

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

**ITC MIDWEST LLC, a Michigan limited liability company**  
(company name)

DOCKET NO. E-20994

AMENDMENT NO. 14

**PETITION FOR FRANCHISE OR AMENDMENT OF FRANCHISE USING THE ABBREVIATED ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINE FRANCHISE PROCESS**

COMES NOW **ITC MIDWEST LLC, a Michigan limited liability company**, authorized to transact business in the State of Iowa, and whose address is **123 5<sup>th</sup> Street Southeast, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401**, and petitions the Utilities Board (Board) for authority to erect, maintain and operate an electric transmission line in **Linn** County, Iowa, as provided in Iowa Code chapter 478 (2011) as amended, using the abbreviated franchise process established as provided in Iowa Code 478.1(5).

\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant requests a franchise be granted to permit the rebuilding of \_\_\_\_\_ miles of existing electric line currently operated at a nominal voltage of 34,500 volts to be capable of operation at a nominal voltage of 69,000 volts.

XX Applicant requests that an amendment of franchise be granted to permit the rebuilding of **5.03** miles of electric line currently operated at a nominal voltage of 34,500 volts to be capable of operation at a nominal voltage of 69,000 volts.

On **July 19, 1996**, franchise or extension of franchise Number **16945** was granted to **IES Utilities, Inc.** in Docket No. E-**20994**. The franchise that would be affected by the proposed amendment presently authorizes (using circuit miles):

- a. 71.725 miles of line capable of operating at a maximum voltage of **36,230** volts, and
- b. 75.805 miles of line capable of operating at a maximum voltage of **72,500** volts, and
- c. 26.12 miles of line capable of operating at a maximum voltage of **121,000** volts, and
- d. 48.44 miles of line capable of operating at a maximum voltage of **169,000** volts, and
- e. 4.50 miles of line capable of operating at a maximum voltage of **360,000** volts.

Construction of this proposed line is proposed to commence by **July 1, 2013**. For those portions of the proposed line to be located on private property, **0** easements have been obtained of the total of **0** required.

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## I

Petitioner asserts that the proposed line is eligible for the abbreviated franchise process, is necessary to serve a public use, represents a reasonable relationship to an overall plan of transmitting electricity in the public interest, and will comply with all laws and regulations administered by the Board, and submits the following attached exhibits as required by subrule 199 IAC 11.2(3), which are made a part of this petition and incorporated herein by reference:

Exhibit "A", a legal description of the route over which the proposed electric line would be constructed.

Exhibit "B", a map showing the proposed route and such other natural or man-made features as are pertinent or required.

Exhibit "C", engineering specifications and technical information showing the proposed type and manner of construction, on the forms specified by the Board.

Exhibit "D", describing the project in sufficient detail to confirm that it is eligible for the abbreviated process, describing the need for and the public use that would be served by the proposed line, the information and allegations required by 199 Iowa Administrative Code § 11.2(3)d, and other information pertinent to the project and this petition.

Exhibit "E", a statement confirming that the right of eminent domain is not requested to obtain the right-of-way necessary for this project.

Exhibit "F", a showing that petitioner has mailed the required notification of the proposed project to potentially affected parties.

Exhibit "G", the form of notice to be sent to owners of and persons residing on property where construction will occur.

## II

The proposed line will be constructed and maintained in conformance with the requirements of 199 Iowa Administrative Code chapter 25 "Iowa Electrical Safety Code," including amendments, and with the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 478.

## III

Petitioner agrees to pay all costs and expenses of the franchise proceeding, whether or not objections are filed, including costs of inspections or examinations of the route, hearing, salaries, publishing of notice, and any other expenses reasonably attributable to the proceeding.

## IV

Petitioner accepts that the provisions of all laws and regulations relating to public utilities, franchises, and transmission lines, which are in force or which may be hereafter enacted, shall apply to its existing line or lines, franchises, and rights with the same force and effect as if the franchise had been granted, or the lines constructed, or rights obtained under the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 478, and amendments thereto.

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Petitioner requests that the Board consider and take appropriate action on this petition.

Dated this **13th** day of **February, 2013**.

**ITC Midwest llc**

(Company)

By **Douglas C. Collins**

(Name)

**President**

(Title)

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ss:

I,   Douglas C. Collins  , state under oath that I am

  President   of Petitioner named above and that I have  
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authority to execute this instrument and that I have read the Petition, know the  
contents, and that the statements are true and correct.

  /s/ Douglas C. Collins    
(Signature of Affiant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me by **Douglas C. Collins**, this **13th** day of **February**,  
**2013**.

  /s/ Gary G. Quade    
Notary Public – Gary G. Quade  
My Commission Expires November 26, 2014

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