electricity delivered under such sourcing
12	agreement;
13	(ii) require delivery of electricity to the
14	regional transmission organization market of the
15	utility that is party to such sourcing agreement;
16	(iii) require the utility party to such
17	sourcing agreement to buy from the initial clean
18	coal facility in each hour an amount of energy
19	equal to all clean coal energy made available from
20	the initial clean coal facility during such hour
21	times a fraction, the numerator of which is such
22	utility's retail market sales of electricity
23	(expressed in kilowatthours sold) in the State
24	during the prior calendar month and the
25	denominator of which is the total retail market
26	sales of electricity (expressed in kilowatthours

sold) in the State by utilities during such prior
month and the sales of electricity (expressed in
kilowatthours sold) in the State by alternative
retail electric suppliers during such prior month
that are subject to the requirements of this
subsection (d) and paragraph (5) of subsection (d)
of Section 16 115 of the Public Utilities Act,
provided that the amount purchased by the utility
in any year will be limited by paragraph (2) of
this subsection (d); and
(iv) be considered pre-existing contracts in

(C) contract for differences provisions, which shall:

retail customers;

such utility's procurement plans for eligible

(i) require the utility party to such sourcing agreement to contract with the initial clean coal facility in each hour with respect to an amount of energy equal to all clean coal energy made available from the initial clean coal facility during such hour times the clean coal $\frac{1}{2}$ fraction for such utility for applicable month, the numerator of which is such utility's retail market sales of electricity (expressed in kilowatthours sold) in the utility's service territory in the State during the prior calendar month and the

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denominator of which is the total retail market. sales of electricity (expressed in kilowatthours sold) in the State by utilities during such prior month and the sales of electricity (expressed in kilowatthours sold) in the State by alternative retail electric suppliers during such prior month that are subject to the requirements of this subsection (d) and paragraph (5) of subsection (d) of Section 16-115 of the Public Utilities Act, provided that the amount purchased paid by the utility in any year will be limited by paragraph (2) of this subsection (d);

(ii) provide that the utility's payment obligation in respect of the quantity of electricity determined pursuant to the preceding clause (i) for any month shall be limited to an amount equal to (1) the difference of the electric generation variable charge, the fuel charge, and the fixed monthly charge, that would be payable by the utility for such month based on such quantity of electricity between the contract price determined pursuant to <u>clause (iv) of</u> subparagraph (B) $\frac{A}{A}$ of this paragraph (3), minus the product of (1) of this subsection (d) and the day-ahead price for electricity delivered to the regional transmission organization market of the electric

utility that is party to such sourcing agreement
(or any successor delivery point at which such
utility's supply obligations are financially
settled on an hourly basis) (the "reference
price") on the day preceding the day on which the
electricity is delivered to the initial clean coal
facility busbar, multiplied by (2) the quantity of
electricity determined pursuant to the preceding
clause (i), calculated for each hour in such month;
and
(iii) not require the utility to take physical

- delivery of the electricity produced by the facility;
- (D) general provisions, which shall:
- (i) specify a term of no more than 30 years, commencing on the commercial operation date of the facility;
- (ii) provide that <u>electric</u> utilities shall maintain adequate records documenting purchases under the sourcing agreements entered into to comply with this subsection (d) and shall file an accounting with the load forecast that must be filed with the Agency by July 15 of each year, in accordance with subsection (d) of Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act.
 - (iii) provide that all costs associated with

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initial clean coal facility will the periodically reported to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and to purchasers accordance with applicable laws governing cost-based wholesale power contracts;

(iv) permit the Illinois Power Agency, if it is so authorized by law, to assume ownership of the initial clean coal facility, without monetary consideration and otherwise on reasonable terms acceptable to the Agency, if the Agency so requests no less than 3 years prior to the end of the stated contract term:

(v) require the owner of the initial clean coal facility to comply with provisions reflecting those set forth in Section 1-76.5 of this Act; provide documentation to the Commission each year, starting in the facility's first year of commercial operation, accurately reporting the quantity of carbon emissions from the facility that have been captured and sequestered and report any quantities of carbon released from the site or sites at which carbon emissions were sequestered in prior years, based on continuous monitoring of such sites. If, in any year after the first year of commercial operation, the owner of the facility fails to demonstrate that the initial clean coal

facility captured and sequestered at least 50% of 1 the total carbon emissions that the facility would 2 3 otherwise emit or that sequestration of emissions from prior years has failed, resulting in the 4 5 release of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, the owner of the facility must offset excess 6 emissions. Any such carbon offsets must be 7 permanent, additional, verifiable, real, located 8 9 within the State of Illinois, and legally and 10 practicably enforceable. The cost of such offsets for the facility that are not recoverable shall not 11 exceed \$15 million in any given year. No costs of 12 13 any such purchases of carbon offsets may be recovered from a utility or its customers. All 14 carbon offsets purchased for this purpose and any 15 carbon emission credits associated with 16 sequestration of carbon from the facility must be 17 permanently retired. The initial clean coal 18 facility shall not forfeit its designation as a 19 20 clean coal facility if the facility fails to fully 2.1 comply with the applicable carbon sequestration requirements in any given year, provided the 22 23 requisite offsets are purchased. However, the 24 Attorney General, on behalf of the People of the 2.5 State of Illinois, may specifically enforce the 26 facility's sequestration requirement and the other

terms of this contract provision. Compliance with
the sequestration requirements and offset purchase
requirements specified in paragraph (3) of this
subsection (d) shall be reviewed annually by an
independent expert retained by the owner of the
initial clean coal facility, with the advance
written approval of the Attorney General. The
Commission may, in the course of the review
specified in item (vii), reduce the allowable
return on equity for the facility if the facility
wilfully fails to comply with the carbon capture
and sequestration requirements set forth in this
item (v);
(vi) include limits on, and accordingly
provide for <u>a reduction</u> $\frac{\text{modification}}{\text{modification}}$ of, the
amount the utility is required to source under the
sourcing agreement consistent with paragraph (2)
of this subsection (d);
(vii) require Commission review: (1) to
determine the justness, reasonableness, and
prudence of the inputs to the formula referenced in
subparagraphs (A) (i) through (A) (iii) of paragraph
(3) of this subsection (d), prior to an adjustment

in those inputs including, without limitation, the

capital structure and return on equity, fuel

costs, and other operations and maintenance costs

1	and (2) to approve the costs to be passed through
2	to customers under the sourcing agreement by which
3	the utility satisfies its statutory obligations.
4	Commission review shall occur no less than every 3
5	years, regardless of whether any adjustments have
6	been proposed, and shall be completed within 9
7	months;
8	(vii) (viii) limit the utility's obligation to
9	such amount as the utility is allowed to recover
10	through tariffs filed with the Commission $_{m{ au}}$
11	provided that neither the clean coal facility nor
12	the utility waives any right to assert federal
13	pre-emption or any other argument in response to a
14	purported disallowance of recovery costs;
15	(viii) (ix) limit the utility's or alternative
16	retail electric supplier's obligation to incur any
17	liability to only those times after until such time
18	as the facility is in commercial operation and
19	generating power and energy and such power and
20	energy is being delivered to the facility busbar;
21	(ix) provide that each electric utility shall
22	have the right to determine whether the
23	obligations of the utility party under the
24	sourcing agreement shall be governed by the power
25	purchase provisions or the contract for
26	differences provisions before entering into the

1	sourcing agreements; the provisions of this item
2	(ix) are severable under Section 1.31 of the
3	Statute on Statutes;
4	(x) provide that the owner or owners of the
5	initial clean coal facility, which is the
6	counterparty to such sourcing agreement, shall
7	have the right from time to time to elect whether
8	the obligations of the utility party thereto shall
9	be governed by the power purchase provisions or the
10	contract for differences provisions;
11	$\underline{\text{(x)}}$ $\underline{\text{(xi)}}$ append documentation showing that the
12	formula rate and contract, insofar as they relate
13	to the power purchase provisions, have been
14	approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory
15	Commission pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal
16	Power Act;
17	$\underline{\text{(xi)}}$ $\underline{\text{(xii)}}$ provide that any changes to the
18	terms of the contract, insofar as such changes
19	relate to the power purchase provisions, are
20	subject to review under the public interest
21	standard applied by the Federal Energy Regulatory
22	Commission pursuant to Sections 205 and 206 of the
23	Federal Power Act; and
24	(xii) (xiii) conform with customary lender
25	requirements in power purchase agreements used as
26	the basis for financing non-utility generators:

1	(xiii) provide for performance incentives
2	regarding availability, efficiency, and by-product
3	quantities, with premium performance and
4	shortfalls in performance to result in positive
5	and negative adjustments, respectively, to the
6	rate of return approved by the Commission,
7	provided that such rate of return in any year shall
8	not be decreased by more than \$25,000,000 or
9	increased by more than \$12,500,000 as a result of
10	such performance incentives. Such performance
11	incentives shall be structured so that any
12	increases in the rate of return as a result of such
13	performance incentives are designed not to exceed
14	the projected benefits to the buyers resulting
15	from the initial clean coal facility's achievement
16	of that performance incentive;
17	(xiv) include forecasting and scheduling
18	obligations that take account of the requirements
19	of the applicable regional transmission
20	organizations;
21	(xv) include operating guidelines relating to
22	the operating configuration and dispatch of the
23	initial clean coal facility, which guidelines
24	shall be subject to change from time to time with
25	input from a committee consisting of
26	representatives of the electric utilities and

alternative retail electric suppliers that are 1 2 parties to sourcing agreements with the initial 3 clean coal facility; such operating guidelines 4 shall take account the initial clean coal 5 facility's obligations under any agreement for the purchase of SNG entered into pursuant to item (xvi) 6 7 of this subparagraph (D) and shall be based on 8 principles of economic dispatch and the assumption 9 that the variable cost of SNG purchased pursuant to 10 such agreement is equal to the market price of natural gas delivered to the initial clean coal 11 12 facility; any actions taken or not taken by the 13 owner of the initial clean coal facility in 14 compliance with such operating guidelines shall be 15 deemed to be prudent, and the prudence of the costs resulting from the action shall be evaluated in 16 light of the fact that the initial clean coal 17 facility is required to comply with such operating 18 19 quidelines; and 20 (xvi) authorize the initial clean coal 2.1 facility to enter into an agreement with a clean 22 coal SNG facility or a clean coal SNG brownfield 23 facility for the purchase by the initial clean coal 24 facility during all or part of the term of the 25 sourcing agreement a quantity of SNG produced by 26 such clean coal SNG facility or clean coal SNG

brownfield facility each year up to the lesser of 1 2 (x) the initial clean coal facility's requirements 3 for imported methane in such year and (y) 16% of 4 the SNG produced by such clean coal SNG facility or 5 clean coal SNG brownfield facility during such 6 year at a delivered price to be set forth in such 7 agreement; such agreement shall provide for the 8 timing of gas deliveries in a manner that 9 reasonably accommodates the initial clean coal 10 facility's fuel requirements and generation schedule; the parties to such agreement may, if 11 12 they mutually agree, structure such agreement as a financial settlement arrangement for 13 the 14 quantities of SNG set forth above, and such 15 arrangement shall be deemed to be an agreement contemplated by this item (xvi); the form for such 16 17 agreement shall be subject to approval by the Agency pursuant to a procedure substantially the 18 19 same as that provided in paragraph (4) of this 20 subsection (d) for the sourcing agreements, with 2.1 the clean coal SNG facility or clean coal SNG 22 brownfield facility participating in place of each 23 electric utility, and pursuant to a schedule to be 24 proposed by the initial clean coal facility and 25 approved by the Agency. 26 (4) Effective date of sourcing agreements with the

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initial clean coal facility. No later than 30 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, the initial clean coal facility shall submit a draft sourcing agreement to the Agency and each electric utility required to enter into such agreements pursuant to paragraph (3) of this subsection and the initial clean coal facility and each such electric utility shall promptly and diligently negotiate in good faith over the terms of the sourcing agreement. Within 30 days after receipt of the draft sourcing agreement, each such electric utility shall provide the Agency and the owner of the initial clean coal facility with its comments and recommended revisions to the draft sourcing agreement. Within 15 days after the receipt of the electric utility's comments and recommended revisions, the owner of the initial clean coal facility shall submit its responsive comments and a further revised draft of the sourcing agreement to the Agency. The Agency shall review the draft sourcing agreement and comments and retain an independent, qualified, and experienced mediator to mediate disputes over the draft sourcing agreement's terms. The mediator shall not own or control any direct or indirect interest in the initial clean coal facility and shall have no contractual relationship with the initial clean coal facility. The mediator shall have knowledge of the energy industry.

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If the parties to the sourcing agreement do not agree on the terms in the sourcing agreement within 15 days after receiving the owner's responsive comments and further revised draft, then the mediator retained by the Agency shall mediate the dispute between the parties. If the parties are in agreement on the terms of the sourcing agreement, then the Agency shall approve the final draft sourcing agreement within 30 days after the parties reach agreement and notify the Commission of that agreement. If, within 30 days after the commencement of mediation, the parties have failed to come to agreement, then the Agency shall, with assistance, as appropriate, from the mediator retained pursuant to this paragraph (4), review and revise the draft sourcing agreement as necessary.

The Agency may approve a sourcing agreement only after it finds the sourcing agreement is consistent with the provisions of this Act and contains only terms that are balanced and equitable and fairly protect the interests of the parties to the sourcing agreement, with such approval to occur no later than 60 days after the commencement of the mediation. The Agency shall not withhold or condition its approval of the sourcing agreement based upon least cost resource principles or whether or not it would be prudent for buyers to enter into such an agreement if there were no legal requirement to do so, nor shall the resolution of open issues be based on these principles.

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If the sourcing agreement is approved, then each electric utility required to enter into a sourcing agreement shall have 30 days after either the Agency's approval or the issuance of any necessary approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, whichever is later, to enter into the sourcing agreement. The Agency shall submit the approved sourcing agreement to the Commission within 15 days after approval. Each electric utility and the initial clean coal facility shall pay a reasonable fee as required by the Agency for its services under this paragraph (4) and shall pay the mediator's reasonable fees, if any. The Agency shall adopt and make public a policy detailing the process for retaining a mediator under this paragraph (4).

(4) Effective date of sourcing agreements with the initial clean coal facility. Any proposed sourcing agreement with the initial clean coal facility shall not become effective unless a facility cost report and Commission report, as described in this paragraph (4), the following reports are prepared and submitted, whether prepared and submitted before or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly. - and authorizations and approvals obtained:

(i) Facility cost report. The owner of the initial clean coal facility shall submit to the Commission, the Agency, and the General Assembly a front-end engineering

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and design study, a facility cost report, method of financing (including but not limited to structure and associated costs), and an operating and maintenance cost for the facility (collectively "facility cost report"), which shall be prepared in accordance with the requirements of this paragraph (4) of subsection (d) of this Section, and shall provide the Commission and the Agency access to the work papers, relied upon documents, and any other backup documentation related to the facility cost report.

(ii) Commission report. Within 6 months following receipt of the facility cost report, the Commission, in consultation with the Agency, shall submit a Commission report to the General Assembly setting forth its analysis of the facility cost report. Such report shall include, but not be limited to, a comparison of the costs associated with electricity generated by the initial clean coal facility to the costs associated with electricity generated by other types of generation facilities, an analysis of the rate impacts on residential and small business customers over the life of the sourcing agreements, and an analysis of the likelihood that the initial clean coal facility will commence commercial operation by and be delivering power to the facility's busbar by 2016. To assist in the preparation of its report, the Commission, in consultation with the Agency, may hire

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one or more experts or consultants, the costs of which shall be paid for by the owner of the initial clean coal facility. The Commission and Agency may begin the process of selecting such experts or consultants prior to receipt of the facility cost report.

> (iii) General Assembly approval. The proposed sourcing agreements shall not take effect unless, based on the facility cost report and the Commission's report, the General Assembly enacts authorizing legislation approving (A) the projected price, stated in cents per kilowatthour, to be charged for electricity generated by the initial clean coal facility, (B) the projected on residential and small business customers' bills over the life of the sourcing agreements, and (C) the maximum allowable return on equity for the project; and

> (iv) Commission review. If the General Assembly enacts authorizing legislation pursuant to subparagraph (iii) approving a sourcing agreement, the Commission shall, within 90 days of such enactment, complete a review of such sourcing agreement. During such time period, the Commission shall implement any directive of the General Assembly, resolve any disputes between the parties to the sourcing agreement concerning the terms of

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The facility cost report shall be prepared as follows:

- (A) The facility cost report shall be prepared by duly licensed engineering and construction firms detailing the estimated capital costs payable to one or more contractors or suppliers for the engineering, procurement and construction of the components comprising the initial clean coal facility and the estimated costs of operation and maintenance of the facility. The facility cost report shall include:
 - (i) an estimate of the capital cost of the core plant based on one or more front end engineering and design studies for the gasification island and related facilities. The core plant shall include all civil, structural, mechanical, electrical, control, and safety systems ; and-
 - (ii) an estimate of the capital cost of the balance of the plant, including any capital costs associated with sequestration of carbon dioxide emissions and all interconnects and interfaces required to operate the facility, transmission of electricity, construction backfeed power supply, pipelines to transport substitute natural gas or carbon dioxide, potable

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water supply, natural gas supply, water supply, water discharge, landfill, access roads, and coal delivery.

> In the facility cost report, the The quoted construction costs shall be expressed in nominal dollars as of the date that the quote is prepared and shall include (1) capitalized financing costs during construction, $\frac{(2)}{(2)}$ taxes, insurance, and other owner's costs, and $\frac{(3)}{(3)}$ an assumed escalation in materials and labor beyond the date as of which the construction cost quote is expressed.

- (B) In the facility cost report, the The front end engineering and design study for the gasification island and the cost study for the balance of plant shall include sufficient design work to permit quantification of major categories of materials, commodities and labor hours, and receipt of quotes from vendors of major equipment required to construct and operate the clean coal facility.
- (C) The facility cost report shall also include an operating and maintenance cost quote that will provide the estimated cost of delivered fuel, personnel, maintenance contracts, chemicals, catalysts, consumables, spares, and other fixed and variable operations and maintenance costs.
 - (a) The delivered fuel cost estimate will be

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provided by a recognized third party expert or experts in the fuel and transportation industries.

(b) The balance of the operating maintenance cost quote, excluding delivered fuel costs, will be developed based on the inputs licensed engineering provided by duly construction firms performing the construction cost quote, potential vendors under long-term service agreements and plant operating agreements, or recognized third party plant operator or operators.

operating and maintenance cost (including the cost of the front end engineering and design study) shall be expressed in nominal dollars as of the date that the quote is prepared and shall include (1) taxes, insurance, and other owner's costs, and $\frac{(2)}{(2)}$ an assumed escalation in materials and labor beyond the date as of which the operating and maintenance cost quote is expressed.

- (D) The facility cost report shall also include (i) analysis of the initial clean coal facility's ability to deliver power and energy into the applicable regional transmission organization markets and (ii) an analysis of the expected capacity factor for the initial clean coal facility.
 - (E) Amounts paid to third parties unrelated to the

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owner or owners of the initial clean coal facility to prepare the core plant construction cost quote, including the front end engineering and design study, and the operating and maintenance cost quote will be reimbursed through Coal Development Bonds.

Re-powering and retrofitting coal-fired power plants previously owned by Illinois utilities to qualify as coal facilities. During the 2009 procurement planning process and thereafter, the Agency and the Commission shall consider sourcing agreements covering electricity generated by power plants that were previously owned by Illinois utilities and that have been or will be converted into clean coal facilities, as defined by Section 1-10 of this Act. Pursuant to such procurement planning process, the owners of such facilities may propose to the Agency sourcing agreements with utilities and alternative electric suppliers required to comply with subsection (d) of this Section and item (5) of subsection (d) of Section 16-115 of the Public Utilities Act, covering electricity generated by such facilities. In the case of sourcing agreements that are power purchase agreements, contract price for electricity sales established on a cost of service basis. In the case of sourcing agreements that are contracts for differences, the contract price from which the reference price is subtracted shall be established on a cost of service basis.

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The Agency and the Commission may approve any such utility sourcing agreements that do not exceed cost-based benchmarks developed by the procurement administrator, in consultation with the Commission staff, Agency staff and the procurement monitor, subject to Commission review and approval. The Commission shall have authority to inspect all books and records associated with these clean coal facilities during the term of any such contract.

- (6) Costs incurred by a utility under this subsection (d) or pursuant to a contract or sourcing agreement entered into under this subsection (d) shall be deemed prudently incurred and reasonable in amount and the electric utility shall be entitled to full cost recovery pursuant to the tariffs filed with the Commission.
- (e) The draft procurement plans are subject to public comment, as required by Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act and Section 1-78 of this Act.
- (f) The Agency shall submit the final procurement plan to the Commission. The Agency shall revise a procurement plan if the Commission determines that it does not meet the standards set forth in Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act and Section 1-78 of this Act.
- (g) The Agency shall assess fees to each affected utility to recover the costs incurred in preparation of the annual procurement plan for the utility.
 - (h) The Agency shall assess fees to each bidder to

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1 recover the costs incurred in connection with a competitive 2 procurement process.

- (i) The Agency shall assess fees to the initial clean coal facility to recover the costs incurred in preparation of each procurement plan for the initial clean coal facility.
- (j) The General Assembly finds that enterprises owned by minorities, women, and persons with disabilities are under-represented in sales of goods and services used in the construction of energy projects and accordingly deems it a prudent business practice that is in the interests of the people of the State of Illinois to develop and promote economic opportunities for enterprises owned by minorities, women, and persons with disabilities in the energy production industry.

The initial clean coal facility, any clean coal facility, any clean coal SNG brownfield facility, and any clean coal SNG facility shall include in any agreement to sell electric power or SNG entered into pursuant to this Act provisions that require the owner of the facility to make a good faith effort to ensure that an amount equal to not less than 15% of the value of its prime construction contract for the facility shall be established as a goal to be awarded to minority owned businesses, female owned businesses, and businesses owned by a person with a disability; provided that at least 75% of the amount of such total goal shall be for minority owned businesses.

"Minority owned business", "female owned business", and

- 1 "business owned by a person with a disability" shall have the
- meanings ascribed to them in Section 2 of the Business 2
- Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons 3 with
- 4 Disabilities Act.
- 5 (k) Any clean coal SNG facility or clean coal SNG
- 6 brownfield facility shall be authorized to enter into an SNG
- 7 purchase agreement with the initial clean coal facility as
- 8 described in item (xvi) of subparagraph (D) of paragraph (3) of
- 9 subsection (d) of this Section.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 96-159, eff. 8-10-09; 96-1437, eff. 8-17-10;
- 97-325, eff. 8-12-11.) 11
- 12 (20 ILCS 3855/1-76 new)
- 13 Sec. 1-76. Costs and revenue recoverable by the initial
- 14 clean coal facility.
- (a) The price paid for electricity generated by the initial 15
- clean coal facility shall be based on a formula rate using a 16
- cost of service methodology applicable to wholesale electric 17
- 18 power contracts employing a level or deferred capital component
- 19 and in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts, subject
- 20 to and as specifically limited by the provisions set forth in
- 21 this Section.
- 22 The formula rate shall determine 3 components of the price
- under the sourcing agreements: (1) a fuel charge, (2) an 23
- 24 electric generation variable charge, and (3) a fixed monthly
- 25 charge. The fuel charge for any month shall be stated in

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dollars per month and shall consist of the total actual fuel costs incurred, after taking account of the subtraction of miscellaneous net revenue as provided in subsection (d) of this Section. The electric generation variable charge for any period shall be stated in dollars per MWh and shall consist of all costs incurred by the initial clean coal facility, other than fuel costs, associated with production of electric energy by the initial clean coal facility's power block, which costs vary directly with the level of production of electric energy. The fixed monthly charge shall be stated in dollars per month per MW of nameplate capacity of the initial clean coal facility's power block and shall consist of all costs incurred by the initial clean coal facility that are described in, and as limited by the provisions of, subsections (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), and (g) of this Section, other than the costs incorporated into the calculation of the fuel charge and the electric generation variable charge. No later than 30 days after the approval of the sourcing

agreement by the Agency pursuant to paragraph (4) of subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of this Act, the initial clean coal facility shall provide to the Commission projections of its costs for the term of the sourcing agreements. Within 90 days thereafter, the Commission shall, based upon such projections and the provisions of this Section, determine the projected components of the price for each year for the initial clean coal facility. No later than 6 months before the expected

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commencement of commercial operation of the initial clean coal facility and the commencement of each operating year thereafter, the initial clean coal facility shall submit to the Commission projections of its costs and dispatch levels for the upcoming year. Within 120 days after the receipt of the initial clean coal facility's projections of its costs and dispatch levels for the upcoming year, the Commission shall calculate a fixed monthly charge and an electric generation variable charge for the upcoming year using the inputs to the formula rate under the provisions of this Section. If the Commission does not calculate such components of the price for any year as of the beginning of such year, then the initial clean coal facility shall calculate such components of the price based upon its projections and the provisions of this Section, with any subsequent cost disallowance by the Commission to be reflected through a true-up of costs in the next year. If at any time the Commission, acting in accordance with this Section, disallows any cost, then the amount of such disallowance shall be incorporated as a deduction into the calculation of the fixed monthly charge and the electric generation variable charge, as applicable, for the next year. (b) Capital costs set by the Commission according to this subsection (b) shall be included in the formula rate. "Capital costs" means costs for the purchase of land, buildings, construction, and equipment to be used in the production of electricity, and other costs recorded in the Electric Plant

1	Accounts and other applicable Balance Sheet Accounts of the
2	Uniform System of Accounts for the initial clean coal facility.
3	The Capital Development Board shall calculate a range of
4	capital costs that it believes would be a reasonable cost for
5	the initial clean coal facility. The Capital Development Board
6	shall commence performing its responsibilities under this
7	subsection (b) within 30 days after the effective date of this
8	amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly. In determining a
9	range of capital costs, the Capital Development Board shall
10	base its evaluation and judgment on professional engineering
11	and regulatory accounting principles and include any cost
12	information and update on costs that may be provided by the
13	initial clean coal facility and shall not employ least cost
14	resource principles. In addition, the Capital Development
15	Board may:
16	(1) include in its consideration the information in a
17	facility cost report, if any, that was prepared and
18	submitted by the initial clean coal facility to the
19	Commission in accordance with paragraph (4) of subsection
20	(d) of Section 1-75 of this Act;
21	(2) consult as much as it deems necessary with the
22	initial clean coal facility;
23	(3) conduct whatever research and investigation it
24	deems necessary; and
25	(4) retain third parties to assist in its
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own or control any direct or indirect interest in the 1 initial clean coal facility and shall have no contractual 2 3 relationship with the initial clean coal facility. 4

The initial clean coal facility shall cooperate with the Capital Development Board in any investigation it deems necessary.

The Capital Development Board shall make its final determination of the range of capital costs confidentially and shall submit that range to the Commission in a confidential filing no later than 90 days after the Capital Development Board is required to commence performing its responsibilities under this subsection (b). The initial clean coal facility shall submit to the Commission its estimate of the capital costs to be included in the formula rate. Only after the initial clean coal facility has submitted this estimate shall the Commission publicly announce the range of capital costs submitted by the Capital Development Board. In the event that the estimate submitted by the initial clean coal facility is within or below the range submitted by the Capital Development Board, the initial clean coal facility's estimate shall be approved by the Commission as the amount of pre-approved capital costs.

In the event that the estimate submitted by the initial clean coal facility is above the range submitted by the Capital Development Board, the amount of capital costs at the lowest end of the range submitted by the Capital Development Board

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shall be approved by the Commission as the amount of pre-approved capital costs. "Pre-approved capital costs" means the amount of capital costs that will be included in the formula rate to the extent such costs are actually incurred, with no further review or approval with respect to whether they are prudently incurred. The Commission's determination of pre-approved capital costs shall be made within 15 days after the initial clean coal facility submits its capital cost estimate. The Commission's decision regarding pre-approved capital costs shall be final and shall not be subject to judicial or administrative review.

Once made, the Commission's determination of the amount of pre-approved capital costs may not be increased unless the Commission determines that the incremental costs are reasonable, in which case one-third of such reasonable incremental costs shall be included in the formula rate and recoverable by the initial clean coal facility and two-thirds of such costs shall be borne by the initial clean coal facility and its contractors, provided that to the extent such reasonable incremental costs are the result of change in law or non-insurable force majeure, all of such costs shall be included in the formula rate and recoverable by the initial clean coal facility.

"Change in law" means any change, including any enactment, repeal, or amendment, in a law, ordinance, rule, regulation, interpretation, permit, license, consent or order, including

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1 those relating to taxes or to environmental matters, or in the 2 interpretation or application thereof by any governmental 3 authority occurring after May 31, 2011.

"Non-insurable force majeure" means events outside of the reasonable control of the owner of the initial clean coal facility and its contractors, subcontractors, and agents that are not included on a list, to be attached to the sourcing agreement and subject to the procedures set forth in paragraph (4) of subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of this Act, of events that are customarily covered by builder's risk insurance policies for the construction of electric generating plants and other large process plants in the United States. "Non-insurable force majeure" shall not include changes in prices or other changes in market conditions.

Any rebates, refunds, or other payments received by the owner of the initial clean coal facility from any of its contractors with respect to the contractor bearing risk for capital cost overruns shall be excluded from miscellaneous net revenue and shall not otherwise reduce the costs of the owner of the initial clean coal facility for purposes of the formula rate. For purposes of this subsection (b), "reasonable" means that the decisions, construction, and supervision of construction by the owner of the initial clean coal facility and its contractors underlying the initial capital cost and significant additions to the initial capital cost of the initial clean coal facility resulted in efficient, economical,

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1 and timely construction. In determining the reasonableness of the capital costs of the initial clean coal facility, the 2 Commission shall consider the knowledge and circumstances 3 4 prevailing at the time of each relevant decision or action of 5 the owner of the initial clean coal facility and its 6 contractors. 7 The Commission may determine that the amount of

pre-approved capital costs may be increased only after notice and a hearing. At that hearing, the Capital Development Board shall submit a report recommending whether the incremental costs should be approved in full or in part or rejected. The Commission may approve in whole or in part or reject the incremental capital costs based on whether they are reasonable. At the request of the owner of the initial clean coal facility made not more often than once every 12 months during the construction period of the initial clean coal facility, the Commission shall conduct interim reviews to determine whether capital costs specified in such request and incurred or to be incurred by the owner of the initial clean coal facility, are reasonable.

The Capital Development Board shall monitor the construction of the initial clean coal facility for the full duration of construction. The Capital Development Board, in its discretion, may retain third parties to facilitate such monitoring, provided that such third parties shall not own or control any direct or indirect interest in the initial clean

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coal facility and shall have no contractual relationship with the initial clean coal facility. The initial clean coal facility shall pay a reasonable fee as required by the Capital Development Board for the Capital Development Board's services under this subsection (b), and such fee shall not be passed through to a utility or its customers. If a third party is retained by the Capital Development Board for the determination of a range of capital costs or monitoring of construction, the initial clean coal facility must pay for the third party's reasonable fees, and such costs may not be passed through to a utility or its customers.

The provisions of this subsection (b) shall apply to the capital costs for the initial construction of the initial clean coal facility and not to capital costs incurred beyond the initial construction, including costs for replacement of equipment and capital improvements, which capital costs shall be subject to review by the Commission and included in the formula rate to the extent they are determined to be prudently incurred.

(c) Operations and maintenance costs set by the Commission according to this subsection (c) shall be included in the formula rate. Operations and maintenance costs mean costs incurred for the administration, supervision, operation, maintenance, preservation, and protection of the initial clean coal facility's physical plant and other costs recorded in the Operation and Maintenance Expense Accounts and other

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applicable Income Statement Accounts of the Uniform System of Accounts for the initial clean coal facility. The Commission shall assess the prudency of the operations and maintenance costs for the initial clean coal facility and shall allow the initial clean coal facility to include in the formula rate only those costs the Commission deems to be prudent. The Commission may in its discretion retain an expert to assist in its review of operations and maintenance costs. The initial clean coal facility shall pay for the expert's fees if an expert is retained by the Commission, and such costs may not be passed through to a utility or its customers. The Commission's determination regarding the amount of operations and maintenance costs that may be included in the formula rate for each year shall be made in accordance with this Section.

(d) Actual fuel costs shall be set by the Agency through a SNG feedstock procurement, pursuant to Section 1-79 of this Act, to be performed at least every 5 years, and purchased by the initial clean coal facility pursuant to a reasonable fuel supply plan, with coal comprising at least 50% of the total feedstock over the term of a sourcing agreement with all coal having high volatile bituminous rank and greater than 1.7 pounds of sulfur per million btu content, SNG derived from coal comprising at least 50% of the fuel to generate electricity, SNG derived from biomass comprising up to 10% of the fuel to generate electricity with the approval of the Commission, and natural gas comprising the remainder of the fuel to generate

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1 electricity. Actual fuel costs shall consist of all costs associated with the procurement of fuel, including, but not 2 limited to, commodity costs, transportation costs, 3 4 administrative costs, and costs relating to the procurement 5 process. Actual fuel costs, as so determined, shall be reduced 6 by miscellaneous net revenue received by the owner of the initial clean coal facility, including, but not limited to, net 7 revenue from the sale of emission allowances, if any, 8 9 substitute natural gas, if any, grants or other support 10 provided by the State of Illinois or the United States 11 Government, firm transmission rights, if any, by-products produced by the facility, any capacity derived from the 12 facility and bid into the capacity markets or otherwise sold 13 14 and any energy generated as a result of such capacity being 15 called, whether generated from synthesis gas derived from coal, 16 from SNG, or from natural gas, less non-generation variable costs. "Non-generation variable costs" means all costs, other 17 than fuel costs, associated with the production of SNG that is 18 19 not consumed by the initial clean coal facility's power block, 20 which costs vary directly with the level of production of SNG. Actual fuel costs shall be calculated pursuant to this 21 22 subsection (d) and included in the formula rate without any 23 determination by the Commission as to prudency. 24 (e) Sequestration costs set by the Commission according to

this subsection (e) shall be included in the formula rate.

"Sequestration costs" means costs incurred to (1) capture

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1 carbon dioxide; (2) compress carbon dioxide; (3) build, operate, and maintain a sequestration site in which carbon 2 dioxide may be injected; (4) build, operate, and maintain a 3 4 carbon dioxide pipeline, which is owned by the initial clean 5 coal facility; (5) transport the carbon dioxide to a 6 sequestration site or a pipeline; and (6) perform monitoring, verification and other activities associated with carbon 7 8 capture and sequestration. 9 "Sequestration capital costs" means sequestration costs 10 recorded in the Electric Plant Accounts and other applicable 11 Balance Sheet Accounts of the Uniform System of Accounts for 12 the initial clean coal facility. 13 "Sequestration operations and maintenance costs" means 14 sequestration costs that are recorded in the Operation and 15 Maintenance Expense Accounts and other applicable Income 16 Statement Accounts of the Uniform System of Accounts for the initial clean coal facility and shall include maintenance, 17 monitoring, and verification costs. 18 19 The Capital Development Board shall calculate an estimate 20 of sequestration capital costs that it believes would be a reasonable cost for the initial clean coal facility's 21

maintenance cost for the initial clean coal facility's carbon capture and sequestration activities. The Capital Development

sequestration facilities and an estimate of average annual

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Board shall commence performing its responsibilities under this subsection (e) within 30 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th <u>General Assembly. In</u> determining sequestration capital costs and sequestration operations and maintenance costs, the Capital Development Board shall base its evaluation and judgment on professional engineering and regulatory accounting principles and include any cost information and update on costs that may be provided by the initial clean coal facility and shall not employ least cost resource principles. In addition the Capital Development Board may: (A) include in its consideration cost estimate information in a facility cost report, if any, that was prepared and submitted by the initial clean coal facility to the Commission in accordance with paragraph (4) of subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of this Act; (B) consult as much as it deems necessary with the initial clean coal facility; (C) conduct whatever research and investigation it deems necessary; and (D) retain third parties to assist in its determination, provided that such third parties shall not own or control any direct or indirect interest in the initial clean coal facility and shall have no contractual relationship with the initial clean coal facility. The initial clean coal facility shall cooperate with the Capital Development Board in any investigation it deems necessary. The Capital Development Board shall make its final determination of sequestration capital costs and sequestration

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1 operations and maintenance costs and submit such determination to the Commission no later than 90 days after the Capital 2 Development Board is required to commence performing its 3 4 responsibilities under this subsection (e). The Capital 5 Development Board shall monitor construction of the 6 sequestration facilities in the same manner, and with the same rights to retain an expert and recover the costs thereof, as 7

set forth in subsection (b) of this Section.

"Actual sequestration costs" means for any year the sum of: (i) the annual amortized portion of sequestration capital costs, based on level amortization from the later of the date such costs are incurred and the commercial operation date until the end of the term of the sourcing agreements; (ii) the rate of return approved by the Commission pursuant to subsection (f) of this Section applied to sequestration capital costs; and (iii) the sequestration operations and maintenance costs incurred in such year.

"Target sequestration costs" means the sum of: (i) the annual amortized portion of the estimated sequestration capital costs determined by the Capital Development Board, based on level amortization from the later of the date such costs are incurred and the commercial operation date until the end of the term of the sourcing agreements; (ii) the rate of return approved by the Commission pursuant to subsection (f) of this Section applied to the estimated sequestration capital costs determined by the Capital Development Board; (iii) the

estimate of average annual sequestration operations and
maintenance costs determined by the Capital Development Board,
escalated in accordance with an escalation factor to be
provided in the sourcing agreement from the date of the Capital
Development Board's determination to the mid-point of the
applicable year; (iv) the sequestration cost underrun, if any,
for the immediately preceding year, except to the extent
applied to allow recovery of a sequestration cost overrun from
a prior year; and (v) any sequestration costs that are the
result of a change in law or non-insurable force majeure.
"Sequestration cost underrun" means for any year the
excess, if any, of target sequestration costs for such year

"Sequestration cost overrun" means for any year the excess, if any, of actual sequestration costs for such year over target sequestration costs for such year.

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For any year in which there is a sequestration cost underrun, all actual sequestration costs shall be conclusively deemed to be prudent and shall be included in the formula rate with no further review or approval in respect of whether they are prudently incurred. The Commission shall review the costs to ensure they are mathematically correct.

For any year in which there is a sequestration cost overrun, the Commission shall determine whether all or a portion of such sequestration cost overrun was prudently incurred, except that the rate of return shall not be subject

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to review. If the Commission determines that the sequestration cost overrun was prudently incurred, one-third of such sequestration cost overrun shall be included in the formula rate and recoverable by the initial clean coal facility and two-thirds of such sequestration cost overrun shall be borne by the initial clean coal facility and not passed through to a utility, an alternative retail electric supplier, or the customers of a utility unless and until there is a sequestration cost underrun for a subsequent year, in which event the sequestration cost overrun will be included in the formula rate and recoverable by the initial clean coal facility up to the amount of the sequestration cost underrun; provided, however, that if for any year two-thirds of such sequestration cost overrun exceeds the difference of \$20,000,000 minus the amount of penalty, if any, payable by the initial clean coal facility pursuant to Section 1-76.5 with respect to that year, the amount of such excess shall also be included in the formula rate and recoverable by the initial clean coal facility. The detailed procedures for implementing this provision shall be set forth in the sourcing agreements, which procedures shall include a mechanism for equitably adjusting target sequestration costs for any year in which the quantity of carbon dioxide actually captured and sequestered by the initial clean coal facility is greater than the quantity assumed in calculating the estimated costs for such year.

"Change in law" means any change, including any enactment,

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1 repeal, or amendment, in a law, ordinance, rule, regulation, interpretation, permit, license, consent or order, including 2 those relating to taxes or to environmental matters, or in the 3 4 interpretation or application thereof by any governmental

authority occurring after May 31, 2011.

"Non-insurable force majeure" means events outside of the reasonable control of the owner of the initial clean coal facility and its contractors, subcontractors, and agents that are not included on a list, to be attached to the sourcing agreement and subject to the procedures set forth in paragraph (4) of subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of this Act, of events that are customarily covered by builder's risk insurance policies for the construction of electric generating plants and other large process plants in the United States. "Non-insurable force majeure" shall not include changes in prices or other changes in market conditions.

(f) The Commission shall determine within 120 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly or 120 days after the owner of the initial clean coal facility files initial direct testimony regarding rate of return with the Commission, whichever is later, the total rate of return on invested capital for the initial clean coal facility following notice and a public hearing. At the hearing, all interested parties, including utilities, alternative retail electric suppliers, the Attorney General, the Agency, and customers, shall be given an opportunity to be heard. In

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determining the rate of return, the Commission shall select a sufficient return on investment so as to enable the initial clean coal facility to attract capital in financial markets at competitive rates. The Commission shall consider the rates of return received by developers of facilities similar to the initial clean coal facility inside or outside Illinois, the need to balance an incentive for clean-coal technology with the need to protect Illinois ratepayers from high electricity costs, and any other information the Commission deems relevant. The Agency shall recommend a rate of return to the Commission utilizing the criteria in this subsection (f). The Commission shall further take into account the recommendation of the Agency, but shall not be bound by it. The rate of return shall be no lower than 75 basis points lower than the weighted average authorized total rates of return of the electric utilities in accordance with original cost rate base for their electric distribution assets as of January 1, 2011. Notwithstanding the minimum rate of return established in the preceding sentence, the rate of return shall be no greater than the total rate of return on invested capital that the initial clean coal facility would achieve based on an assumed 55% debt and 45% equity capital structure, with the cost of debt being the actual average cost, including all associated costs and fees, of the initial clean coal facility's debt and the cost of equity being 11.5%. The Commission's determination of the rate of return shall include a mechanism providing for a one-time

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adjustment at or about the commencement of commercial operation of the initial clean coal facility to adjust for changes in applicable Treasury yield rates between the date of its provisional determination of the rate of return and the dates of construction period borrowing by the initial clean coal facility, which adjustment shall apply to 55% of total capital. The Commission's decision shall be final and not subject to any rehearing or administrative or judicial review. The rate of return determined by the Commission pursuant to this subsection (f) shall apply for the term of the sourcing agreements and shall not be subject to change, except for the one-time adjustment to reflect Treasury yield rate changes as expressly contemplated by this subsection (f) and as otherwise expressly provided in subsection (b) of Section 1-76.5 of this Act. (q) The following shall not be included in determining the formula rate: advertising expenses that do not meet the requirements of Sections 9-225 and 9-226 of the Public Utilities Act, political activity or lobbying expenses as defined by Section 9-224 of the Public Utilities Act, social club dues, or charitable contributions, to the extent, in each case, that a utility would not be permitted to recover such costs. (h) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (b) and (f) of this Section 1-76, within 30 days after a decision of the Commission on recoverable costs under this Section, any

interested party to the Commission's decision may apply for a

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rehearing with respect to the decision. The Commission shall receive and consider such application for rehearing and shall grant or deny the application in whole or in part within 20 days from the date of the receipt thereof by the Commission. If no rehearing is applied for within the required 30 days or an application for rehearing is denied, the Commission decision shall be final.

If an application for rehearing is granted, the Commission shall hold a rehearing within 30 days after granting the application. The decision of the Commission upon rehearing shall be final. Except as otherwise provided in subsections (b) and (f) of this Section 1-76, any person affected by a decision of the Commission under this Section 1-76 may have the decision reviewed only under and in accordance with the Administrative Review Law. Except as otherwise provided in subsections (b) and (f) of this Section 1-76, the provisions of the Administrative Review Law, all amendments and modifications thereof and the rules adopted pursuant thereto, shall apply to and govern all proceedings for the judicial review of final administrative decisions of the Commission under this subsection (h). The term "administrative decision" is defined as in Section 3-101 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

(i) The Capital Development Board shall adopt and make public a policy detailing the process for retaining third parties under this Section. Any third parties retained to assist with calculating the capital costs or sequestration

- 1 costs shall be retained no later than 45 days after the
- effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General 2
- 3 Assembly.

- 4 (20 ILCS 3855/1-76.5 new)
- 5 Sec. 1-76.5. Capture and sequestration requirements for
- 6 initial clean coal facility.
- (a) The initial clean coal facility shall provide 7 8 documentation to the <u>Commission each year of commercial</u> 9 operation accurately reporting the quantity of carbon emissions from the facility that have been captured and 10 sequestered and report any quantities of carbon released from 11 12 the site or sites at which carbon emissions were sequestered in prior years, based on continuous monitoring of such sites. If, 13 14 in any year, the owner of the facility fails to demonstrate 15 that (1) the portion of the facility that produces SNG captured and sequestered at least 90% of the carbon dioxide it would 16 otherwise emit and (2) the initial clean coal facility as a 17 18 whole captured and sequestered at least 50% of the total carbon 19 emissions that the facility would otherwise emit or if the 20 sequestration of emissions from prior years has failed, 21 resulting in the release of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, 22 or both, then the owner of the initial clean coal facility must 23 pay a penalty of \$20,000,000, which shall be deposited into the 24 Energy Efficiency Trust Fund and distributed pursuant to

subsection (b) of Section 6-6 of the Renewable Energy, Energy

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Efficiency, and Coal Resources Development Law of 1997.

If during the first 12 months of commercial operation of the initial clean coal facility, there are more than 4 stops and starts of the portion of the facility that produces SNG, with each stop and start of an individual unit constituting one stop and start, then the calculation of the quantities described in this subsection (a) shall not take into account any carbon dioxide emissions from the portion of the facility that produces SNG occurring during the stop and start-up periods, including related periods of non-steady state operation, associated with such excess stops and starts. The penalty resulting from the failure to capture and sequester at least the minimum amount of carbon dioxide shall not be passed through to a utility, an alternative retail electric supplier, or the customers of a utility. The initial clean coal facility shall not forfeit its designation as the initial clean coal facility if the facility fails to fully comply with the applicable carbon sequestration requirements in any given year, provided the requisite penalties are complied with. (b) In addition to any penalty for the initial clean coal

facility's failure to capture and sequester at least its minimum sequestration requirement, the Attorney General, on behalf of the People of the State of Illinois, shall specifically enforce the facility's sequestration requirement and the other terms of this contract provision. Such action may be filed in any circuit court in Illinois. By entering into a

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1 sourcing agreement pursuant to subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of this Act, the initial clean coal facility agrees to waive 2 any objections to venue or to the jurisdiction of the court 3 4 with regard to the Attorney General's action for specific 5 performance under this Section. The Commission may reduce the 6 recoverable rate of return approved pursuant to Section 1-76 of this Act for the facility if the facility willfully fails to 7 8 comply with the carbon capture and sequestration requirements 9 set forth in this Section.

- (c) Compliance with the capture and sequestration requirements of this Section shall be assessed annually by the Commission, which may in its discretion retain an expert to facilitate its assessment. The initial clean coal facility shall pay for the expert's reasonable fees if an expert is retained by the Commission, and such costs shall not be passed through to a utility, an alternative retail electric supplier, or the customers of a utility. The Commission shall adopt and make public a policy detailing the process for retaining an expert under this Section.
- (d) Responsibility for compliance with the capture and sequestration requirements specified in this Section for the initial clean coal facility shall reside solely with the initial clean coal facility regardless of whether the facility has contracted with another party to capture, transport, or sequester carbon dioxide.

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1 (20 ILCS 3855/1-77.5 new)

- Sec. 1-77.5 Sequestration permitting, oversight, and 2 3 investigations.
 - (a) No clean coal facility, initial clean coal facility, clean coal SNG brownfield facility, or clean coal SNG facility may transport or sequester carbon dioxide unless the Commission approves the method of carbon dioxide transportation or sequestration as provided in this Section. Approval shall be required regardless of whether the facility has contracted with another party to transport or sequester the carbon dioxide. Nothing in this subsection (a) shall release the owner or operator of a carbon dioxide sequestration site or carbon dioxide pipeline from any other permitting requirements under applicable State and federal laws, statutes, rules, or regulations.
 - (b) No later than 3 months prior to the date upon which the company intends to commence construction of the facility, the owner of the facility shall file with the Commission a carbon dioxide transportation or sequestration plan. The Commission shall review proposed carbon dioxide transportation and sequestration methods and shall approve those methods it deems reasonable and cost-effective. For purposes of this review, "cost-effective" means a commercially reasonable price for similar carbon dioxide transportation or sequestration techniques. In determining whether sequestration through injection is reasonable and cost-effective, the Commission may

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consult with the Illinois State Geological Survey.

The Commission shall hold a public hearing within 30 days after receipt of the facility's carbon dioxide transportation or sequestration plan. The Commission shall post notice of the review on its website upon submission of a carbon dioxide transportation or sequestration method and shall accept written public comments. The Commission shall take the comments into account when making its decision. However, the Commission shall not approve a carbon dioxide sequestration method if the owner or operator of the sequestration site has not received (1) an Underground Injection Control permit from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency or the United States Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to the Environmental Protection Act, (2) an Underground Injection Control permit from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources pursuant to the Illinois Oil and Gas Act, or (3) any applicable permit from the state in which the sequestration site is located if the sequestration shall take place outside of Illinois. The Commission shall approve or deny the carbon dioxide transportation or sequestration method within 90 days after the receipt of all required information. (c) At least annually, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency shall inspect all carbon dioxide sequestration sites in Illinois to ensure the safety and feasibility of those sequestration sites. However, the

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deemed necessary, monitor and conduct investigations of those sites. The owner or operator of the sequestration site must cooperate with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency investigations of carbon dioxide sequestration sites. If the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency determines at any time a site creates conditions that warrant the issuance of a seal order under Section 34 of the Environmental Protection Act, then the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency shall seal the site pursuant to the Environmental Protection Act. If the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency determines at any time a carbon dioxide sequestration site creates conditions that warrant the institution of a civil action for an injunction under Section 43 of the Environmental Protection Act, then the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency shall request the State's Attorney or the Attorney General to institute such action. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency shall provide notice of any such actions as soon as possible on its website. (d) At least annually, the Commission shall inspect all carbon dioxide pipelines in Illinois that transport carbon dioxide to ensure the safety and <u>feasibility of those</u> pipelines. However, the Commission may, as often as deemed necessary, monitor and conduct investigations of those pipelines. The owner or operator of the pipeline must cooperate with the Commission investigations of the carbon dioxide pipelines. If the Commission determines at any time that a

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carbon dioxide pipeline creates conditions that warrant the issuance of a seal order under Section 34 of the Environmental Protection Act, then the Commission shall notify the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency of such conditions. In circumstances in which the carbon dioxide pipeline creates a substantial danger to the environment or public health or to the welfare of persons when the danger is to the livelihood of those persons, the State's Attorney or Attorney General may, upon the request of the Commission or on his or her own motion, institute a civil action for an immediate injunction to halt any discharge or other activity causing or contributing to the danger or require any other action as may be necessary. The Court may issue an ex parte order and shall schedule a hearing on the matter no later than 3 business days after the date of the injunction. The Commission shall provide notice of any such actions as soon as possible on its website.

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18 Sec. 1-79. Feedstock procurement.

> (a) A feedstock procurement plan shall, every 5 years, or more frequently with respect to feedstock that cannot reasonably be procured for a 5-year period on acceptable terms, be prepared for the initial clean coal facility based on the initial clean coal facility's projection of feedstock usage and ratios, and consistent with the applicable requirements of this Act. The plan shall specifically identify the feedstock

1	products to be procured following plan approval and shall
2	follow all the requirements set forth in this Act and all
3	applicable State and federal laws, statutes, rules, or
4	regulations, as well as Commission orders. Nothing in this
5	Section precludes consideration of contracts longer than 5
6	years and related forecast data. Any feedstock procurement
7	occurring in accordance with this plan shall be competitively
8	bid through a request for proposals process. Approval and
9	implementation of the feedstock procurement plan shall be
10	subject to review and approval by the Commission according to
11	the provisions set forth in this Section. A feedstock
12	procurement plan shall include each of the following
13	components:
14	(1) Daily generation analysis. This analysis shall
15	<u>include:</u>
16	(A) multi-year historical analysis of hourly
17	<pre>generation; and</pre>
18	(B) known or projected changes to future
19	generation.
20	(2) Determination of the fuel specifications required
21	for the initial clean coal facility, including:
22	(A) feedstock mix, as set by the initial clean coal
23	facility with coal having high volatile bituminous
24	rank and greater than 1.7 pounds of sulfur per million
25	btu content and comprising at least 50% of the total
26	feedstock over the term of the sourcing agreement;

1	(B) volume of each feedstock required;
2	(C) quality standards of each feedstock;
3	(D) transportation and delivery requirements and
4	associated costs and impacts on the performance,
5	availability, and reliability of the initial clean
6	<pre>coal facility;</pre>
7	(E) technical specifications of the initial clean
8	coal facility for its feedstocks; and
9	(F) appropriate testing of any proposed feedstock
10	before it is incorporated into the feedstock
11	procurement plan or process to determine the effect of
12	such feedstock on the performance, availability, and
13	reliability of the initial clean coal facility.
14	(b) The feedstock procurement process shall be
15	administered by a feedstock procurement administrator and
16	monitored by a feedstock procurement monitor.
17	(1) The feedstock procurement administrator shall:
18	(A) design the final feedstock procurement process
19	in accordance with subsection (d) of this Section
20	following Commission approval of the feedstock
21	<pre>procurement plan;</pre>
22	(B) develop feedstock benchmarks in accordance
23	with paragraph (3) of subsection (d) of this Section to
24	be used to evaluate bids; these benchmarks shall be
25	submitted to the Commission for review and approval on
26	a confidential basis prior to the feedstock

1	<pre>procurement event;</pre>
2	(C) serve as the interface between the initial
3	clean coal facility and feedstock suppliers regarding
4	bidding and contract negotiations;
5	(D) manage the bidder pre-qualification and
6	registration process;
7	(E) obtain the initial clean coal facility's
8	agreement to the final form of all supply contracts and
9	<pre>credit collateral agreements;</pre>
10	(F) administer the request for feedstock proposals
11	process;
12	(G) have the discretion to negotiate to determine
13	whether bidders are willing to lower the price of bids
14	that meet the benchmarks approved by the Commission;
15	any post-bid negotiations with bidders shall be
16	limited to price only and shall be completed within 24
17	hours after opening the sealed bids and shall be
18	conducted in a fair and unbiased manner; in conducting
19	the negotiations, there shall be no disclosure of any
20	information derived from proposals submitted by
21	competing bidders; if information is disclosed to any
22	bidder, it shall be provided to all competing bidders;
23	(H) maintain confidentiality of supplier and
24	bidding information in a manner consistent with all
25	applicable laws, rules, regulations, and tariffs;
26	(I) submit a confidential report to the Commission

1	recommending acceptance or rejection of bids;
2	(J) notify the facility of contract counterparties
3	and contract specifics; and
4	(K) administer related contingency feedstock
5	procurement events.
6	(2) The feedstock procurement monitor, who shall be
7	retained by the Commission, shall:
8	(A) monitor interactions among the feedstock
9	procurement administrator, suppliers, and the initial
10	clean coal facility;
11	(B) monitor and report to the Commission on the
12	progress of the feedstock procurement process;
13	(C) provide an independent confidential report to
14	the Commission regarding the results of the feedstock
15	procurement event;
16	(D) preserve the confidentiality of supplier and
17	bidding information in a manner consistent with all
18	applicable laws, rules, regulations, and tariffs;
19	(E) provide expert advice to the Commission and
20	consult with the feedstock procurement administrator
21	regarding issues related to feedstock procurement
22	process design, rules, protocols, and policy-related
23	<pre>matters;</pre>
24	(F) consult with the feedstock procurement
25	administrator regarding the development and use of
26	benchmark criteria, standard form contracts, credit

1	policies, and bid documents; and
2	(G) assess compliance with the procurement plans
3	approved by the Commission.
4	(c) The feedstock procurement process shall be conducted as
5	follows:
6	(1) Beginning in 2012, the initial clean coal facility
7	shall annually provide a range of feedstock requirement
8	forecasts to the Agency by July 15 of each year, or such
9	other date as may be required by the Commission or Agency.
10	The feedstock requirement forecasts shall cover the 5-year
11	feedstock procurement planning period for the next
12	feedstock procurement plan, or such other longer period
13	that the Agency or the Commission may require, and shall
14	include daily data representing a high generation, low
15	generation and expected generation scenario for the
16	initial clean coal facility. The initial clean coal
17	facility shall provide supporting data and assumptions for
18	each of the scenarios.
19	(2) Beginning in 2012, the Agency shall at least every
20	5 years prepare a feedstock procurement plan by August 15th
21	of the applicable year, or such other date as may be
22	required by the Commission. The feedstock procurement plan
23	shall identify the portfolio of feedstocks to be procured.
24	Copies of the feedstock procurement plan shall be posted
25	and made publicly available on the Agency's and

Commission's websites, and copies shall also be provided to

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the initial clean coal facility. The initial clean coal facility shall have 30 days following the date of posting to provide comment to the Agency on the feedstock procurement plan. Other interested entities also may comment on the feedstock procurement plan. All comments submitted to the Agency shall be specific, supported by data or other detailed analyses, and, if objecting to all or a portion of the feedstock procurement plan, accompanied by specific alternative wording or proposals. All comments shall be posted on the Agency's and Commission's websites. During this 30-day comment period, the Agency shall hold at least one public hearing for the purpose of receiving public comment on the procurement plan. Within 14 days following the end of the 30-day review period, the Agency shall revise the feedstock procurement plan as necessary based on the comments received, file the feedstock procurement plan with the Commission, and post the feedstock procurement plan on the websites.

(3) Within 5 days after the filing of the feedstock procurement plan, any person objecting to the feedstock procurement plan shall file an objection with the Commission. Within 10 days after the filing, the Commission shall determine whether a hearing is necessary. The Commission shall enter its order confirming or modifying the feedstock procurement plan within 90 days after the filing of the feedstock procurement plan by the Agency.

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(d) The feedstock procurement process shall include each of the following components:

(1) Solicitation, pre-qualification, and registration of bidders. The feedstock procurement administrator shall disseminate information to potential bidders to promote a feedstock procurement event, notify potential bidders that the feedstock procurement administrator may enter into a post-bid price negotiation with bidders that meet the applicable benchmarks, provide supply requirements, and otherwise explain the competitive feedstock procurement process. In addition to such other publication as the feedstock procurement administrator determines is appropriate, this information shall be posted on the Agency's and the Commission's websites. The feedstock procurement administrator shall also administer the prequalification process, including evaluation of creditworthiness, compliance with feedstock procurement rules, and agreement to the standard form contract

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developed pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection (d). feedstock procurement administrator shall then identify and register bidders to participate in the feedstock procurement event.

(2) Standard contract forms and credit terms and instruments. The feedstock procurement administrator, in consultation with the initial clean coal facility, electric utilities, alternative retail electric suppliers, the Commission, and other interested parties and subject to Commission oversight, shall develop and provide standard contract forms for the supplier contracts that meet generally accepted industry practices. Standard credit terms and instruments that meet generally accepted industry practices shall be similarly developed. The feedstock procurement administrator shall make available to the Commission all written comments it receives on the contract forms, credit terms, or instruments. If the feedstock procurement administrator cannot reach agreement with the initial clean coal facility as to the contract terms and conditions, then the feedstock procurement administrator must notify the Commission of any disputed terms and the Commission shall resolve the dispute. The terms of the contracts shall not be subject to negotiation by winning bidders, and the bidders must agree to the terms of the contract in advance so that winning bids are selected solely on the basis of price.

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(3) Establishment of a market-based price benchmark. As part of the development of the feedstock procurement process, the feedstock procurement administrator, in consultation with the Commission staff, Agency staff, and feedstock procurement monitor, shall establish benchmarks for evaluating the final prices in the contracts for each of the feedstocks that shall be procured through the feedstock procurement process. The benchmarks shall be based on price data for similar feedstocks for the same delivery period and similar delivery points, or other delivery points after adjusting for that difference. The price benchmarks may also be adjusted to take into account differences between the information reflected in the underlying data sources and the specific feedstocks and gasification feedstock procurement process being used to procure for the initial clean coal facility. The benchmarks shall be confidential but shall be provided to the Commission, and shall be subject to Commission review and approval, prior to a feedstock procurement event.

(4) Request for proposals. The feedstock procurement administrator shall design and issue a request for proposals to supply coal or natural gas in accordance with the initial clean coal facility's usage plan, as approved by the Commission. The request for proposals shall set forth a procedure for sealed, binding commitment bidding with pay-as-bid settlement, and provision for selection of

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bids on the basis of price.

(5) A plan for implementing contingencies in the event of supplier default or failure of the feedstock procurement process to fully meet the expected generation requirement due to insufficient supplier participation, Commission rejection of results, or any other cause. The plan must be specific to the initial clean coal facility's feedstock specifications and requirements.

The feedstock procurement process described in this subsection (d) is exempt from the requirements of the Illinois Procurement Code pursuant to Section 20-10 of the Illinois Procurement Code.

(e) Within 2 business days after opening the sealed bids, the feedstock procurement administrator shall submit a confidential report to the Commission. The report shall contain the results of the bidding for each of the feedstock types along with the feedstock procurement administrator's recommendation for the acceptance and rejection of bids based on the price benchmark criteria and other factors observed in the process. The feedstock procurement monitor also shall submit a confidential report to the Commission within 2 business days after opening the sealed bids. The report shall contain the feedstock procurement monitor's assessment of bidder behavior in the process, as well as an assessment of the feedstock procurement administrator's compliance with the feedstock procurement process and rules. The Commission shall

- 1 review the confidential reports submitted by the feedstock
- procurement administrator and feedstock procurement monitor 2
- 3 and shall accept or reject the recommendations of the feedstock
- 4 procurement administrator within 2 business days after receipt
- 5 of the reports.
- 6 (f) Within 3 business days after the Commission decision
- approving the results of a feedstock procurement event, the 7
- initial clean coal facility shall enter into binding 8
- 9 contractual arrangements with the winning suppliers using
- 10 standard form contracts.
- 11 (q) The names of the successful bidders and the amount of
- 12 feedstock to be delivered for each contract type and for each
- 13 contract term shall be made available to the public at the time
- 14 of Commission approval of a feedstock procurement event. The
- 15 Commission, the feedstock procurement monitor, the feedstock
- procurement administrator, the Agency, and all participants in 16
- the feedstock procurement process shall maintain the 17
- confidentiality of all other supplier and bidding information 18
- in a manner consistent with all applicable laws, rules, 19
- 20 regulations, and tariffs. Confidential information, including
- the confidential reports submitted by the feedstock 21
- 22 procurement administrator and feedstock procurement monitor
- pursuant to subsection (e) of this Section, shall not be made 23
- 24 publicly available and shall not be discoverable by any party
- 25 in any proceeding, absent a compelling demonstration of need,
- 26 nor shall those reports be admissible in any proceeding other

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- than one for law enforcement purposes. 1
- (h) Within 2 business days after a Commission decision 2 3 approving the results of a feedstock procurement event or such 4 other date as may be required by the Commission from time to 5 time, the initial clean coal facility shall file for 6 informational purposes with the Commission its actual or estimated feedstock costs reflecting the costs associated with 7 8 the feedstock procurement.
 - The initial clean coal facility shall pay for (i) reasonable costs incurred by the Agency in administering the feedstock procurement events. The Agency shall determine the amount owed for each feedstock procurement event, and the initial clean coal facility shall pay that amount to the Agency within 30 days after being informed by the Agency of the amount owed. Those funds shall be deposited into the Agency Operations Fund, pursuant to Section 1-55 of this Act, to be used to reimburse expenses related to the feedstock procurement.
 - (j) The Commission has the authority to adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this Section. For the public interest, safety, and welfare, the Commission also has the authority to adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this Section on an emergency basis.
 - (k) On or before April 1 of each year, the Commission may, hold an informal hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on the prior year's feedstock procurement process and any recommendations for change.

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(1) For all purposes of this Section 1-79 and subsection (a-5) of Section 1-75 of this Act, (i) feedstock procurement shall be deemed to include transportation of the feedstock products to the initial clean coal facility (including the acquisition by the initial clean coal facility, as appropriate, of trucks, railcars or other transportation equipment), (ii) feedstock procurement shall not be deemed to include day-to-day performance and administration of feedstock procurement and transportation arrangements, including scheduling, weighing, quality determination, acceptance or rejection of shipments, price adjustments, documentation and related activities, all of which shall be performed by the owner of the initial clean coal facility, and (iii) feedstock supplier shall be deemed to include feedstock transporters and providers of feedstock transportation equipment.

(m) Any agreement for the purchase of SNG entered into by the initial clean coal facility pursuant to item (xvi) of subparagraph (D) of paragraph (3) of subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of this Act shall be deemed for all purposes, including, but not limited to, the inclusion of costs under such agreement being included as part of the initial clean coal facility's actual fuel costs pursuant to subsection (d) of Section 1-76 of this Act, to have been entered into pursuant to the procurement process set forth in this Section 1-79, even though such agreement shall not be subject to competitive bidding. The Agency, the feedstock procurement administrator, and the

1	feedstock procurement monitor shall take account of the initial
2	clean coal facility's obligations under any such agreement in
3	determining the feedstock procurement arrangements that may be
4	entered into by the initial clean coal facility pursuant to
5	this Section 1-79, as well as the implementation and
6	administration of such feedstock procurement arrangements.
7	(20 ILCS 3855/1-81 new)
8	Sec. 1-81. Limited non-impairment.
9	(a) The State of Illinois pledges that the State shall not
10	enact any law or take any action to:
11	(1) break, or repeal the authority for, sourcing
12	agreements in a form approved by the Agency and entered
13	into between electric utilities and the initial clean coal
14	facility pursuant to subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of this
15	Act;
16	(2) break, or repeal the authority for, sourcing
17	agreements in a form approved by the Agency and entered
18	into between alternative retail electric suppliers and the
19	initial clean coal facility;
20	(3) deny electric utilities full cost recovery for
21	their costs incurred under those sourcing agreements;
22	(4) deny the initial clean coal facility full cost
23	recovery under those sourcing agreements for costs that are
24	recoverable under Section 1-76 of this Act.

(5) repeal or remove the requirement that electric

1 utilities shall enter into sourcing agreements with the initial clean coal facility under paragraph (3) of 2 subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of this Act or subsection 3 4 (c) of Section 16-116 of the Public Utilities Act; or 5 (6) repeal or remove the requirement that alternative retail electric suppliers shall enter into sourcing 6 7 agreements with the initial clean coal facility under item (iv) of paragraph (5) of subsection (d) of Section 16-115 8 9 of the Public Utilities Act. These pledges are for the benefit of the parties to those 10 sourcing agreements and the issuers and holders of bonds or 11 other obligations issued or incurred to finance or refinance 12 the initial clean coal facility. The initial clean coal 13 14 facility is authorized to include and refer to these pledges in 15 any financing agreement into which it may enter in regard to 16 those sourcing agreements. (b) The State of Illinois retains and reserves all other 17 rights to enact new or amendatory legislation or take any other 18 19 action, without impairment of the right of the initial clean 20 coal facility to recover prudently incurred costs resulting 21 from the new or amendatory legislation or other action as approved by the Commission, including, but not limited to, 22 legislation or other action that would: (1) directly or 23 24 indirectly raise the costs that the initial clean coal facility 25 must incur; (2) directly or indirectly place additional

restrictions, regulations, or requirements on the initial

- 1 clean coal facility; (3) prohibit sequestration in general or
- prohibit a specific sequestration method or project; or (4) 2
- increase minimum sequestration requirements for the initial 3
- 4 clean coal facility to a technically feasible extent.
- 5 Section 10. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by
- changing Sections 1-10 and 20-10 as follows: 6
- 7 (30 ILCS 500/1-10)
- 8 Sec. 1-10. Application.
- 9 (a) This Code applies only to procurements for which
- contractors were first solicited on or after July 1, 1998. This 10
- 11 Code shall not be construed to affect or impair any contract,
- 12 or any provision of a contract, entered into based on a
- 13 solicitation prior to the implementation date of this Code as
- 14 described in Article 99, including but not limited to any
- covenant entered into with respect to any revenue bonds or 15
- similar instruments. All procurements for which contracts are 16
- 17 solicited between the effective date of Articles 50 and 99 and
- 18 July 1, 1998 shall be substantially in accordance with this
- Code and its intent. 19
- 20 (b) This Code shall apply regardless of the source of the
- 21 funds with which the contracts are paid, including federal
- 22 assistance moneys. This Code shall not apply to:
- 23 (1) Contracts between the State and its political
- 24 subdivisions or other governments, or between State

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- 1 governmental bodies except as specifically provided in this Code. 2
 - (2) Grants, except for the filing requirements of Section 20-80.
 - (3) Purchase of care.
 - (4) Hiring of an individual as employee and not as an independent contractor, whether pursuant to an employment code or policy or by contract directly with that individual.
 - (5) Collective bargaining contracts.
 - (6) Purchase of real estate, except that notice of this type of contract with a value of more than \$25,000 must be published in the Procurement Bulletin within 7 days after the deed is recorded in the county of jurisdiction. The notice shall identify the real estate purchased, the names of all parties to the contract, the value of the contract, and the effective date of the contract.
 - (7) Contracts necessary to prepare for anticipated litigation, enforcement actions, or investigations, provided that the chief legal counsel to the Governor shall give his or her prior approval when the procuring agency is one subject to the jurisdiction of the Governor, and provided that the chief legal counsel of any other procuring entity subject to this Code shall give his or her prior approval when the procuring entity is not one subject to the jurisdiction of the Governor.

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- Contracts for services to Northern Illinois (8) University by a person, acting as an independent contractor, who is qualified by education, experience, and technical ability and is selected by negotiation for the purpose of providing non-credit educational activities or products by means of specialized programs offered by the university.
- (9) Procurement expenditures by the Illinois Conservation Foundation when only private funds are used.
- (10) Procurement expenditures by the Illinois Health Information Exchange Authority involving private funds from the Health Information Exchange Fund. "Private funds" means gifts, donations, and private grants.
- (11) Public-private agreements entered into according to the procurement requirements of Section 20 of Public-Private Partnerships for Transportation Act and design-build agreements entered into according to the 25 requirements of Section of procurement the Public-Private Partnerships for Transportation Act.
- (c) This Code does not apply to the electric power procurement process provided for under Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act.
- 24 (d) Except for Section 20-160 and Article 50 of this Code, 25 and as expressly required by Section 9.1 of the Illinois 26 Lottery Law, the provisions of this Code do not apply to the

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- 1 procurement process provided for under Section 9.1 of the 2 Illinois Lottery Law.
 - (e) This Code does not apply to the process used by the Capital Development Board to retain a person or entity to assist the Capital Development Board with its duties related to the determination of costs of a clean coal SNG brownfield facility, as defined by Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, as required in subsection (h-3) of Section 9-220 of the Public Utilities Act, including calculating the range of capital costs, the range of operating and maintenance costs, or the sequestration costs or monitoring the construction of clean brownfield facility for the full duration of construction.
 - (f) This Code does not apply to the process used by the Illinois Power Agency to retain a mediator to mediate sourcing agreement disputes between gas utilities and the clean coal SNG brownfield facility, as defined in Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, as required under subsection (h-1) of Section 9-220 of the Public Utilities Act.
 - (g) (e) This Code does not apply to the processes used by the Illinois Power Agency to retain a mediator to mediate contract disputes between gas utilities and the clean coal SNG facility and to retain an expert to assist in the review of contracts under subsection (h) of Section 9-220 of the Public Utilities Act. This Code does not apply to the process used by the Illinois Commerce Commission to retain an expert to assist

- 1 in determining the actual incurred costs of the clean coal SNG
- 2 facility and the reasonableness of those costs as required
- under subsection (h) of Section 9-220 of the Public Utilities 3
- 4 Act.
- 5 (h) This Code does not apply to the process used by the
- 6 Capital Development Board to retain a person or entity to
- assist the Capital Development Board with its duties related to 7
- the determination of costs of an initial clean coal facility, 8
- 9 as defined under Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act,
- 10 as required under Section 1-76 of the Illinois Power Agency
- 11 Act, including calculating the range of capital costs or the
- sequestration costs or monitoring the construction of initial 12
- 13 clean coal facility for the full duration of construction.
- 14 (i) This Code does not apply to the process used by the
- 15 Illinois Power Agency to retain a mediator to mediate sourcing
- 16 agreement disputes between electric utilities or alternative
- retail electric suppliers and the initial clean coal facility, 17
- as defined under Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, 18
- as required under paragraph (4) of subsection (d) of Section 19
- 20 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. This Code does not apply
- 21 to the process used by the Illinois Commerce Commission to
- 22 retain an expert to assist the Commission with its duties
- related to the determination of the costs of an initial clean 23
- 24 coal facility, as defined under Section 1-10 of the Illinois
- 25 Power Agency Act, as required under Section 1-76 of the
- Illinois Power Agency Act, including determining the initial 26

- 1 clean coal facility's operations and maintenance costs, or
- compliance with capture and sequestration requirements. 2
- (Source: P.A. 96-840, eff. 12-23-09; 96-1331, eff. 7-27-10; 3
- 4 97-96, eff. 7-13-11; 97-239, eff. 8-2-11; 97-502, eff. 8-23-11;
- 5 revised 9-7-11.)
- 6 (30 ILCS 500/20-10)
- 7 (Text of Section from P.A. 96-159, 96-588, 97-96,
- 8 97 - 198)
- 9 Sec. 20-10. Competitive sealed bidding; reverse auction.
- 10 (a) Conditions for use. All contracts shall be awarded by
- competitive sealed bidding except as otherwise provided in 11
- 12 Section 20-5.
- (b) Invitation for bids. An invitation for bids shall be 13
- 14 issued and shall include a purchase description and the
- 15 material contractual terms and conditions applicable to the
- 16 procurement.
- 17 (c) Public notice. Public notice of the invitation for bids
- 18 shall be published in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin at
- 19 least 14 days before the date set in the invitation for the
- opening of bids. 20
- 21 (d) Bid opening. Bids shall be opened publicly in the
- 22 presence of one or more witnesses at the time and place
- 23 designated in the invitation for bids. The name of each bidder,
- 24 the amount of each bid, and other relevant information as may
- 25 be specified by rule shall be recorded. After the award of the

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- 1 contract, the winning bid and the record of each unsuccessful bid shall be open to public inspection. 2
 - (e) Bid acceptance and bid evaluation. Bids shall be unconditionally accepted without alteration or correction, except as authorized in this Code. Bids shall be evaluated based on the requirements set forth in the invitation for bids, which may include criteria to determine acceptability such as inspection, testing, quality, workmanship, delivery, suitability for a particular purpose. Those criteria that will affect the bid price and be considered in evaluation for award, such as discounts, transportation costs, and total or life cycle costs, shall be objectively measurable. The invitation for bids shall set forth the evaluation criteria to be used.
 - Correction or withdrawal of bids. Correction or withdrawal of inadvertently erroneous bids before or after award, or cancellation of awards of contracts based on bid mistakes, shall be permitted in accordance with rules. After bid opening, no changes in bid prices or other provisions of bids prejudicial to the interest of the State or fair competition shall be permitted. All decisions to permit the correction or withdrawal of bids based on bid mistakes shall be supported by written determination made by a State purchasing officer.
 - (q) Award. The contract shall be awarded with reasonable promptness by written notice to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder whose bid meets the requirements and criteria

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1 set forth in the invitation for bids, except when a State purchasing officer determines it is not in the best interest of 2 3 the State and by written explanation determines another bidder 4 shall receive the award. The explanation shall appear in the

appropriate volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin.

- (h) Multi-step sealed bidding. When it is considered impracticable to initially prepare a purchase description to support an award based on price, an invitation for bids may be issued requesting the submission of unpriced offers to be followed by an invitation for bids limited to those bidders whose offers have been qualified under the criteria set forth in the first solicitation.
- (i) Alternative procedures. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary, the Director of the Illinois Power Agency may create alternative bidding procedures to be used in procuring professional services under subsections subsection (a) and (a-5) of Section 1-75 and subsection (d) of Section 1-78 and subsection (d) of Section 1-79 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and Section 16-111.5(c) of the Public Utilities Act and to procure renewable energy resources under Section 1-56 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. These alternative procedures shall be set forth together with the other criteria contained in the invitation for bids, and shall appear in the appropriate volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin.
 - (j) Reverse auction. Notwithstanding any other provision

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1 of this Section and in accordance with rules adopted by the Director of Central Management Services as chief procurement 2 State purchasing officer under that chief 3 officer, a 4 procurement officer's jurisdiction may procure supplies or 5 services through a competitive electronic auction bidding process after the purchasing officer explains in writing to the 6 chief procurement officer his or her determination that the use 7 8 of such a process will be in the best interest of the State. 9 The chief procurement officer shall publish that determination in his or her next volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin.

An invitation for bids shall be issued and shall include (i) a procurement description, (ii) all contractual terms, whenever practical, and (iii) conditions applicable to the procurement, including a notice that bids will be received in an electronic auction manner.

Public notice of the invitation for bids shall be given in the same manner as provided in subsection (c).

Bids shall be accepted electronically at the time and in the manner designated in the invitation for bids. During the auction, a bidder's price shall be disclosed to other bidders. Bidders shall have the opportunity to reduce their bid prices during the auction. At the conclusion of the auction, the record of the bid prices received and the name of each bidder shall be open to public inspection.

After the auction period has terminated, withdrawal of bids shall be permitted as provided in subsection (f).

- 1 The contract shall be awarded within 60 days after the
- auction by written notice to the lowest responsible bidder, or 2
- 3 all bids shall be rejected except as otherwise provided in this
- 4 Code. Extensions of the date for the award may be made by
- 5 mutual written consent of the State purchasing officer and the
- lowest responsible bidder. 6
- This subsection does not apply to (i) procurements of 7
- professional and artistic services, including but not limited 8
- 9 telecommunications services, communications services,
- 10 Internet services, and information services, and (ii)
- 11 contracts for construction projects.
- (Source: P.A. 95-481, eff. 8-28-07; 96-159, eff. 8-10-09; 12
- 13 96-588, eff. 8-18-09; 97-96, eff. 7-13-11.)
- 14 (Text of Section from P.A. 96-159, 96-795, 97-96,
- 15 97 - 198)
- 16 Sec. 20-10. Competitive sealed bidding; reverse auction.
- 17 (a) Conditions for use. All contracts shall be awarded by
- 18 competitive sealed bidding except as otherwise provided in
- 19 Section 20-5.
- (b) Invitation for bids. An invitation for bids shall be 2.0
- 21 issued and shall include a purchase description and the
- 22 material contractual terms and conditions applicable to the
- 23 procurement.
- 24 (c) Public notice. Public notice of the invitation for bids
- 25 shall be published in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin at

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 - (d) Bid opening. Bids shall be opened publicly in the presence of one or more witnesses at the time and place designated in the invitation for bids. The name of each bidder, the amount of each bid, and other relevant information as may be specified by rule shall be recorded. After the award of the contract, the winning bid and the record of each unsuccessful bid shall be open to public inspection.
 - (e) Bid acceptance and bid evaluation. Bids shall be unconditionally accepted without alteration or correction, except as authorized in this Code. Bids shall be evaluated based on the requirements set forth in the invitation for bids, which may include criteria to determine acceptability such as inspection, testing, quality, workmanship, delivery, suitability for a particular purpose. Those criteria that will affect the bid price and be considered in evaluation for award, such as discounts, transportation costs, and total or life cycle costs, shall be objectively measurable. The invitation for bids shall set forth the evaluation criteria to be used.
 - (f) Correction or withdrawal of bids. Correction or withdrawal of inadvertently erroneous bids before or after award, or cancellation of awards of contracts based on bid mistakes, shall be permitted in accordance with rules. After bid opening, no changes in bid prices or other provisions of bids prejudicial to the interest of the State or fair

- 1 competition shall be permitted. All decisions to permit the
- correction or withdrawal of bids based on bid mistakes shall be 2
- 3 supported by written determination made by a State purchasing
- 4 officer.
- 5 (g) Award. The contract shall be awarded with reasonable
- promptness by written notice to the lowest responsible and 6
- 7 responsive bidder whose bid meets the requirements and criteria
- set forth in the invitation for bids, except when a State 8
- 9 purchasing officer determines it is not in the best interest of
- 10 the State and by written explanation determines another bidder
- 11 shall receive the award. The explanation shall appear in the
- appropriate volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin. The 12
- 13 written explanation must include:
- 14 (1) a description of the agency's needs;
- 15 (2) a determination that the anticipated cost will be
- 16 fair and reasonable;
- a listing of all responsible and responsive 17
- 18 bidders; and
- (4) the name of the bidder selected, pricing, and the 19
- 20 reasons for selecting that bidder.
- Each chief procurement officer may adopt guidelines to 2.1
- 22 implement the requirements of this subsection (g).
- 23 The written explanation shall be filed with the Legislative
- 24 Audit Commission and the Procurement Policy Board and be made
- 25 available for inspection by the public within 30 days after the
- 26 agency's decision to award the contract.

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- (h) Multi-step sealed bidding. When it is considered impracticable to initially prepare a purchase description to support an award based on price, an invitation for bids may be issued requesting the submission of unpriced offers to be followed by an invitation for bids limited to those bidders whose offers have been qualified under the criteria set forth in the first solicitation.
- Alternative procedures. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary, the Director of the Illinois Power Agency may create alternative bidding procedures to be used in procuring professional services under subsections subsection (a) and (a-5) of Section 1-75, and subsection (d) of Section 1-78, and subsection (d) of Section 1-79 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and Section 16-111.5(c) of the Public Utilities Act and to procure renewable energy resources under Section 1-56 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. These alternative procedures shall be set forth together with the other criteria contained in the invitation for bids, and shall appear in the appropriate volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin.
 - (j) Reverse auction. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section and in accordance with rules adopted by the chief procurement officer, that chief procurement officer may procure supplies or services through a competitive electronic auction bidding process after the chief procurement officer determines that the use of such a process will be in the best

- interest of the State. The chief procurement officer shall 1
- publish that determination in his or her next volume of the 2
- Illinois Procurement Bulletin. 3
- 4 An invitation for bids shall be issued and shall include
- 5 (i) a procurement description, (ii) all contractual terms,
- whenever practical, and (iii) conditions applicable to the 6
- procurement, including a notice that bids will be received in 7
- an electronic auction manner. 8
- 9 Public notice of the invitation for bids shall be given in
- 10 the same manner as provided in subsection (c).
- 11 Bids shall be accepted electronically at the time and in
- the manner designated in the invitation for bids. During the 12
- 13 auction, a bidder's price shall be disclosed to other bidders.
- 14 Bidders shall have the opportunity to reduce their bid prices
- 15 during the auction. At the conclusion of the auction, the
- 16 record of the bid prices received and the name of each bidder
- 17 shall be open to public inspection.
- 18 After the auction period has terminated, withdrawal of bids
- 19 shall be permitted as provided in subsection (f).
- 20 The contract shall be awarded within 60 days after the
- 2.1 auction by written notice to the lowest responsible bidder, or
- 22 all bids shall be rejected except as otherwise provided in this
- 23 Code. Extensions of the date for the award may be made by
- 24 mutual written consent of the State purchasing officer and the
- 25 lowest responsible bidder.
- 26 This subsection does not apply to (i) procurements of

- 1 professional and artistic services, (ii) telecommunications
- services, communication services, and information services, 2
- 3 and (iii) contracts for construction projects.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 96-159, eff. 8-10-09; 96-795, eff. 7-1-10 (see
- 5 Section 5 of P.A. 96-793 for the effective date of changes made
- by P.A. 96-795); 97-96, eff. 7-13-11.) 6
- 7 Section 15. The Public Utilities Act is amended by changing
- 8 Sections 16-107.5, 16-108, 16-111.5, 16-115, 16-115D, and
- 9 16-116 as follows:
- 10 (220 ILCS 5/16-107.5)
- 11 Sec. 16-107.5. Net electricity metering.
- 12 (a) The Legislature finds and declares that a program to
- 13 provide net electricity metering, as defined in this Section,
- 14 for eligible customers can encourage private investment in
- renewable energy resources, stimulate economic growth, enhance 15
- the continued diversification of Illinois' energy resource 16
- 17 mix, and protect the Illinois environment.
- 18 (b) As used in this Section, (i) "eligible customer" means
- 19 a retail customer that owns or operates a solar, wind, or other
- 20 eligible renewable electrical generating facility with a rated
- 21 capacity of not more than 2,000 kilowatts that is located on
- 22 the customer's premises or is interconnected to the
- 23 distribution grid of the customer's electricity provider or
- alternative retail electric supplier and is intended primarily 24

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to offset the customer's own electrical requirements; (ii) "electricity provider" electric means an utilitv alternative retail electric supplier; (iii) "eligible renewable electrical generating facility" means a generator powered by solar electric energy, wind, dedicated crops grown for electricity generation, agricultural residues, untreated and unadulterated wood waste, landscape trimmings, livestock manure, anaerobic digestion of livestock or food processing waste, fuel cells or microturbines powered by renewable fuels, or hydroelectric energy; and (iv) "net electricity metering" (or "net metering") means the measurement, during the billing period applicable to an eligible customer, of the net amount of electricity supplied by an electricity provider to customer's premises or provided to the electricity provider by the customer.

equipment that can measure the flow of electricity in both directions at the same rate. For eligible residential customers, this shall typically be accomplished through use of a single, bi-directional meter. If the eligible customer's existing electric revenue meter does not meet this requirement, the electricity provider shall arrange for the local electric utility or a meter service provider to install and maintain a new revenue meter at the electricity provider's expense. For non residential customers, the electricity provider may arrange for the local electric utility or a meter service

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provider to install and maintain metering equipment capable of measuring the flow of electricity both into and out of the customer's facility at the same rate and ratio, typically through the use of a dual channel meter. For generators with a nameplate rating of 40 kilowatts and below, the costs of installing such equipment shall be paid for by the electricity provider. For generators with a nameplate rating over 40 kilowatts and up to 2,000 kilowatts capacity, the costs of installing such equipment shall be paid for by the customer. Any subsequent revenue meter change necessitated by any eligible customer shall be paid for by the customer.

- (d) An electricity provider shall measure and charge or credit for the net electricity supplied to eligible customers or provided by eligible customers in the following manner:
 - (1) If the amount of electricity used by the customer during the billing period exceeds the amount of electricity produced by the customer, the electricity provider shall charge the customer for the net electricity supplied to and used by the customer as provided in subsection (e) of this Section.
 - (2) If the amount of electricity produced by a customer during the billing period exceeds the amount of electricity used by the customer during that billing period, the electricity provider supplying that customer shall apply a 1:1 kilowatt-hour credit to a subsequent bill for service to the customer for the net electricity supplied to the

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electricity provider. The electricity provider shall continue to carry over any excess kilowatt-hour credits earned and apply those credits to subsequent billing periods to offset any customer-generator consumption in those billing periods until all credits are used or until service is terminated or until the end of the annualized period.

- (3) In At the end of the year or annualized over the period that service is supplied by means of net metering, or in the event that the retail customer terminates service with the electricity provider prior to the end of the year or the annualized period, any remaining credits in the customer's account shall expire.
- (e) An electricity provider shall provide to net metering customers electric service at non-discriminatory rates that are identical, with respect to rate structure, retail rate components, and any monthly charges, to the rates that the customer would be charged if not a net metering customer. An electricity provider shall not charge net metering customers any fee or charge or require additional equipment, insurance, or any other requirements not specifically authorized by interconnection standards authorized by the Commission, unless the fee, charge, or other requirement would apply to other similarly situated customers who are not net metering customers. The customer will remain responsible for all taxes, fees, and utility delivery charges that would otherwise be

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applicable to the net amount of electricity used by the customer. Subsections (c) through (e) of this Section shall not be construed to prevent an arms-length agreement between an electricity provider and an eligible customer that sets forth different prices, terms, and conditions for the provision of net metering service, including, but not limited to, the provision of the appropriate metering equipment non-residential customers.

- (f) Notwithstanding the requirements of subsections (c) through (e) of this Section, an electricity provider must require dual-channel metering for non-residential customers operating eligible renewable electrical generating facilities with a nameplate rating over 40 kilowatts and up to 2,000 kilowatts. In such cases, electricity charges and credits shall be determined as follows:
 - (1) The electricity provider shall assess and the customer remains responsible for all taxes, fees, and utility delivery charges that would otherwise be applicable to the gross amount of kilowatt hours supplied to the eligible customer by the electricity provider.
 - (2) Each month that service is supplied by means of dual-channel metering, the electricity provider shall compensate the eligible customer for any kilowatt-hour credits at the electricity provider's avoided cost of electricity supply over the monthly period or as otherwise specified by the terms of a power purchase

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(3) For all eligible net metering customers taking service from an electricity provider under contracts or employing time of use tariffs rates, any monthly consumption of electricity shall be calculated according to the terms of the contract or tariff to which the same customer would be assigned to or be eligible for if the customer was not a net metering customer. When those same customer-generators are net generators during any discrete time of use period, the net kilowatt-hours produced shall be valued at the same price per kilowatt-hour as the electric service provider would charge for kilowatt-hour sales during that same time of use period.

(g) For purposes of federal and State laws providing renewable energy credits or greenhouse gas credits, the eligible customer shall be treated as owning and having title to the renewable energy attributes, renewable energy credits, and greenhouse gas emission credits related to any electricity produced by the qualified generating unit. The electricity provider may not condition participation in a net metering program on the signing over of a customer's renewable energy credits; provided, however, this subsection (g) shall not be construed to prevent an arms-length agreement between an electricity provider and an eligible customer that sets forth the ownership or title of the credits.

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- (h) Within 120 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, the Commission shall establish standards for net metering and, if the Commission has not already acted on its own initiative, standards for the interconnection of eligible renewable generating equipment utility to the system. interconnection standards shall address any procedural barriers, delays, and administrative costs associated with the interconnection of customer-generation while ensuring the safety and reliability of the units and the electric utility system. The Commission shall consider the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard 1547 and the issues of (i) reasonable and fair fees and costs, (ii) clear timelines for major milestones in the interconnection process, (iii) nondiscriminatory terms of agreement, and (iv) any best practices for interconnection of distributed generation.
 - (i) All electricity providers shall begin to offer net metering no later than April 1, 2008.
 - (j) An electricity provider shall provide net metering to eligible customers until the load of its net metering customers equals 5% $\frac{1\%}{1}$ of the total peak demand supplied by that electricity provider during the previous year. Electricity providers are authorized to offer net metering beyond the 5% 1% level if they so choose. The number of new eligible customers with generators that have a nameplate rating of 40 kilowatts

and below will be limited to 200 total new billing accounts for
the utilities (Ameren Companies, ComEd, and MidAmerican) for
the period of April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009.

- (k) Each electricity provider shall maintain records and report annually to the Commission the total number of net metering customers served by the provider, as well as the type, capacity, and energy sources of the generating systems used by the net metering customers. Nothing in this Section shall limit the ability of an electricity provider to request the redaction of information deemed by the Commission to be confidential business information. Each electricity provider shall notify the Commission when the total generating capacity of its net metering customers is equal to or in excess of the 1% cap specified in subsection (j) of this Section.
- (1) Notwithstanding the definition of "eligible customer" in item (i) of subsection (b) of this Section, each electricity provider shall consider whether to allow meter aggregation for the purposes of net metering on:
 - (1) properties owned or leased by multiple customers that contribute to the operation of an eligible renewable electrical generating facility, such as a community-owned wind project, a community-owned biomass project, a community-owned solar project, or a community methane digester processing livestock waste from multiple sources; and
 - (2) individual units, apartments, or properties owned

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or leased by multiple customers and collectively served by common eligible renewable electrical generating а facility, such as an apartment building served by photovoltaic panels on the roof; and -

> (3) multiple meters that are located on an eligible customer's contiquous property and are used to measure only electricity used for the eligible customer's requirements.

purposes of this subsection (l), aggregation" means the combination of reading and billing on a pro rata basis for the types of eligible customers described in this Section such as to allocate benefits of participation onto the customers' monthly electric bills. Meter aggregation shall be allowed whether the eligible renewable energy generating device is located on the premises of the eligible customer or is interconnected to the distribution grid of the eligible customer's electricity provider or alternative retail electric supplier. Such meter aggregation shall be subject to the terms and conditions approved by the Commission in a proceeding establishing the rules applicable to meter aggregation under this subsection (1), which shall commence no less than 180 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly and be completed within 365 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly.

(m) Nothing in this Section shall affect the right of an electricity provider to continue to provide, or the right of a

- 1 retail customer to continue to receive service pursuant to a
- contract for electric service between the electricity provider 2
- and the retail customer in accordance with the prices, terms, 3
- 4 and conditions provided for in that contract. Either the
- 5 electricity provider or the customer may require compliance
- 6 with the prices, terms, and conditions of the contract.
- (Source: P.A. 95-420, eff. 8-24-07.) 7
- 8 (220 ILCS 5/16-108)

- 9 16-108. Recovery of costs associated with 10 provision of delivery services.
- (a) An electric utility shall file a delivery services 11 12 tariff with the Commission at least 210 days prior to the date that it is required to begin offering such services pursuant to 13 14 this Act. An electric utility shall provide the components of 15 delivery services that are subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at the same prices, terms 16 17 and conditions set forth in its applicable tariff as approved or allowed into effect by that Commission. The Commission shall 18 19 otherwise have the authority pursuant to Article IX to review, approve, and modify the prices, terms and conditions of those 20 21 components of delivery services not subject to the jurisdiction 22 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, including the 23 authority to determine the extent to which such delivery 24 services should be offered on an unbundled basis. In making any

such determination the Commission shall consider, at a minimum,

energy services in Illinois.

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- the effect of additional unbundling on (i) the objective of just and reasonable rates, (ii) electric utility employees, and (iii) the development of competitive markets for electric
- 5 (b) The Commission shall enter an order approving, or 6 approving as modified, the delivery services tariff no later 7 than 30 days prior to the date on which the electric utility 8 must commence offering such services. The Commission may

subsequently modify such tariff pursuant to this Act.

(c) The electric utility's tariffs shall define the classes of its customers for purposes of delivery services charges. Delivery services shall be priced and made available to all retail customers electing delivery services in each such class on a nondiscriminatory basis regardless of whether the retail customer chooses the electric utility, an affiliate of the electric utility, or another entity as its supplier of electric power and energy. Charges for delivery services shall be cost based, and shall allow the electric utility to recover the costs of providing delivery services through its charges to its delivery service customers that use the facilities and services associated with such costs. Such costs shall include the costs owning, operating and maintaining transmission and distribution facilities. Beginning June 1, 2012, charges for delivery services shall also include the recovery of the electric utility's costs of renewable energy credits and excluded renewable energy resources contract costs in

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accordance with subsection (k) of this Section. The Commission shall also be authorized to consider whether, and if so to what extent, the following costs are appropriately included in the electric utility's delivery services rates: (i) the costs of that portion of generation facilities used for the production and absorption of reactive power in order that retail customers located in the electric utility's service area can receive electric power and energy from suppliers other than the electric utility, and (ii) the costs associated with the use redispatch of generation facilities to and mitigate constraints on the transmission or distribution system in order that retail customers located in the electric utility's service area can receive electric power and energy from suppliers other than the electric utility. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as directing the Commission to allocate any of the costs described in (i) or (ii) that are found to be appropriately included in the electric utility's delivery services rates to any particular customer group or geographic area in setting delivery services rates.

(d) The Commission shall establish charges, terms and conditions for delivery services that are just and reasonable and shall take into account customer impacts when establishing such charges. In establishing charges, terms and conditions for delivery services, the Commission shall take into account voltage level differences. A retail customer shall have the option to request to purchase electric service at any delivery

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service voltage reasonably and technically feasible from the electric facilities serving that customer's premises provided that there are no significant adverse impacts upon system reliability or system efficiency. A retail customer shall also have the option to request to purchase electric service at any point of delivery that is reasonably and technically feasible provided that there are no significant adverse impacts on system reliability or efficiency. Such requests shall not be unreasonably denied.

- Electric utilities shall recover the costs (e) of installing, operating or maintaining facilities for the particular benefit of one or more delivery services customers, including without limitation any costs incurred in complying with a customer's request to be served at a different voltage level, directly from the retail customer or customers for whose benefit the costs were incurred, to the extent such costs are not recovered through the charges referred to in subsections (c) and (d) of this Section.
- (f) An electric utility shall be entitled but not required to implement transition charges in conjunction with the offering of delivery services pursuant to Section 16-104. If an electric utility implements transition charges, it shall implement such charges for all delivery services customers and for all customers described in subsection (h), but shall not implement transition charges for power and energy that a retail customer takes from cogeneration or self-generation facilities

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1 located on that retail customer's premises, if such facilities meet the following criteria: 2

- (i) the cogeneration or self-generation facilities serve a single retail customer and are located on that retail customer's premises (for purposes of subparagraph and subparagraph (ii), an industrial or manufacturing retail customer and a third party contractor that is served by such industrial or manufacturing customer through such retail customer's own electrical distribution facilities under the circumstances described in subsection (vi) of the definition of "alternative retail electric supplier" set forth in Section 16-102, shall be considered a single retail customer);
- (ii) the cogeneration or self-generation facilities (A) are sized pursuant to generally accepted engineering standards for the retail customer's electrical load at that premises (taking into account standby or other reliability considerations related to t.hat. customer's operations at that site) or (B) if the facility is a cogeneration facility located on the retail customer's premises, the retail customer is the thermal host for that facility and the facility has been designed to meet that retail customer's thermal energy requirements resulting in electrical output beyond that retail customer's electrical demand at that premises, comply with the operating and efficiency standards applicable to "qualifying facilities"

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specified in title 18 Code of Federal Regulations Section 292.205 as in effect on the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1999;

- (iii) the retail customer on whose premises the facilities are located either has an exclusive right to receive, and corresponding obligation to pay for, all of the electrical capacity of the facility, or in the case of a cogeneration facility that has been designed to meet the retail customer's thermal energy requirements at that premises, an identified amount of the electrical capacity of the facility, over a minimum 5-year period; and
- (iv) if the cogeneration facility is sized for the retail customer's thermal load at that premises but exceeds the electrical load, any sales of excess power or energy are made only at wholesale, are subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and are not for the purpose of circumventing the provisions of this subsection (f).

If a generation facility located at a retail customer's premises does not meet the above criteria, an electric utility implementing transition charges shall implement a transition charge until December 31, 2006 for any power and energy taken by such retail customer from such facility as if such power and energy had been delivered by the electric utility. Provided, however, that an industrial retail customer that is taking power from a generation facility that does not meet the above

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criteria but that is located on such customer's premises will not be subject to a transition charge for the power and energy taken by such retail customer from such generation facility if the facility does not serve any other retail customer and either was installed on behalf of the customer and for its own use prior to January 1, 1997, or is both predominantly fueled by byproducts of such customer's manufacturing process at such premises and sells or offers an average of 300 megawatts or more of electricity produced from such generation facility into the wholesale market. Such charges shall be calculated as provided in Section 16-102, and shall be collected on each kilowatt-hour delivered under a delivery services tariff to a retail customer from the date the customer first takes delivery services until December 31, 2006 except as provided in subsection (h) of this Section. Provided, however, that an electric utility, other than an electric utility providing service to at least 1,000,000 customers in this State on January 1, 1999, shall be entitled to petition for entry of an order by the Commission authorizing the electric utility to implement transition charges for an additional period ending no later than December 31, 2008. The electric utility shall file its petition with supporting evidence no earlier than 16 months, and no later than 12 months, prior to December 31, 2006. The Commission shall hold a hearing on the electric utility's petition and shall enter its order no later than 8 months after the petition is filed. The Commission shall

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determine whether and to what extent the electric utility shall be authorized to implement transition charges for an additional period. The Commission may authorize the electric utility to implement transition charges for some or all of the additional period, and shall determine the mitigation factors to be used in implementing such transition charges; provided, that the Commission shall not authorize mitigation factors less than 110% of those in effect during the 12 months ended December 31, 2006. In making its determination, the Commission shall consider the following factors: the necessity to implement transition charges for an additional period in order to maintain the financial integrity of the electric utility; the prudence of the electric utility's actions in reducing its costs since the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997; the ability of the electric utility to provide safe, adequate and reliable service to retail customers in its service area; and the impact on competition of allowing the electric utility to implement transition charges for the additional period.

(g) The electric utility shall file tariffs that establish the transition charges to be paid by each class of customers to the electric utility in conjunction with the provision of delivery services. The electric utility's tariffs shall define the classes of its customers for purposes of calculating transition charges. The electric utility's tariffs shall provide for the calculation of transition charges on a customer-specific basis for any retail customer whose average

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monthly maximum electrical demand on the electric utility's system during the 6 months with the customer's highest monthly maximum electrical demands equals or exceeds 3.0 megawatts for electric utilities having more than 1,000,000 customers, and for other electric utilities for any customer that has an average monthly maximum electrical demand on the electric utility's system of one megawatt or more, and (A) for which there exists data on the customer's usage during the 3 years preceding the date that the customer became eligible to take delivery services, or (B) for which there does not exist data on the customer's usage during the 3 years preceding the date that the customer became eligible to take delivery services, if in the electric utility's reasonable judgment there exists comparable usage information or a sufficient basis to develop such information, and further provided that the electric utility can require customers for which individual an calculation is made to sign contracts that set forth the transition charges to be paid by the customer to the electric utility pursuant to the tariff.

(h) An electric utility shall also be entitled to file tariffs that allow it to collect transition charges from retail customers in the electric utility's service area that do not take delivery services but that take electric power or energy from an alternative retail electric supplier or from an electric utility other than the electric utility in whose service area the customer is located. Such charges shall be

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calculated, in accordance with the definition of transition charges in Section 16-102, for the period of time that the customer would be obligated to pay transition charges if it were taking delivery services, except that no deduction for delivery services revenues shall be made in such calculation, and usage data from the customer's class shall be used where historical usage data is not available for the individual customer. The customer shall be obligated to pay such charges on a lump sum basis on or before the date on which the customer commences to take service from the alternative retail electric supplier or other electric utility, provided, that the electric utility in whose service area the customer is located shall offer the customer the option of signing a contract pursuant to which the customer pays such charges ratably over the period in which the charges would otherwise have applied.

- (i) An electric utility shall be entitled to add to the bills of delivery services customers charges pursuant to Sections 9-221, 9-222 (except as provided in Section 9-222.1), and Section 16-114 of this Act, Section 5-5 of the Electricity Infrastructure Maintenance Fee Law, Section 6-5 of the Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency, and Coal Resources Development Law of 1997, and Section 13 of the Energy Assistance Act.
- 24 (j) If a retail customer that obtains electric power and 25 energy from cogeneration or self-generation facilities 26 installed for its own use on or before January 1, 1997,

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subsequently takes service from an alternative retail electric supplier or an electric utility other than the electric utility in whose service area the customer is located for any portion of the customer's electric power and energy requirements formerly obtained from those facilities (including that amount purchased from the utility in lieu of such generation and not as standby power purchases, under a cogeneration displacement tariff in effect as of the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997), the transition charges otherwise applicable pursuant to subsections (f), (q), or (h) of this Section shall not be applicable in any year to that portion of the customer's electric power and energy requirements formerly obtained from those facilities, provided, that for purposes of subsection (j), such portion shall not exceed the average number of kilowatt-hours per year obtained from cogeneration or self-generation facilities during the 3 years prior to the date on which the customer became eligible for delivery services, except as provided in subsection (f) of Section 16-110.

(k) Beginning June 1, 2012, the electric utility shall be entitled to recover through its tariffed charges for delivery services (1) the costs of any renewable energy credits purchased to meet the renewable energy resource standards of subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, pursuant to the electric utility's procurement plan as approved in accordance with Section 16-111.5 of this Act, and

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(2) any excluded renewable energy resources contract costs as defined in Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. The Commission shall determine a just and reasonable allocation of such costs to the various classes of customers taking delivery services from the electric utility, taking into account the provisions of paragraphs (2) and (6) of subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and, with respect to excluded renewable energy resources contract costs, the extent to which the electric utility's eligible retail customers have become delivery services non-eligible retail customers subsequent to the year that the contracts giving rise to the excluded renewable energy resources costs were entered into. Provided, that in no event shall the Commission allocate the costs of renewable energy credits and excluded renewable energy resources contract costs in a manner that causes the rate limitations specified in paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act to be exceeded for any class of customers. For purposes of recovery through the electric utility's tariffed charges for delivery services, the cost of the renewable energy credits included in purchases of bundled renewable energy resources, as defined in Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, to meet the renewable energy

resource standards applicable to the load of the electric

utility's eligible retail customers, as defined in subsection

(a) of Section 16-111.5 of this Act, shall be the allocated

1 renewable energy credit prices approved by the Commission in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 16-111.5 of this Act. 2 3 The electric utility shall be entitled to recover the cost 4 of such renewable energy credits and excluded renewable energy 5 resources contract costs through an automatic adjustment 6 charge provision in the electric utility's delivery services 7 tariffs that allows the electric utility to adjust its tariffed 8 charges on an quarterly basis for changes in its costs incurred 9 to purchase renewable energy credits and its excluded renewable 10 energy resources contract costs, if any, without the need to 11 file a general delivery services rate case. The electric 12 utility's collections pursuant to such an automatic adjustment 13 charge tariff shall be subject to annual review, 14 reconciliation, and true-up against actual costs by the 15 Commission pursuant to a procedure that shall be specified in 16 the electric utility's tariff and approved by the Commission in connection with its approval of the tariff. The procedure shall 17 provide that any difference between the electric utility's 18 19 collections pursuant to the automatic adjustment charge for an 20 annual period and the electric utility's actual costs of 21 renewable energy credits and actual excluded renewable energy 22 resources contract costs for the annual period shall be refunded to or collected from, as applicable, the electric 23 24 utility's delivery services customers in subsequent periods. 25 (Source: P.A. 91-50, eff. 6-30-99; 92-690, eff. 7-18-02.)

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Sec. 16-111.5. Provisions relating to procurement. 2

(a) An electric utility that on December 31, 2005 served at least 100,000 customers in Illinois shall procure power, energy efficiency products, and energy for its eligible retail customers in accordance with the applicable provisions set forth in Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and this Section and, for years beginning on and after June 1, 2012, shall procure renewable energy credits with respect to the kilowatthour usage of delivery services non-eligible retail customers in the electric utility's service area in accordance with the applicable provisions set forth in Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and this Section. A multi-jurisdictional electric utility that on December 31, 2005 served less than 100,000 customers in Illinois may elect to procure power and energy for all or a portion of its eligible Illinois retail customers in accordance with the applicable provisions set forth in this Section and Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. This Section shall not apply to a small multi-jurisdictional utility until such time as a small multi-jurisdictional utility requests the Illinois Power Agency to prepare a procurement plan for its eligible retail customers. "Eligible retail customers" for the purposes of this Section means those retail customers that purchase power and energy from the electric utility under fixed-price bundled service tariffs, other than those retail customers

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whose service is declared or deemed competitive under Section 16-113 and those other customer groups specified in this including self-generating customers, customers Section, electing hourly pricing, or those customers who are otherwise ineligible for fixed-price bundled tariff service. "Delivery services non-eligible retail customers" for the purposes of this Section has the meaning set forth in Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. Those customers that are excluded from the definition of "eligible retail customers" shall not be included in the procurement plan electric supply service load requirements, and the utility shall procure any supply requirements, including capacity, ancillary services, energy efficiency products, and hourly priced energy, applicable markets as needed to serve those customers, provided that the utility may include in its procurement plan load requirements for the load that is associated with those retail customers whose service has been declared or deemed competitive pursuant to Section 16-113 of this Act to the extent that those customers are purchasing power and energy during one of the transition periods identified in subsection (b) of Section 16-113 of this Act.

(b) A procurement plan shall be prepared for each electric utility consistent with the applicable requirements of the Illinois Power Agency Act and this Section. For purposes of this Section, Illinois electric utilities that are affiliated by virtue of a common parent company are considered to be a

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single electric utility. Small multi-jurisdictional utilities may request a procurement plan for a portion of or all of its Illinois load. Each procurement plan shall analyze the projected balance of supply and demand for eligible retail customers over a 5-year period with the first planning year beginning on June 1 of the year following the year in which the plan is filed. The plan shall specifically identify the wholesale products to be procured following plan approval, and shall follow all the requirements set forth in the Public Utilities Act and all applicable State and federal laws, statutes, rules, or regulations, as well as Commission orders. Nothing in this Section precludes consideration of contracts longer than 5 years and related forecast data. Unless specified otherwise in this Section, in the procurement plan or in the implementing tariff, any procurement occurring in accordance with this plan shall be competitively bid through a request for proposals process. Approval and implementation of procurement plan shall be subject to review and approval by the Commission according to the provisions set forth in this Section. A procurement plan shall include each of the following components:

- (1) Hourly load analysis. This analysis shall include:
- 23 (i) multi-year historical analysis of hourly loads;
- 25 (ii) switching trends and competitive retail 26 market analysis;

Τ	(111) known or projected changes to future loads;
2	and
3	(iv) growth forecasts by customer class.
4	(2) Analysis of the impact of any demand side and
5	renewable energy initiatives. This analysis shall include:
6	(i) the impact of demand response programs and
7	energy efficiency programs, both current and
8	projected; for small multi-jurisdictional utilities,
9	the impact of demand response and energy efficiency
10	programs approved pursuant to Section 8-408 of this
11	Act, both current and projected; and
12	(ii) supply side needs that are projected to be
13	offset by purchases of renewable energy resources, if
14	any.
15	(3) A plan for meeting the expected load requirements
16	that will not be met through preexisting contracts. This
17	plan shall include:
18	(i) definitions of the different Illinois retail
19	customer classes for which supply is being purchased;
20	(ii) the proposed mix of demand-response products
21	for which contracts will be executed during the next
22	year. For small multi-jurisdictional electric
23	utilities that on December 31, 2005 served fewer than
24	100,000 customers in Illinois, these shall be defined
25	as demand-response products offered in an energy
26	efficiency plan approved pursuant to Section 8-408 of

this Act. The cost-effective demand-response measures

2	shall be procured whenever the cost is lower than
3	procuring comparable capacity products, provided that
4	such products shall:
5	(A) be procured by a demand-response provider
6	from eligible retail customers;
7	(B) at least satisfy the demand-response
8	requirements of the regional transmission
9	organization market in which the utility's service
10	territory is located, including, but not limited
11	to, any applicable capacity or dispatch
12	requirements;
13	(C) provide for customers' participation in
14	the stream of benefits produced by the
15	demand-response products;
16	(D) provide for reimbursement by the
17	demand-response provider of the utility for any
18	costs incurred as a result of the failure of the
19	supplier of such products to perform its
20	obligations thereunder; and
21	(E) meet the same credit requirements as apply
22	to suppliers of capacity, in the applicable
23	regional transmission organization market;
24	(iii) the proposed energy efficiency products for
25	which contracts will be executed during the next year.
26	The cost effective energy efficiency measures shall be

1	procured whenever the cost is lower than the combined
2	avoided costs of energy, capacity, transmission, and
3	the renewable portfolio standard for a comparable
4	volume of energy provided that the energy efficiency
5	<pre>products shall:</pre>
6	(A) be procured by a energy efficiency
7	<pre>provider from eligible retail customers;</pre>
8	(B) at least satisfy evaluation, measurement,
9	and verification standards established pursuant to
10	Section 8-103 of this Act;
11	(C) provide for reimbursement by the energy
12	efficiency provider of the utility for any costs
13	incurred as a result of the failure of the supplier
14	of such products to perform its obligations
15	thereunder; and
16	(D) meet the same credit requirements as apply
17	to suppliers of capacity, in the applicable
18	regional transmission organization market;
19	<u>(iv)</u> (iii) monthly forecasted system supply
20	requirements, including expected minimum, maximum, and
21	average values for the planning period;
22	$\underline{\text{(v)}}$ the proposed mix and selection of standard
23	wholesale products for which contracts will be
24	executed during the next year, separately or in
25	combination, to meet that portion of its load
26	requirements not met through pre-existing contracts,

including but not limited to monthly 5×16 peak period block energy, monthly off-peak wrap energy, monthly 7×24 energy, annual 5×16 energy, annual off-peak wrap energy, annual 7×24 energy, monthly capacity, annual capacity, peak load capacity obligations, capacity purchase plan, and ancillary services;

(vi) (v) proposed term structures for each
wholesale product type included in the proposed
procurement plan portfolio of products; and

(vii) (vi) an assessment of the price risk, load uncertainty, and other factors that are associated with the proposed procurement plan; this assessment, to the extent possible, shall include an analysis of the following factors: contract terms, time frames for securing products or services, fuel costs, weather patterns, transmission costs, market conditions, and the governmental regulatory environment; the proposed procurement plan shall also identify alternatives for those portfolio measures that are identified as having significant price risk.

(4) Proposed procedures for balancing loads. The procurement plan shall include, for load requirements included in the procurement plan, the process for (i) hourly balancing of supply and demand and (ii) the criteria for portfolio re-balancing in the event of significant shifts in load.

1	(c) The procurement process set forth in Section 1-75 of
2	the Illinois Power Agency Act and subsection (e) of this
3	Section shall be administered by a procurement administrator
4	and monitored by a procurement monitor.
5	(1) The procurement administrator shall:
6	(i) design the final procurement process in
7	accordance with Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power
8	Agency Act and subsection (e) of this Section following
9	Commission approval of the procurement plan;
10	(ii) develop benchmarks in accordance with
11	subsection (e)(3) to be used to evaluate bids; these
12	benchmarks shall be submitted to the Commission for
13	review and approval on a confidential basis prior to
14	the procurement event;
15	(iii) serve as the interface between the electric
16	utility and suppliers;
17	(iv) manage the bidder pre-qualification and
18	registration process;
19	(v) obtain the electric utilities' agreement to
20	the final form of all supply contracts and credit
21	collateral agreements;
22	(vi) administer the request for proposals process;
23	(vii) have the discretion to negotiate to
24	determine whether bidders are willing to lower the
25	price of bids that meet the benchmarks approved by the

Commission; any post-bid negotiations with bidders

1	shall be limited to price only and shall be completed
2	within 24 hours after opening the sealed bids and shall
3	be conducted in a fair and unbiased manner; in
4	conducting the negotiations, there shall be no
5	disclosure of any information derived from proposals
6	submitted by competing bidders; if information is
7	disclosed to any bidder, it shall be provided to all
8	competing bidders;
9	(viii) maintain confidentiality of supplier and
10	bidding information in a manner consistent with all
11	applicable laws, rules, regulations, and tariffs;
12	(ix) submit a confidential report to the
13	Commission recommending acceptance or rejection of
14	bids;
15	(x) notify the utility of contract counterparties
16	and contract specifics; and
17	(xi) administer related contingency procurement
18	events.
19	(2) The procurement monitor, who shall be retained by
20	the Commission, shall:
21	(i) monitor interactions among the procurement
22	administrator, suppliers, and utility;
23	(ii) monitor and report to the Commission on the
24	progress of the procurement process;
25	(iii) provide an independent confidential report
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1	procurement event;
2	(iv) assess compliance with the procurement plans
3	approved by the Commission for each utility that or
4	December 31, 2005 provided electric service to a least
5	100,000 customers in Illinois and for each small
6	multi-jurisdictional utility that on December 31, 2005
7	served less than 100,000 customers in Illinois;
8	(v) preserve the confidentiality of supplier and
9	bidding information in a manner consistent with all
10	applicable laws, rules, regulations, and tariffs;
11	(vi) provide expert advice to the Commission and
12	consult with the procurement administrator regarding
13	issues related to procurement process design, rules,
14	protocols, and policy-related matters; and
15	(vii) consult with the procurement administrator
16	regarding the development and use of benchmark
17	criteria, standard form contracts, credit policies,
18	and bid documents.
19	(d) Except as provided in subsection (j), the planning
20	process shall be conducted as follows:
21	(1) Beginning in 2008, each Illinois utility procuring
22	power pursuant to this Section shall annually provide a
23	range of load forecasts to the Illinois Power Agency by

July 15 of each year, or such other date as may be required

by the Commission or Agency. The load forecasts shall cover

the 5-year procurement planning period for the next

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shall include hourly procurement plan and data representing a high-load, low-load and expected-load scenario for the load of the eligible retail customers. For procurement planning periods beginning on and after June 1, 2012, the electric utility shall provide a range of annual forecasts for the 5-year procurement planning period of the total kilowatthour usage of eligible retail customers and the total annual kilowatthour usage of delivery services non-eligible retail customers in its service area. The utility shall provide supporting data and assumptions for each of the scenarios.

(2) Beginning in 2008, the Illinois Power Agency shall prepare a procurement plan by August 15th of each year, or such other date as may be required by the Commission. The procurement plan shall identify the portfolio demand-response, energy efficiency products, and power and products energy to be procured. Cost-effective and cost-effective energy demand-response measures measures shall be procured as set forth in items item (iii) and (iv) of subsection (b) of this Section. Copies of the procurement plan shall be posted and made publicly available on the Agency's and Commission's websites, and copies shall also be provided to each affected electric utility. An affected utility shall have 30 days following the date of posting to provide comment to the Agency on the procurement plan. Other interested entities also may

comment on the procurement plan. All comments submitted to the Agency shall be specific, supported by data or other detailed analyses, and, if objecting to all or a portion of the procurement plan, accompanied by specific alternative wording or proposals. All comments shall be posted on the Agency's and Commission's websites. During this 30-day comment period, the Agency shall hold at least one public hearing within each utility's service area for the purpose of receiving public comment on the procurement plan. Within 14 days following the end of the 30-day review period, the Agency shall revise the procurement plan as necessary based on the comments received and file the procurement plan with the Commission and post the procurement plan on the websites.

- (3) Within 5 days after the filing of the procurement plan, any person objecting to the procurement plan shall file an objection with the Commission. Within 10 days after the filing, the Commission shall determine whether a hearing is necessary. The Commission shall enter its order confirming or modifying the procurement plan within 90 days after the filing of the procurement plan by the Illinois Power Agency.
- (4) The Commission shall approve the procurement plan, including expressly the forecast used in the procurement plan, if the Commission determines that it will ensure adequate, reliable, affordable, efficient, and

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- 1 environmentally sustainable electric service at the lowest 2 total cost over time, taking into account any benefits of 3 price stability.
 - The procurement process shall include each of the following components:
 - (1) Solicitation, pre-qualification, and registration The procurement administrator disseminate information to potential bidders to promote a procurement event, notify potential bidders that procurement administrator may enter into a post-bid price negotiation with bidders t.hat. meet the applicable benchmarks, provide supply requirements, and otherwise explain the competitive procurement process. In addition to such other publication as the procurement administrator determines is appropriate, this information shall be posted on the Illinois Power Agency's and the Commission's websites. The procurement administrator shall prequalification process, including administer the evaluation of credit worthiness, compliance procurement rules, and agreement to the standard form contract developed pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (e). The procurement administrator shall then identify and register bidders to participate in procurement event.
 - (2) Standard contract forms and credit terms and instruments. The procurement administrator, in

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consultation with the utilities, the Commission, and other interested parties and subject to Commission oversight, shall develop and provide standard contract forms for the supplier contracts that meet generally accepted industry practices. Standard credit terms and instruments that meet generally accepted industry practices shall be similarly developed. The procurement administrator shall available to the Commission all written comments receives on the contract forms, credit terms, instruments. If the procurement administrator cannot reach agreement with the applicable electric utility as to the contract. terms and conditions, the procurement administrator must notify the Commission of any disputed terms and the Commission shall resolve the dispute. The terms of the contracts shall not be subject to negotiation by winning bidders, and the bidders must agree to the terms of the contract in advance so that winning bids are selected solely on the basis of price.

(3) Establishment of a market-based price benchmark. As part of the development of the procurement process, the procurement administrator, in consultation with the Commission staff, Agency staff, and the procurement monitor, shall establish benchmarks for evaluating the final prices in the contracts for each of the products that will be procured through the procurement process. The benchmarks shall be based on price data for similar

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products for the same delivery period and same delivery hub, or other delivery hubs after adjusting for that difference. The price benchmarks may also be adjusted to take into account differences between the information reflected in the underlying data sources and the specific products and procurement process being used to procure power for the Illinois utilities. The benchmarks shall be confidential but shall be provided to, and will be subject to Commission review and approval, prior to a procurement event.

- Request for proposals competitive procurement process. The procurement administrator shall design and issue a request for proposals to supply electricity in accordance with each utility's procurement approved by the Commission. The request for proposals shall set forth a procedure for sealed, binding commitment bidding with pay-as-bid settlement, and provision for selection of bids on the basis of price.
- (5) A plan for implementing contingencies in the event of supplier default or failure of the procurement process to fully meet the expected load requirement due to insufficient supplier participation, Commission rejection of results, or any other cause.
 - (i) Event of supplier default: In the event of supplier default, the utility shall review the contract of the defaulting supplier to determine if the

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amount of supply is 200 megawatts or greater, and if there are more than 60 days remaining of the contract term. If both of these conditions are met, and the default results in termination of the contract, then the utility shall immediately notify the Illinois Power Agency that a request for proposals must be issued to procure replacement power or energy efficiency products, and the procurement administrator shall run an additional procurement event. If the contracted supply of the defaulting supplier is less than 200 megawatts or there are less than 60 days remaining of the contract term, the utility shall procure energy efficiency products or power and energy from the applicable regional transmission organization market, including ancillary services, capacity, energy efficiency products, and day-ahead or real time energy, or both, for the duration of the contract term to replace the contracted supply; provided, however, that if a needed product is not available through the regional transmission organization market it shall be purchased from the wholesale market.

(ii) Failure of the procurement process to fully meet the expected load requirement: If the procurement fails to fully meet the expected requirement due to insufficient supplier participation or due to a Commission rejection of the procurement

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administrator, results, the procurement the procurement monitor, and the Commission staff shall meet within 10 days to analyze potential causes of low supplier interest or causes for the Commission decision. If changes are identified that would likely result in increased supplier participation, or that would address concerns causing the Commission to reject the results of the prior procurement event, the procurement administrator may implement those changes and rerun the request for proposals process according schedule determined by those parties t.o а consistent with Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and this subsection. In any event, a new request for proposals process shall be implemented by the procurement administrator within 90 days after the determination that the procurement process has failed to fully meet the expected load requirement.

(iii) In all cases where there is insufficient supply provided under contracts awarded through the procurement process to fully meet the electric utility's load requirement, the utility shall meet the load requirement by procuring power and energy from the applicable regional transmission organization market, including ancillary services, capacity, and day-ahead or real time energy or both; provided, however, that if a needed product is not available through the regional

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- (6) The procurement process described in this subsection is exempt from the requirements of the Illinois Procurement Code, pursuant to Section 20-10 of that Code.
- (f) Within 2 business days after opening the sealed bids, the procurement administrator shall submit a confidential report to the Commission. The report shall contain the results of the bidding for each of the products along with the procurement administrator's recommendation for the acceptance and rejection of bids based on the price benchmark criteria and other factors observed in the process. For procurements applicable to periods beginning on and after June 1, 2012, the report shall also include, with respect to each recommended purchase of bundled renewable energy resources as defined in Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, an allocation of the price between the price of the electricity generated by renewable energy resources and the price of the associated renewable energy credits. The procurement monitor also shall submit a confidential report to the Commission within 2 business days after opening the sealed bids. The report shall contain the procurement monitor's assessment of bidder behavior in the process as well as an assessment of the procurement administrator's compliance with the procurement process and rules. The Commission shall review the confidential reports submitted by the procurement administrator

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- 1 monitor, and shall accept or procurement reject the recommendations of the procurement administrator, including 2 3 the recommended allocation of the price of each purchase of 4 bundled renewable energy resources between the price of the 5 electricity and the price of the associated renewable energy credits, within 2 business days after receipt of the reports. 6
 - (q) Within 3 business days after the Commission decision approving the results of a procurement event, the utility shall enter into binding contractual arrangements with the winning suppliers using the standard form contracts; except that the utility shall not be required either directly or indirectly to execute the contracts if a tariff that is consistent with subsection (1) of this Section has not been approved and placed into effect for that utility.
 - The names of the successful bidders and the load weighted average of the winning bid prices for each contract type and for each contract term shall be made available to the public at the time of Commission approval of a procurement monitor. event. The Commission, the procurement the procurement administrator, the Illinois Power Agency, and all participants in the procurement process shall maintain the confidentiality of all other supplier and bidding information in a manner consistent with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, and tariffs. Confidential information, including confidential reports submitted by the procurement administrator and procurement monitor pursuant to subsection

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- 1 (f) of this Section, shall not be made publicly available and 2 shall not be discoverable by any party in any proceeding, absent a compelling demonstration of need, nor shall those 3 4 reports be admissible in any proceeding other than one for law
 - (i) Within 2 business days after a Commission decision approving the results of a procurement event or such other date as may be required by the Commission from time to time, the utility shall file for informational purposes with Commission its actual or estimated retail supply charges, as applicable, by customer supply group reflecting the costs associated with the procurement and computed in accordance with the tariffs filed pursuant to subsection (1) of this Section and approved by the Commission.
 - (j) Within 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act, each electric utility that on December 31, 2005 provided electric service to at least 100,000 customers in Illinois shall prepare and file with the Commission an initial procurement plan, which shall conform in all material respects to the requirements of the procurement plan set forth in subsection (b); provided, however, that the Illinois Power Agency Act shall not apply to the initial procurement plan prepared pursuant to this subsection. The initial procurement plan shall identify the portfolio of power and energy products to be procured and delivered for the period June 2008 through May 2009, and shall identify the proposed procurement

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administrator, who shall have the same experience and expertise as is required of a procurement administrator hired pursuant to Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. Copies of the procurement plan shall be posted and made publicly available on the Commission's website. The initial procurement plan may include contracts for renewable resources that extend beyond May 2009.

- (i) Within 14 days following filing of the initial procurement plan, any person may file a detailed objection with the Commission contesting the procurement plan submitted by the electric utility. All objections to the electric utility's plan shall be specific, supported by data or other detailed analyses. The electric utility may file a response to any objections to its procurement plan within 7 days after the date objections are due to be filed. Within 7 days after the date the utility's response is due, the Commission shall determine whether a hearing is necessary. If it determines that a hearing is necessary, it shall require the hearing to be completed and issue an order on the procurement plan within 60 days after the filing of the procurement plan by the electric utility.
- (ii) The order shall approve or modify the procurement plan, approve an independent procurement administrator, and approve or modify the electric utility's tariffs that are proposed with the initial procurement plan. The Commission shall approve the procurement plan if the

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1 Commission determines that it will ensure adequate,
2 reliable, affordable, efficient, and environmentally
3 sustainable electric service at the lowest total cost over
4 time, taking into account any benefits of price stability.

(k) In order to promote price stability for residential and commercial customers during the transition in Illinois, and notwithstanding any other competition provision of this Act, each electric utility subject to this Section shall enter into one or more multi-year financial swap contracts that become effective on the effective date of this amendatory Act. These contracts may be executed with generators and power marketers, including affiliated interests of the electric utility. These contracts shall be for a term of no more than 5 years and shall, for each respective utility or for any Illinois electric utilities that are affiliated by virtue of a common parent company and that are thereby considered a single electric utility for purposes of this subsection (k), not exceed in the aggregate 3,000 megawatts for any hour of the year. The contracts shall be financial contracts and not energy sales contracts. The contracts shall be executed as transactions under a negotiated master agreement based on the form of master agreement for financial swap contracts sponsored by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. shall be considered pre-existing contracts utilities' procurement plans for residential and small commercial customers. Costs incurred pursuant to a contract

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1 authorized by this subsection (k) shall be deemed prudently 2 incurred and reasonable in amount and the electric utility shall be entitled to full cost recovery pursuant to the tariffs 3 filed with the Commission.

(1) An electric utility shall recover its costs incurred under this Section, including, but not limited to, the costs of procuring power, energy efficiency products, and energy demand-response resources under this Section. The utility shall file with the initial procurement plan its proposed tariffs through which its costs of procuring power that are incurred pursuant to a Commission-approved procurement plan and those other costs identified in this subsection (1), will be recovered. The tariffs shall include a formula rate or charge designed to pass through both the costs incurred by the utility in procuring a supply of electric power and energy for the applicable customer classes with no mark-up or return on the price paid by the utility for that supply, plus any just and reasonable costs that the utility incurs in arranging and providing for the supply of electric power and energy. The formula rate or charge shall also contain provisions that ensure that its application does not result in over or under recovery due to changes in customer usage and demand patterns, and that provide for the correction, on at least an annual basis, of any accounting errors that may occur. A utility shall recover through the tariff all reasonable costs incurred to implement or comply with any procurement plan that is developed

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and put into effect pursuant to Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and this Section, including any fees assessed by the Illinois Power Agency, costs associated with load balancing, and contingency plan costs. The electric utility shall also recover its full costs of procuring electric supply for which it contracted before the effective date of this Section in conjunction with the provision of full requirements service under fixed-price bundled service tariffs subsequent to December 31, 2006. All such costs shall be deemed to have been prudently incurred. The pass-through tariffs that are filed and approved pursuant to this Section shall not be subject to review under, or in any way limited by, Section 16-111(i) of this Act. Beginning June 1, 2012, the costs incurred by the electric utility to purchase renewable energy credits in accordance with subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, and any excluded renewable energy resources contract costs as defined in Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, shall be recovered through the electric utility's tariffed charges for delivery services pursuant to Section 16-108 of this Act and shall not be recovered through the electric utility's tariffed charges for electric power and energy supply to its eligible retail customers.

(m) The Commission has the authority to adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this Section. For the public interest, safety, and welfare, the Commission also has

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- 1 authority to adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this 2 Section on an emergency basis immediately following the 3 effective date of this amendatory Act.
 - (n) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, any affiliated electric utilities that submit a single procurement plan covering their combined needs may procure for those combined needs in conjunction with that plan, and may enter jointly into power supply contracts, purchases, and other procurement arrangements, and allocate capacity, energy efficiency products, and energy and cost responsibility therefor among themselves in proportion to their requirements.
 - (o) On or before June 1 of each year, the Commission shall hold an informal hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on the prior year's procurement process and any recommendations for change.
 - (p) An electric utility subject to this Section may propose to invest, lease, own, or operate an electric generation facility as part of its procurement plan, provided the utility demonstrates that such facility is the least-cost option to provide electric service to eligible retail customers. If the facility is shown to be the least-cost option and is included in a procurement plan prepared in accordance with Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and this Section, then the electric utility shall make a filing pursuant to Section 8-406 of the Act, and may request of the Commission any statutory relief required thereunder. If the Commission grants all of the

1 necessary approvals for the proposed facility, such supply 2 shall thereafter be considered as a pre-existing contract under subsection (b) of this Section. The Commission shall in any 3 4 order approving a proposal under this subsection specify how 5 the utility will recover the prudently incurred costs of investing in, leasing, owning, or operating such generation 6 facility through just and reasonable rates charged to eligible 7 8 retail customers. Cost recovery for facilities included in the 9 utility's procurement plan pursuant to this subsection shall 10 not be subject to review under or in any way limited by the 11 provisions of Section 16-111(i) of this Act. Nothing in this Section is intended to prohibit a utility from filing for a 12 13 fuel adjustment clause as is otherwise permitted under Section 9-220 of this Act. 14

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17 Sec. 16-115. Certification of alternative retail electric 18 suppliers.

(a) Any alternative retail electric supplier must obtain a certificate of service authority from the Commission in accordance with this Section before serving any retail customer or other user located in this State. An alternative retail electric supplier may request, and the Commission may grant, a certificate of service authority for the entire State or for a specified geographic area of the State.

- (b) An alternative retail electric supplier seeking a certificate of service authority shall file with the Commission a verified application containing information showing that the applicant meets the requirements of this Section. The alternative retail electric supplier shall publish notice of its application in the official State newspaper within 10 days following the date of its filing. No later than 45 days after the application is properly filed with the Commission, and such notice is published, the Commission shall issue its order granting or denying the application.
- (c) An application for a certificate of service authority shall identify the area or areas in which the applicant intends to offer service and the types of services it intends to offer. Applicants that seek to serve residential or small commercial retail customers within a geographic area that is smaller than an electric utility's service area shall submit evidence demonstrating that the designation of this smaller area does not violate Section 16-115A. An applicant that seeks to serve residential or small commercial retail customers may state in its application for certification any limitations that will be imposed on the number of customers or maximum load to be served.
- (d) The Commission shall grant the application for a certificate of service authority if it makes the findings set forth in this subsection based on the verified application and such other information as the applicant may submit:

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- (1) That the applicant possesses sufficient technical, financial and managerial resources and abilities to provide the service for which it seeks a certificate of service authority. In determining the level of technical, financial and managerial resources and abilities which the applicant must demonstrate, the Commission shall consider (i) the characteristics, including the size and financial sophistication, of the customers that the applicant seeks to serve, and (ii) whether the applicant seeks to provide electric power and energy using property, plant and equipment which it owns, controls or operates;
- (2) That the applicant will comply with all applicable federal, State, regional and industry rules, policies, practices and procedures for the use, operation, and maintenance of the safety, integrity and reliability, of the interconnected electric transmission system;
- (3) That the applicant will only provide service to retail customers in an electric utility's service area that are eligible to take delivery services under this Act;
- (4)That the applicant will comply with such informational or reporting requirements as the Commission may by rule establish and provide the information required by Section 16-112. Any data related to contracts for the purchase and sale of electric power and energy shall be made available for review by the Staff of the Commission on a confidential and proprietary basis and only to the extent

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and for the purposes which the Commission determines are reasonably necessary in order to carry out the purposes of this Act;

- (5) That the applicant will procure renewable energy resources in accordance with Section 16-115D of this Act, and will source electricity from clean coal facilities, as defined in Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, in amounts at least equal to the amounts percentages set forth in subsections (c) and (d) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. For purposes of this Section:
 - (i) (blank) (Blank);
 - (ii) (blank) (Blank);
 - (iii) (blank); the required sourcing electricity generated by clean coal facilities, than the initial clean coal facility, shall be limited to the amount of electricity that can be procured sourced at a price at or below the benchmarks approved by the Commission each year in accordance with item (1) of subsection (c) and items (1) and (5) of subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act;
 - (iv) all alternative retail electric suppliers, whether certified before or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, shall execute a sourcing agreement to source electricity from the initial clean coal facility, on the terms set forth in paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (d) of

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Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, with each reference therein to "utility" being deemed to be a reference to an alternative retail electric supplier, except that in lieu of the requirements in subparagraphs (B) (v), (D) (ii), and (D) (vii) $\frac{(A)(v)}{(C)}$ (B) (i), (C) (v), and (C) (vi) of paragraph (3) of that subsection (d), shall not apply; the applicant shall execute one or more of the following:

(1) if the sourcing agreement is a power purchase agreement, a contract with the initial clean coal facility to purchase in each hour an amount of electricity equal to all clean coal energy made available from the initial clean coal facility during such hour, which the utilities are not required to procure under the terms of subsection (d) of Section 1 75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the alternative retail electric supplier's retail market sales of electricity (expressed in kilowatthours sold) in the State during the prior calendar month and the denominator of which is the total sales of electricity (expressed in kilowatthours sold) in the State by alternative retail electric suppliers during such prior month that are subject to requirements of this paragraph (5) of subsection

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(d) of this Section and subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act plus the total sales of electricity (expressed kilowatthours sold) by utilities outside of their service areas during such prior month, pursuant to subsection (c) of Section 16 116 of this Act; or

(2) if the sourcing agreement is a contract for differences, a contract with the initial clean coal facility in each hour with respect to an amount of electricity equal to all clean coal energy made available from the initial clean coal facility during such hour, which the utilities are not required to procure under the terms subsection (d) of Section 1 75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the alternative retail electric supplier's retail market sales of electricity (expressed in kilowatthours sold) in the State during the prior calendar month and the denominator of which is the total sales of electricity (expressed in kilowatthours sold) in the State by alternative retail electric suppliers during such prior month that are subject to the requirements of this paragraph (5) of subsection (d) of this Section and subsection (d) of Section 1 75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act plus the

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total sales of electricity (expressed in kilowatthours sold) by utilities outside of their service areas during such prior month, pursuant to subsection (c) of Section 16-116 of this Act;

(v) (blank); if, in any year after the first year of commercial operation, the owner of the clean coal facility fails to demonstrate to the Commission that the initial clean coal facility captured and sequestered at least 50% of the total carbon emissions that the facility would otherwise emit or that sequestration of emissions from prior years has failed, resulting in the release of carbon into the atmosphere, the owner of the facility must offset excess emissions. Any such carbon offsets must be permanent, additional, verifiable, real, located within the State of Illinois, and legally and practicably enforceable. The costs of any such offsets that are not recoverable shall not exceed \$15 million in any given year. No costs of any such purchases of carbon offsets may be recovered from an alternative retail electric supplier or its customers. All carbon offsets purchased for this purpose and any carbon emission credits associated with sequestration of carbon from the facility must be permanently retired. The initial clean coal facility shall not forfeit its designation as a clean coal facility if the facility

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fails to fully comply with the applicable carbon sequestration requirements in any given year, provided the requisite offsets are purchased. However, the Attorney General, on behalf of the People of the State of Illinois, may specifically enforce the facility's sequestration requirement and the other terms of this contract provision. Compliance with the sequestration requirements and offset purchase requirements that apply to the initial clean coal facility shall be reviewed annually by an independent expert retained by the owner of the initial clean coal facility, with the advance written approval of the Attorney General;

(vi) the The Commission shall, after notice and hearing, revoke the certification of any alternative retail electric supplier that fails to execute a sourcing agreement with the initial clean coal facility as required by item (5) of subsection (d) of this Section. The sourcing agreements with the this initial clean coal facility shall be subject to approval both approval of the initial clean coal facility by the Illinois Power Agency pursuant to paragraph (4) of subsection (d) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act General Assembly and satisfaction of the requirements of item (4) of subsection (d) of Section 1 75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, and shall be executed within 30 90 days

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after any such approval by the Illinois Power Agency or the issuance of any necessary approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, whichever is later;

(vii) The Commission shall have jurisdiction over disciplinary proceedings and complaints for violations of this Section. If, upon complaint, the Commission determines an alternative retail electric supplier has failed to execute a sourcing agreement with the initial clean coal facility, then the Commission shall issue notice of the finding to the alternative retail electric supplier. The alternative retail electric supplier shall have 30 days after the receipt of notice to enter into a sourcing agreement. If, after the notice period, the Commission finds an alternative retail electric supplier has failed to comply, then the Commission shall revoke the alternative retail electric supplier's certificate for 6 months General Assembly. The Commission shall not accept application for certification from an alternative retail electric supplier that has lost certification under this subsection (d), or any corporate affiliate thereof, for at least one year from the date of revocation;

(6) With respect to an applicant that seeks to serve residential or small commercial retail customers, that the area to be served by the applicant and any limitations it

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proposes on the number of customers or maximum amount of load to be served meet the provisions of Section 16-115A, provided, that the Commission can extend the time for considering such a certificate request by up to 90 days, and can schedule hearings on such a request;

- That the applicant meets the requirements of subsection (a) of Section 16-128; and
- (8) That the applicant will comply with all other applicable laws and regulations.

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> A retail customer that owns a cogeneration or self-generation facility and that seeks certification only to provide electric power and energy from such facility to retail customers at separate locations which customers are both (i) owned by, or a subsidiary or other corporate affiliate of, such applicant and (ii) eligible for delivery services, shall be granted a certificate of service authority upon filing an application and notifying the Commission that it has entered into an agreement with the relevant electric utilities pursuant to Section 16-118. Provided, however, that if the retail customer owning such cogeneration or self-generation facility would not be charged a transition charge due to the exemption provided under subsection (f) of Section 16-108 prior to the certification, and the retail customers at separate locations are taking delivery services in conjunction with purchasing power and energy from the facility, the retail customer on

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1 whose premises the facility is located shall not thereafter be 2 required to pay transition charges on the power and energy that 3 such retail customer takes from the facility.

- (f) The Commission shall have the authority to promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this Section. On or before May 1, 1999, the Commission shall adopt a rule or rules applicable to the certification of those alternative retail electric suppliers that seek to serve only nonresidential retail customers with maximum electrical demands of one megawatt or more which shall provide for (i) expedited and streamlined procedures for certification of such alternative retail electric suppliers and (ii) specific criteria which, if met by any such alternative retail electric supplier, shall constitute the demonstration of technical, financial and managerial resources and abilities to provide service required by subsection (d) (1) of this Section, such as a requirement to post a bond or letter of credit, from a responsible surety or financial institution, of sufficient size for the nature and scope of the services to be provided; demonstration of adequate insurance for the scope and nature of the services to be provided; and experience in providing similar services in other jurisdictions.
- (g) In any proceeding initiated by a public utility pursuant to Section 8-406 or Section 8-406.1 of this Act for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct and operate any utility plant, equipment, or facility required

- 1 to provide service to the initial clean coal facility, it shall be conclusively presumed that the public convenience and 2 necessary require the construction of such utility plant, 3 4 equipment, or facility. In any proceeding initiated by a public 5 utility pursuant to Section 8-503 of this Act for an order directing the addition, extension, or improvement of any 6 utility plant, equipment, facilities, or other property or the 7 erection of any new utility plant, equipment, or facilities to 8
- 10 conclusively presumed that such additional, extended, improved

provide service to the initial clean coal facility, it shall be

- or new utility plant, equipment, facility, or other property is 11
- necessary and should be added, extended, or erected. 12
- 13 (Source: P.A. 95-130, eff. 1-1-08; 95-1027, eff. 6-1-09;
- 96-159, eff. 8-10-09.) 14
- 15 (220 ILCS 5/16-115D)
- Sec. 16-115D. Renewable portfolio standard for alternative 16 17 retail electric suppliers and electric utilities operating
- outside their service territories. 18
- 19 (a) Until May 31, 2012, an An alternative retail electric supplier shall be responsible for procuring cost-effective 20 21 renewable energy resources as required under item (5) of
- subsection (d) of Section 16-115 of this Act as outlined 22
- 23 herein:

- 24 (1)The definition of renewable energy resources
- 25 contained in Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act

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applies to all renewable energy resources required to be procured by alternative retail electric suppliers.

- (2) The quantity of renewable energy resources shall be measured as a percentage of the actual amount of metered electricity (megawatt-hours) delivered by the alternative retail electric supplier to Illinois retail customers during the 12-month period June 1 through May 31, commencing June 1, 2009, and the comparable 12-month period in each year thereafter except as provided in item (6) of this subsection (a).
- (3) The quantity of renewable energy resources shall be in amounts at least equal to the annual percentages set forth in item (1) of subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. At least 60% of the renewable energy resources procured pursuant to items (1) through (3) of subsection (b) of this Section shall come from wind generation and, starting June 1, 2015, at least 6% of the renewable energy resources procured pursuant to items (1) through (3) of subsection (b) of this Section shall come from solar photovoltaics. If, in any given year, an alternative retail electric supplier does not purchase at least these levels of renewable energy resources, then the supplier alternative retail electric shall make alternative compliance payments, as described in subsection (d) of this Section.
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resources shall be independently verified through the PJM Environmental Information System Generation Attribute Tracking System (PJM-GATS) or the Midwest Renewable Energy Tracking System (M-RETS), which shall document location of generation, resource type, month, and year of generation for all qualifying renewable energy resources that an alternative retail electric supplier uses to comply with this Section. No later than June 1, 2009, the Illinois Power Agency shall provide PJM-GATS, M-RETS, alternative retail electric suppliers with all information necessary to identify resources located in Illinois, within states that adjoin Illinois or within portions of the PJM and MISO footprint in the United States that qualify under the definition of renewable energy resources in Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act for compliance with this Section 16-115D. Alternative retail electric suppliers shall not be subject to the requirements in item (3) of subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act.

- (5) All renewable energy credits used to comply with this Section shall be permanently retired.
- The required procurement of renewable energy resources by an alternative retail electric supplier shall apply to all metered electricity delivered to Illinois retail customers by the alternative retail electric supplier pursuant to contracts executed or extended after

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- (b) Until May 31, 2012, an An alternative retail electric supplier shall comply with the renewable energy portfolio standards by making an alternative compliance payment, as described in subsection (d) of this Section, to cover at least one-half of the alternative retail electric supplier's compliance obligation and any one or combination of the following means to cover the remainder of the alternative retail electric supplier's compliance obligation:
 - (1) Generating electricity using renewable energy resources identified pursuant to item (4) of subsection (a) of this Section.
 - (2) Purchasing electricity generated using renewable energy resources identified pursuant to item (4) of subsection (a) of this Section through an energy contract.
 - (3) Purchasing renewable energy credits from renewable energy resources identified pursuant to item (4) of subsection (a) of this Section.
 - Making an alternative compliance payment as described in subsection (d) of this Section.
 - (c) Use of renewable energy credits.
 - (1) Renewable energy credits that are not used by an alternative retail electric supplier to comply with a renewable portfolio standard in a compliance year may be banked and carried forward up to 2 12-month compliance periods after the compliance period in which the credit was

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generated for the purpose of complying with a renewable portfolio standard in those 2 subsequent compliance periods. For the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 compliance periods, an alternative retail electric supplier may use renewable credits generated after December 31, 2008 and before June 1, 2009 to comply with this Section.

- An alternative retail electric supplier (2)responsible for demonstrating that a renewable energy credit used to comply with a renewable portfolio standard is derived from a renewable energy resource and that the alternative retail electric supplier has not used, traded, sold, or otherwise transferred the credit.
- (3) The same renewable energy credit may be used by an alternative retail electric supplier to comply with a federal renewable portfolio standard and a renewable standard established under this portfolio Act. alternative retail electric supplier that uses a renewable energy credit to comply with a renewable portfolio standard imposed by any other state may not use the same credit to comply with a renewable portfolio standard established under this Act.
- (d) Alternative compliance payments.
- (1) The Commission shall establish and post on its website, within 5 business days after entering an order approving a procurement plan pursuant to Section 1-75 of Illinois Power Agency Act, maximum alternative the

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compliance payment rates, expressed on a per kilowatt-hour basis, that will be applicable in the first compliance period following the plan approval. A separate maximum alternative compliance payment rate shall be established for the service territory of each electric utility that is subject to subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. Each maximum alternative compliance payment rate shall be equal to the maximum allowable annual estimated average net increase due to the costs of the utility's purchase of renewable energy resources included in the amounts paid by eligible retail customers in connection with electric service, as described in item (2) of subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act for the compliance period, and as established in the approved procurement plan. Following each procurement which renewable energy resources through purchased for one or more of these utilities for compliance period, the Commission shall establish and post on its website estimates of the alternative compliance payment rates, expressed on a per kilowatt-hour basis, that shall apply for that compliance period. Posting of the estimates shall occur no later than 10 business days following the procurement event, however, the Commission shall not be required to establish and post such estimates more often than once per calendar month. By July 1 of each year, the Commission shall establish and post on its

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website the actual alternative compliance payment rates for the preceding compliance year. For compliance years beginning prior to June 1, 2014, each alternative compliance payment rate shall be equal to the total amount of dollars that the utility contracted to spend on renewable resources, excepting the additional incremental cost attributable to solar resources, for the compliance period divided by the forecasted load of eligible retail customers, at the customers' meters, as previously established in the Commission-approved procurement plan for that compliance year. For compliance years commencing on or after June 1, 2014, each alternative compliance payment rate shall be equal to the total amount of dollars that the utility contracted to spend on all renewable resources for the compliance period divided by forecasted load of eligible retail customers, the customers' meters, as previously established Commission-approved procurement plan for that compliance year. The actual alternative compliance payment rates may not exceed the maximum alternative compliance payment rates established for the compliance period. For purposes (d), the term "eligible retail subsection customers" has the same meaning as found in Section 16-111.5 of this Act.

(2) In any given compliance year, an alternative retail electric supplier may elect to use alternative compliance

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payments to comply with all or a part of the applicable renewable portfolio standard. In the event that alternative retail electric supplier elects to alternative compliance payments to comply with all or a part of the applicable renewable portfolio standard, such payments shall be made by September 1, 2010 for the period of June 1, 2009 to May 1, 2010 and by September 1 of each year thereafter for the subsequent compliance period, in the manner and form as determined by the Commission. Any election by an alternative retail electric supplier to use alternative compliance payments is subject to review by the Commission under subsection (e) of this Section.

(3) alternative retail electric An supplier's alternative compliance payments shall be separately for each electric utility's service territory within which the alternative retail electric supplier provided retail service during the compliance period, provided that the electric utility was subject subsection (c) of Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. For each service territory, the alternative retail electric supplier's alternative compliance payment shall be equal to (i) the actual alternative compliance payment rate established in item (1) of this subsection (d), multiplied by (ii) the actual amount of metered electricity delivered by the alternative retail electric supplier to retail customers within the service territory during the

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compliance period, multiplied by (iii) the result of one minus the ratios of the quantity of renewable energy resources used by the alternative retail electric supplier to comply with the requirements of this Section within the service territory to the product of the percentage of renewable energy resources required under item (3) of subsection (a) of this Section and the actual amount of metered electricity delivered by the alternative retail electric supplier to retail customers within the service territory during the compliance period.

- (4) All alternative compliance payments by alternative retail electric suppliers shall be deposited in Illinois Power Agency Renewable Energy Resources Fund and used to purchase renewable energy credits, in accordance with Section 1-56 of the Illinois Power Agency Act.
- (5) The Commission, in consultation with the Illinois Power Agency, shall establish a process or proceeding to consider the impact of a federal renewable portfolio standard, if enacted, on the operation of the alternative compliance mechanism, which shall include, but not be limited to, developing, to the extent permitted by the applicable federal statute, an appropriate methodology to apportion renewable energy credits retired as a result of alternative compliance payments made in accordance with this Section. The Commission shall commence any such process or proceeding within 35 days after enactment of a

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1 federal renewable portfolio standard.

- (e) Each alternative retail electric supplier shall, by September 1, 2010 and by September 1 of each year thereafter, prepare and submit to the Commission a report, in a format to be specified by the Commission on or before December 31, 2009, that provides information certifying compliance by the alternative retail electric supplier with this including copies of all PJM-GATS and M-RETS reports, and documentation relating to banking, retiring renewable energy credits, and any other information that the Commission determines necessary to ensure compliance with this Section. An alternative retail electric supplier may file commercially or financially sensitive information or trade secrets with the Commission as provided under the rules of the Commission. To be filed confidentially, the information shall be accompanied by an affidavit that sets forth both the reasons for the confidentiality and a public synopsis of the information.
- (f) The Commission may initiate a contested case to review allegations that the alternative retail electric supplier has violated this Section, including an order issued or rule promulgated under this Section. In any such proceeding, the alternative retail electric supplier shall have the burden of proof. If the Commission finds, after notice and hearing, that an alternative retail electric supplier has violated this Section, then the Commission shall issue an order requiring the alternative retail electric supplier to:

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- (1) immediately comply with this Section; and
- (2) if the violation involves a failure to procure the requisite quantity of renewable energy resources or pay the applicable alternative compliance payment by the annual deadline, the Commission shall require the alternative retail electric supplier to double the applicable alternative compliance payment that would otherwise be required to bring the alternative retail electric supplier into compliance with this Section.

If an alternative retail electric supplier fails to comply with the renewable energy resource portfolio requirement in this Section more than once in a 5-year period, then the Commission shall revoke the alternative electric supplier's certificate of service authority. The Commission shall not accept an application for a certificate of service authority from an alternative retail electric supplier that has lost certification under this subsection (f), or any corporate affiliate thereof, for at least one year after the date of revocation.

(g) All of the provisions of this Section apply to electric utilities operating outside their service area except under item (2) of subsection (a) of this Section the quantity of renewable energy resources shall be measured as a percentage of the actual amount of electricity (megawatt-hours) supplied in the State outside of the utility's service territory during the 12-month period June 1 through May 31, commencing June 1, 2009,

- 1 and the comparable 12-month period in each year thereafter
- 2 except as provided in item (6) of subsection (a) of this
- Section. 3
- 4 If any such utility fails to procure the requisite quantity
- 5 of renewable energy resources by the annual deadline, then the
- 6 Commission shall require the utility to double the alternative
- compliance payment that would otherwise be required to bring 7
- 8 the utility into compliance with this Section.
- 9 If any such utility fails to comply with the renewable
- 10 energy resource portfolio requirement in this Section more than
- 11 once in a 5-year period, then the Commission shall order the
- utility to cease all sales outside of the utility's service 12
- 13 territory for a period of at least one year.
- (h) The provisions of this Section and the provisions of 14
- 15 subsection (d) of Section 16-115 of this Act relating to
- 16 procurement of renewable energy resources shall not apply to an
- alternative retail electric supplier that operates a combined 17
- 18 heat and power system in this State or that has a corporate
- 19 affiliate that operates such a combined heat and power system
- 20 in this State that supplies electricity primarily to or for the
- benefit of: (i) facilities owned by the supplier, its 21
- 22 subsidiary, or other corporate affiliate; (ii) facilities
- 23 electrically integrated with the electrical system
- 24 facilities owned by the supplier, its subsidiary, or other
- 25 corporate affiliate; or (iii) facilities that are adjacent to
- the site on which the combined heat and power system is 26

1 located.

- The obligations specified in this Section of 2 (i) alternative retail electric suppliers and electric utilities 3 4 operating outside their service territories to procure 5 renewable energy resources, make alternative compliance payments, and file annual reports, and the obligations of the 6 Commission to determine and post alternative compliance 7 payment rates, shall terminate effective May 31, 2012, provided 8 9 that alternative retail electric suppliers and electric 10 utilities operating outside their service territories shall be 11 obligated to make all alternative compliance payments that they 12 were obligated to pay for periods through and including May 31, 13 2012, but were not paid as of that date and to file all 14 required reports for periods prior to June 1, 2012. The 15 Commission shall continue to enforce the payment of unpaid 16 alternative compliance payments after May 31, 2012 in accordance with subsections (f) and (q) of this Section. All 17 alternative compliance payments made after May 31, 2012 shall 18 be deposited in the Illinois Power Agency Renewable Energy 19 20 Resources Fund and used to purchase renewable energy credits, in accordance with Section 1-56 of the Illinois Power Agency 21 22 Act. (Source: P.A. 96-33, eff. 7-10-09; 96-159, eff. 8-10-09; 23 96-1437, eff. 8-17-10.) 24
- 25 (220 ILCS 5/16-116)

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- 1 Sec. 16-116. Commission oversight of electric utilities serving retail customers outside their service areas 2 providing competitive, non-tariffed services. 3
 - (a) An electric utility that has a tariff on file for delivery services may, without regard to any otherwise applicable tariffs on file, provide electric power and energy to one or more retail customers located outside its service area, but only to the extent (i) such retail customer (A) is eliqible for delivery services under any delivery services tariff filed with the Commission by the electric utility in whose service area the retail customer is located and (B) has either elected to take such delivery services or has paid or contracted to pay the charges specified in Sections 16-108 and 16-114, or (ii) if such retail customer is served by a municipal system or electric cooperative, the customer is eligible for delivery services under the terms and conditions for such service established by the municipal system or electric cooperative serving that customer.
 - (b) An electric utility may offer any competitive service to any customer or group of customers without filing contracts with or seeking approval of the Commission, notwithstanding any rule or regulation that would require such approval. Commission shall not increase or decrease the prices, and may not alter or add to the terms and conditions for the utility's competitive services, from those agreed to by the electric Non-tariffed, utility and the customer or customers.

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- 1 competitive services shall not be subject to the provisions of 2 the Electric Supplier Act or to Articles V, VII, VIII or IX of the Act, except to the extent that any provisions of such 3 4 Articles are made applicable to alternative retail electric 5 suppliers pursuant to Sections 16-115 and 16-115A, but shall be 6 subject to the provisions of subsections (b) through (q) of 7 Section 16-115A, and Section 16-115B to the same extent such 8 provisions are applicable to the services provided by 9 alternative retail electric suppliers.
 - (c) Electric utilities serving retail customers outside their service areas shall be subject to the requirements of paragraph (5) of subsection (d) of Section 16-115 of the Public Utilities Act, except that the numerators referred to in that subsection (d) shall be the utility's retail market sales of electricity (expressed in kilowatthours sold) in the State outside of the utility's service territory in the prior month.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 95-1027, eff. 6-1-09.)
- Section 900. Severability. The provisions of this Act are severable under Section 1.31 of the Statute on Statutes.".