

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: INFORMATION REGARDING RESTORATION OF ELECTRIC POWER AFTER DERECHO	DOCKET NO. SPU-2020-0010, RE-3904
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**ORDER REQUIRING INFORMATION REGARDING PERMANENT REPAIRS TO
STORM-DAMAGED FACILITIES AND GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT TO
REQUIRED MAPS**

Beginning on August 14, 2020, the Utilities Board (Board) required electric utilities and electric transmission companies to file updates regarding the restoration of electric service that was damaged during the severe storm of August 10, 2020. The primary focus of the reporting and information provided by the utilities and transmission companies has been on providing information regarding restoration of electric power to customers as quickly as possible. The Board understands that restoring electric power to facilities and customers has required enormous effort.

During disaster recovery, restoring power to customers is the highest priority of the utilities and the Board. Electric facilities in Iowa are required to comply with the Iowa Electrical Safety Code, 199 Iowa Administrative Code chapter 25, and the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC). All repairs and reconstruction performed are required to comply with chapter 25 and the NESC.

To ensure ITC Midwest LLC's (ITC Midwest) electrical facilities comply with regulatory and safety requirements, the Board is requesting information from ITC

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Midwest about damage to and the repair or reconstruction of its electrical facilities. The information requested is shown on the attached Excel spreadsheet, Attachment A, which is incorporated into this order by reference. ITC Midwest will be required to fill out the Excel spreadsheet and file the information in Docket No. RE-3940. ITC Midwest also will be required to provide a system map identifying the location of damaged electric facilities which have been repaired or reconstructed. ITC Midwest is required to send the map to the Board Duty Officer email, dutyofficer@iub.iowa.gov, and provide the map separately to the Office of Consumer advocate (OCA), a division of the Iowa Department of Justice.

Iowa Code § 22.7 requires certain public records to be held confidential, except when otherwise ordered by a court. Iowa Code § 22.7(50) identifies as a category of confidential public records:

Information and records concerning physical infrastructure, cyber security, critical infrastructure, security procedures, or emergency preparedness developed, maintained, or held by a government body for the protection of life or property, if disclosure could reasonably be expected to jeopardize such life or property.

Iowa Code § 22.7(71) identifies as a category of confidential public records:

Information and records related to cyber security information or critical infrastructure, the disclosure of which may expose or create vulnerability to critical infrastructure systems, held by the utilities board of the department of commerce or the department of homeland security and emergency management for purposes relating to the safeguarding of telecommunications, electric, water, sanitary sewage, storm water drainage, energy, hazardous liquid, natural gas, or other critical infrastructure systems.

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The system map provided to the Board and OCA by ITC Midwest will contain information which may include temporary repairs to critical infrastructure. If the system map were made available to the public, it could expose vulnerabilities in ITC Midwest's transmission system and could jeopardize ITC Midwest's property. The system map may also disclose areas of the transmission system which are the most susceptible to damage at this time. For those reasons, the Board will hold the map confidential pursuant to Iowa Code §§ 22.7(50) and 22.7(71).

ITC Midwest will be required to file the completed Excel spreadsheet in its Docket No. RE-3904 and provide the map to the Board and OCA within 30 days of the date of this order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. ITC Midwest LLC shall complete Attachment A to this order and file the completed spreadsheet in Docket No. RE-3904 within 30 days of the date of this order and shall update the spreadsheet as necessary.
2. ITC Midwest LLC shall email a map, in the form of a KMZ file, identifying the damaged portions of its transmission lines, to the Utilities Board Duty Officer email address, dutyofficer@iub.iowa.gov, and the Office of Consumer Advocate, a division of the Iowa Department of Justice, within 30 days of the date of this order and shall update the map as necessary.

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3. The map required in Ordering Clause 2 shall be afforded confidential treatment pursuant to Iowa Code §§ 22.7(50) and 22.7(71), subject to the provisions of 199 Iowa Administrative Code subrule 1.9(8).

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Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 9th day of September, 2020.