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Committee on Environmental Protection and Energy Monthly Rule 45 Report: March 2026

Date, Time & Location of Meeting:

On March 3, 2026, at 11:00 a.m., the Committee on Environmental Protection and Energy held a meeting in Room 201 A in City Hall, Chicago, Illinois.

Roll Call:

The following committee members were present: Hadden (49), Ramirez (12), Lopez (15), Tabares (23), Sigcho-Lopez (25), Rodriguez-Sanchez (33), Conway (34), Knudsen (43), Lawson (44), Martin (47), Manaa-Hoppenworth (48).

Remote Participation: Cruz (30) & Reilly (42)

The following members were absent: LaSpata (1) & Clay (46)

Non-members present: Villegas (36), Sposato (38).

Mitts (37) participated virtually.

Public Comment:

There were **10** public speakers

There were **3** written comments:

- Written comment and complementary file with appendix by Saad Siddique
- IUOE Local 150
- John Paul Jones & Janet Bell

The Committee addressed the following items:

1. Rule 59 approval for virtual participation:

Chair Hadden called for a roll call to establish a quorum. After establishing a quorum, the Chair called for a vote to allow remote participation for members of the Committee on Environmental Protection and Energy, Ald. Cruz (30) and Ald. Reilly (42), and for remote participation for non-member Ald. Mitts (37). Vice Chair Knudsen so moved to allow remote participation, which was approved by voice vote.

2. February 2025 Rule 45 Report approval:

Chairwoman Hadden requested a motion to approve Rule 45 for February 2026. Alderman Lawson so moved, and the approval of the February 2026 Rule 45 was accepted without objection.

3. Subject matter hearing on Peoples Gas' Pipe Retirement Program (PRP) updates and its rate increase filing before the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC)

No votes taken

Several representatives joined the City Council to provide testimony and answer questions on Peoples Gas' Pipe Retirement Program (PRP) updates and its rate increase filing before the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC)

- Maria Bocanegra- President of Peoples Gas
- Leighton McCoy - Peoples Gas
- Sean Gaurige- Representing Local 18007
- Abraham Scarr- State Director and Energy and Utilities Program Director from the Illinois Public Interest Group

Representatives responded to all questions, and the question-and-answer period concluded.

Having no further business before the committee, Chairwoman Hadden requested a motion to adjourn. Alderman Martin so moved; hearing no objections, Chairwoman Hadden adjourned the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Maria E. Hadden, Chairwoman
Committee on Environmental Protection & Energy