

1 AN ACT concerning public utilities.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Public Utilities Act is amended by adding
5 Section 16-107.5 as follows:

6 (220 ILCS 5/16-107.5 new)

7 Sec. 16-107.5. Net electricity metering pilot program.

8 (a) The Legislature finds and declares that a pilot
9 program to provide net energy metering, as defined in this
10 Section, for eligible customers can encourage private
11 investment in renewable energy resources, stimulate economic
12 growth, enhance the continued diversification of Illinois'
13 energy resource mix, and protect the Illinois environment.

14 (b) As used in this Section, (i) "eligible customer"
15 means a retail residential or business customer that owns and
16 operates a solar or wind electrical generating facility with
17 a capacity of not more than 40 kilowatts that is located on
18 the customer's premises and is intended primarily to offset
19 part or all of the customer's own electrical requirements and
20 (ii) "net energy metering" means the measurement, during the
21 billing period applicable to an eligible customer, of the net
22 amount of electricity delivered by an electric utility to the
23 customer's premises or provided to the electric utility by
24 the customer.

25 (c) An electric utility shall establish a net electrical
26 energy metering pilot program for its eligible customers. An
27 electric utility shall establish separate pilot programs for
28 its residential customers and its business customers.
29 However, if an electric utility has conducted a net
30 electrical energy metering pilot program for either its
31 residential customers or its business customers, or both, and

1 the pilot program was initiated before the effective date of
2 this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, the
3 electric public utility need only file the report required
4 under subsection (d).

5 (d) An electric utility shall report the results of its
6 pilot programs to the Commerce Commission by July 1, 2004.
7 The Commission shall provide a summary and an analysis of the
8 reports to the General Assembly no later than September 1,
9 2004.

10 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
11 becoming law.