



Illinois Power Agency Long-Term Clean Energy Procurement Framework Workshop 2 Reminder and Third Stakeholder Question Set

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This announcement serves as a reminder that the Illinois Power Agency will be holding a stakeholder workshop on June 4, 2026, from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. CT. This workshop will seek stakeholder feedback and information to help inform the development of a long-term clean energy procurement construct as defined in Section 16-111.5(b-10) of the Illinois Public Utilities Act as modified through Public Act 104-0458 (colloquially known as the Clean and Reliable Grid Affordability Act, or “CRGA”).

Additionally, the IPA is releasing its *third* “Request for Comments” to obtain additional, expanded stakeholder input to inform the development of the long-term clean energy procurement framework design itself. This third set of stakeholder questions is in follow-up to the second set released in late April and dives deeper into framework and product design that the Agency could consider. A link to the registration and presentation materials for the second workshop is below, with the third question set and their accompanying instructions further in the document.

Workshop 2

- [Register here](#)
- [Presentation materials](#)
- [Stakeholder responses](#) from the second “Request for Comments”
- Date: June 4, 2026
- Time: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. CT

Background & Introduction

Following the passage of the Clean and Reliable Grid Affordability Act (CRGA), sub-section (b-10) of Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act directs the IPA to consider the procurement of long term contracts for “energy, capacity, environmental attributes, resource adequacy attributes, or some combination thereof intended to serve all retail customers” upon an identification of need through the resource adequacy report (developed under Section 9.15(o) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act) or the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) process implemented through CRGA.

The IPA, the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC), and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) have conducted modeling and analysis as directed through Section 9.15(o), culminating in a Resource Adequacy Study report (issued December 15, 2025) which concluded that a resource adequacy shortfall could occur across the time period studied. With this finding constituting a potential identification of need, the IPA is beginning this stakeholder process to solicit feedback and information to support development of a potential Section 16-111.5(b-10) procurement framework.



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The IPA will host the second workshop on June 4 from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. CT. Throughout this process, materials will be posted to the IPA's [Stakeholder Engagement](#) web page.

The Agency issued its [second question set](#) on April 29 with comments due May 14. Submitted responses are posted on the [Stakeholder Engagement](#) web page. The third set of stakeholder questions are detailed below. The Agency requests that stakeholder responses are detailed, providing links or reference materials where appropriate in response to the questions. The Agency requests that stakeholder responses are detailed, providing links or reference materials where appropriate in response to the questions.

Long Term Clean Energy Procurement Request for Comments – Set 3

Response Schedule

Stakeholder Question Set 3 Issuance: May 28, 2026

Stakeholder Responses: Due to IPA by Thursday, June 11, 2026, by 5:00 p.m. CT

Additional Stakeholder Response Instructions:

- All responses are to be submitted to the IPA at: IPA.ContactUS@illinois.gov
- Responses shall include the following header in the email “subject” line:
 - [Stakeholder Name] Response – LTCEP Question Set 3
- Confidentiality
 - Responses provided will be posted to the IPAs website and viewable by external parties. Stakeholders are encouraged to provide responses that are not confidential or proprietary; however, the Agency will protect any confidential or proprietary data and information if it is properly labeled.
 - Any written responses, data, attachments or other information submitted by stakeholders that is confidential **must** be labeled as such.
 - If any response is confidential, stakeholders **shall** provide two copies of the responses – 1) the original, confidential version (clearly labeled) to be reviewed by the Agency (*not be posted publicly*), and 2) a redacted version of the responses which will be posted publicly on the Stakeholder Engagement webpage.
 - If confidential documents are included as attachments accompanying any responses to a question, stakeholders must clearly denote the confidentiality in the document name and in the reference to the document in the written response. Such documents will not be posted publicly.



Request for Comments - Question Set 3

In the [second stakeholder question set](#), the Agency specifically sought to understand stakeholder expectations concerning use of the long-term clean energy procurement mechanism to understand how a product is specifically defined, the cadence of prospective procurement events, how to establish guidelines, how products are evaluated, and what limitation or restrictions should be placed on prospective products.

The following questions build upon question set two, now seeking to understand what components of this mechanism should be detailed in the 2027 Electricity Procurement Plan, if there are any statutory refinements needed to better align this mechanism with policy objectives, in what ways this mechanism links to the IRP, how costs should be allocated to Illinois customers and if any procurement should be conducted before the completion of the IRP.

- ❖ **Question 1:** What components of the new procurement mechanism framework should be detailed in the 2027 EPP, and why? What components should be deferred to being detailed in the 2028 EPP or 2029 EPP, after the first IRP will have been released and litigated, and why?
- ❖ **Question 2:** Are there any adjustments or refinements to the statutory framework that would better align the mechanism with its intended policy objectives?
- ❖ **Questions 3:** Aside from need determination, in what other ways should this procurement mechanism link to the IRP or Resource Adequacy Study / Mitigation Plan processes?
- ❖ **Question 4:** How should costs be allocated to Illinois customers and via what type of mechanism(s)? Should different procurement products warrant different cost allocation approaches? Should existing contracts and position be considered, and if so, how?
- ❖ **Question 5:** Given the IRP and mitigation plan studies will not be completed ahead of the 2027 EPP, should there be any procurement conducted under this mechanism in advance of the final studies? If so, why? How should the need be determined? What considerations (if any) should be part of this procurement decision and process that may differ from future procurements performed after subsequent planning processes such as IRP and Mitigation Plan?