

Acceptable Modifications to the Post-Bid Letter of Credit (Option 1)

This document contains a final list of modifications to the Post-Bid Letter of Credit (Option 1) that are ACCEPTABLE to Ameren Illinois Company, Commonwealth Edison Company, and MidAmerican Energy Company on an optional basis.

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Original Introductory Text

IRREVOCABLE STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT FORM
DATE OF ISSUANCE: _____

[Address]

Re: Credit No. _____

Acceptable Modifications to Introductory Text

Original Paragraph 1

We, _____ (the "Issuing Bank"), hereby establish our Irrevocable Transferable Standby Letter of Credit (the "Letter of Credit") in favor of _____ (you, the "Beneficiary") for the account of _____ (the "Account Party"), for the aggregate amount not exceeding _____ United States Dollars (\$ _____), available to you at sight upon demand at our counters at _____ [designate Issuing Bank's location for presentments] on or before the expiration hereof against presentation to us of one or more of the following statements, dated and signed by an Authorized Officer of the Beneficiary:

1. "An Event of Default (as defined in the Renewable Energy Credit Agreement dated as of _____ between [Beneficiary Name] ("Beneficiary") and [Account Party's Name] ("Account Party"), as the same may be amended (the "REC Contract")) has occurred and is continuing with respect to Account Party under the REC Contract and no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing with respect to the Beneficiary of this Letter of Credit. Wherefore, the undersigned does hereby demand payment of _____ United States Dollars (\$ _____) [or the entire undrawn amount of the Letter of Credit]";
2. "An Early Termination Date (as defined in the Renewable Energy Credit Agreement dated as of _____ between [Beneficiary Name] ("Beneficiary") and [Account Party's Name] ("Account Party"), as the same may be amended (the "REC Contract")) has occurred and is continuing with respect to Account Party under the REC Contract and no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing with respect to the Beneficiary of this Letter of Credit. Wherefore, the undersigned does hereby demand payment of _____ United States Dollars (\$ _____) [or the entire undrawn amount of the Letter of Credit]"; or
3. "The expiration date of your Letter of Credit is less than twenty (20) days from the date of this statement, and Account Party under such Letter of Credit is required, but has failed, to provide a replacement letter of credit or other collateral beyond such expiration date in accordance with, and to assure performance of, its obligations under the Renewable Energy Credit Agreement between Account Party and the Beneficiary of the Letter of Credit (as the same may be amended, the "REC Contract"). No event of default has occurred and is continuing under the REC Contract with respect to the Beneficiary. Wherefore, the undersigned does hereby demand payment of _____ United States Dollars (\$ _____) [or the entire undrawn amount of the Letter of Credit]".

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1. "An Event of Default (as defined in the Renewable Energy Credit Agreement

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dated as of _____ between [Beneficiary Name] (“Beneficiary”) and [Account Party’s Name] (“Account Party”), as the same may be amended (the “REC Contract”)) has occurred and is continuing with respect to Account Party under the REC Contract and no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing with respect to the Beneficiary of this Letter of Credit. Wherefore, the undersigned does hereby demand payment of _____ United States Dollars (\$_____) [or the entire undrawn amount of the Letter of Credit]”;

2. “An Early Termination Date (as defined in the Renewable Energy Credit Agreement dated as of _____ between [Beneficiary Name] (“Beneficiary”) and [Account Party’s Name] (“Account Party”), as the same may be amended (the “REC Contract”)) has occurred and is continuing with respect to Account Party under the REC Contract and no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing with respect to the Beneficiary of this Letter of Credit. Wherefore, the undersigned does hereby demand payment of _____ United States Dollars (\$_____) [or the entire undrawn amount of the Letter of Credit]”; or

3. “The expiration date of your Letter of Credit is less than twenty (20) days from the date of this statement, and Account Party under such Letter of Credit is required, but has failed, to provide a replacement letter of credit or other collateral beyond such expiration date in accordance with, and to assure performance of, its obligations under the Renewable Energy Credit Agreement between Account Party and the Beneficiary of the Letter of Credit (as the same may be amended, the “REC Contract”). No event of default has occurred and is continuing under the REC Contract with respect to the Beneficiary. Wherefore, the undersigned does hereby demand payment of _____ United States Dollars (\$_____) [or the entire undrawn amount of the Letter of Credit]”.

Original Paragraph 2

This Letter of Credit shall expire on _____. It is a condition of this Letter of Credit that it will be automatically extended for one year periods (to the immediately following anniversary of its then current expiration date) following its then current expiration date, unless at least sixty (60) days before its then current expiration date, we notify you, by electronic means to _____ Attn: _____ that we do not intend to extend this Letter of Credit; provided that the original notice shall be simultaneously forwarded by overnight courier service to you at the above address; provided further that the failure of the courier service to timely deliver shall not affect the efficacy of the notice.

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- 2.1 This Letter of Credit shall expire on _____. It is a condition of this Letter of Credit that it will be automatically extended for one year periods (to the immediately following anniversary of its then current expiration date) following its then current expiration date, unless at least sixty (60) days before its then current expiration date, we notify you, by electronic means to _____ Attn: _____ that we do not intend to extend this Letter of Credit; provided that the original notice shall be ~~simultaneously~~ forwarded by overnight courier service to you at the above address; provided further that the failure of the courier service to timely deliver shall not affect the efficacy of the notice.
- 2.2 This Letter of Credit shall expire on _____. It is a condition of this Letter of Credit that it will be automatically extended for one year periods (to the immediately following anniversary of its then current expiration date) following its then current expiration date, unless at least sixty (60) calendar days before its then current expiration date, we notify you, by electronic means to _____ Attn: _____ that we do not intend to extend this Letter of Credit; provided that the original notice shall be simultaneously forwarded by overnight courier service to you at the above address; provided further that the failure of the courier service to timely deliver shall not affect the efficacy of the notice.

Original Paragraph 3

The amount which may be drawn by you under this Letter of Credit shall be automatically reduced by the amount of any drawings paid by the Issuing Bank. Partial drawings and multiple presentations are permitted hereunder.

Acceptable Modifications to Paragraph 3

- 3.1 The amount which may be drawn by you under this Letter of Credit shall be automatically reduced by the amount of any drawings paid by the Issuing Bank. Partial drawings and multiple presentations are permitted hereunder.

We hereby agree to honor a drawing hereunder made in compliance with this Letter of Credit by transferring in immediately available funds the amount specified to us in connection with such drawing to such account at such bank in the United States as you may specify in your drawing. If the drawing is presented to us at such address by 12:00 noon, [] time on any Business Day, payment will be made not later than our close of business on second succeeding business day and if such drawing is so presented to us after 12:00 noon, [] time on any Business Day, payment will be made on the third succeeding Business Day. In clarification, we agree to honor the drawing as specified in the preceding sentences, without regard to the truth or falsity of the assertions made therein.

Original Paragraph 4

We hereby agree with you that documents drawn under and in compliance with the terms and conditions of this Letter of Credit shall be duly honored upon presentation as specified. Drafts, document(s) and other communications hereunder may be presented or delivered to us by facsimile transmission or electronic means. Presentation of documents to effect a draw by facsimile must be made to the following facsimile number: _____, and confirmed by telephone to us at the following number: _____. Presentation of documents to effect a draw by electronic means must be made to the following email address: _____ and confirmed by telephone to us at the following number: _____. In the event of a presentation via facsimile transmission, no mail confirmation is necessary and the facsimile transmission will constitute the operative drawing documents.

Acceptable Modifications to Paragraph 4

- 4.1 We hereby agree with you that documents drawn under and in compliance with the terms and conditions of this Letter of Credit shall be duly honored upon presentation as specified. ~~Drafts, document(s) and other communications~~ Drawings hereunder may be presented or delivered to us by facsimile transmission or electronic means. Presentation of documents to effect a draw by facsimile must be made to the following facsimile number: _____, and confirmed by telephone to us at the following number: _____. Presentation of documents to effect a draw by electronic means must be made to the following email address: _____ and confirmed by telephone to us at the following number: _____. In the event of a presentation via facsimile transmission, no mail confirmation is necessary and the facsimile transmission will constitute the operative drawing documents.

Original Paragraph 5

This Letter of Credit shall be governed by the Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credits, 2007 Revision, International Chamber of Commerce Publication No. 600, or any successor publication thereto (the "UCP"), except to the extent that the terms hereof are inconsistent with the provisions of the UCP, including but not limited to Articles 14(b), 16(d) and 36 of the UCP, in which case the terms of this Letter of Credit shall govern. Matters not covered by the UCP shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

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Original Paragraph 6

With respect to Article 14(b) of the UCP, the Issuing Bank shall have a reasonable amount of time, not to exceed three (3) Business Days, following the date of its receipt of documents from the Beneficiary, to examine the documents and determine whether to take up or refuse the documents and shall inform the Beneficiary accordingly. With respect to Article 16(d) of the UCP, the notice required in sub-article 16C must be given no later than the banks' close of business on the third Business Day following the date of presentation.

Acceptable Modifications to Paragraph 6

Original Paragraph 7

Article 36 of the UCP as it applies to this Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit is hereby modified to provide that in the event of an Act of God, riot, civil commotion, insurrection, war or any other cause beyond our control that interrupts our business (collectively, an “Interruption Event”) and causes the place for presentation of this Letter of Credit to be closed for business on the last day for presentation, the expiry date of this Letter of Credit will be automatically extended without amendment to a date thirty (30) calendar days after the place for presentation reopens for business. Article 36 of the UCP as it applies to this Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit is hereby further modified to provide that any alternate place for presentation that we designate must be located in the United States.

Acceptable Modifications to Paragraph 7

Original Paragraph 8

We, the Issuing Bank, hereby certify that as of the Date of Issuance of this Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit our senior unsecured debt is rated “A-” or better by S&P Global Ratings (“S&P”) if rated by S&P, “A3” or better from Moody’s Investors Service (“Moody’s”) if rated by Moody’s, and “A-” or better by Fitch Ratings (“Fitch”) if rated by Fitch. We hereby certify that our senior unsecured debt is rated by at least two of S&P, Moody’s, and Fitch. If affiliated with a foreign bank, we further certify we are a U.S. branch office of such foreign bank and that as of the Date of Issuance of this Letter of Credit, our senior unsecured debt meets the ratings requirement of this paragraph.

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8.1 We, the Issuing Bank, hereby certify that as of the Date of Issuance of this Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit our senior unsecured debt is rated “A-” or better by S&P Global Ratings (“S&P”) if rated by S&P, “A3” or better from Moody’s Investors Service (“Moody’s”) if rated by Moody’s, and “A-” or better by Fitch Ratings (“Fitch”) if rated by Fitch. We hereby certify that our senior unsecured debt is rated by at least two of S&P, Moody’s, and Fitch. If [a foreign bank or](#) affiliated with a foreign bank, we further certify we are a ~~U.S.~~[state](#) branch office of such foreign bank and that as of the Date of Issuance of this Letter of Credit, our senior unsecured debt meets the ratings requirement of this paragraph.

8.2 ***Please note that this change to Paragraph 8 is only acceptable if the bank issuing the Post-Bid Letter of Credit is not a foreign bank or affiliated with a foreign bank.***

We, the Issuing Bank, hereby certify that as of the Date of Issuance of this Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit our senior unsecured debt is rated “A-” or better by S&P Global Ratings (“S&P”) if rated by S&P, “A3” or better from Moody’s Investors Service (“Moody’s”) if rated by Moody’s, and “A-” or better by Fitch Ratings (“Fitch”) if rated by Fitch. We hereby certify that our senior unsecured debt is rated by at least two of S&P, Moody’s, and Fitch. ~~If affiliated with a foreign bank, we further certify we are a U.S. branch office of such foreign bank and that as of the Date of Issuance of this Letter of Credit, our senior unsecured debt meets the ratings requirement of this paragraph.~~

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Original Paragraph 9

As used herein, the term “Business Day” means any day on which Federal Reserve Banks and Branches are open for business, such that payments can be effected on the Fedwire system and the term “Authorized Officer” means President, Treasurer, any Vice President or any Assistant Treasurer.

Acceptable Modifications to Paragraph 9

Original Paragraph 10

This Letter of Credit is transferable in whole but not in part, in accordance with the procedures in UCP 600 through the submission of a Letter of Full Transfer utilizing one of the attached forms of Letter of Full Transfer (Schedules 1-3), accompanied by the original Letter of Credit and original amendments, if any, but otherwise may not be amended, changed or modified without the express written consent of the Beneficiary, the Issuing Bank and the Account Party.

This Letter of Credit may not be transferred to any person with which U.S. persons are prohibited from doing business under U.S. Foreign Assets Control Regulations or other applicable U.S. Laws and Regulations.

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We will not make any payment under this Letter of Credit (1) to any entity or person who is subject to the sanctions issued by the United States Department of Commerce, or to whom payment is prohibited by the foreign asset control regulations of the United States Department of the Treasury, or (2) which otherwise is in contravention of United States laws and regulations.

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Original Schedule 1

Schedule 1 to Exhibit C

LETTER OF FULL TRANSFER

_____, 20____

To:
Bank Address

Ladies/Gentlemen:

RE: Credit _ Issued By_____

For value received, the undersigned beneficiary hereby irrevocably transfers to:

(Name of Transferee)

(Address)

all rights of the undersigned beneficiary to draw under the above Letter of Credit in its entirety.

By this transfer, all rights of the undersigned beneficiary in such Letter of Credit are transferred to the transferee and the transferee shall have the sole rights as beneficiary thereof, including sole rights relating to any amendments whether increases or extensions or other amendments and whether now existing or hereafter made. All amendments are to be advised direct to the transferee without necessity of any consent of or notice to the undersigned beneficiary.

The original of such Letter of Credit and original amendments, if any, are returned herewith, and we ask you to endorse the Letter of Credit and amendments on the reverse thereof, and forward these direct to the transferee with your customary notice of transfer.

Enclosed is remittance of \$_____ in payment of your transfer commission and in addition thereto we agree to pay to you on demand any expenses which may be incurred by you in connection with this transfer.

Transfer Commission Charges

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Acceptable Modifications to Schedule 1

S1.1 RE: Letter of Credit No._____ Issued By_____

Original Schedule 2

Schedule 2 to Exhibit C

LETTER OF FULL TRANSFER

Request for a Full Transfer of the below
referenced Standby Letter of Credit

[Name of the Issuing Bank]

Date: _____

Reference: _____

(Issuing Bank's Letter of Credit Number)

To: _____

(Advising Bank's Reference Number, if applicable)

"Transferring Bank"

We, the undersigned "First Beneficiary", hereby irrevocably transfer all of our rights to draw under the above referenced Letter of Credit ("Credit") in its entirety to:

(Print Name and complete address of the Transferee) "Second Beneficiary"

Advise through:

(Print Name/address of the Second Beneficiary's Bank, if known—
if left blank, the Transferring Bank will select the advising bank)

In accordance with UCP 600 Article 38 or ISP 98, Rule 6 regarding transfer of drawing rights (whichever set of rules the Credit is subject to), all rights of the undersigned First Beneficiary in such Credit are transferred to the Second Beneficiary. The Second Beneficiary shall have the sole rights as beneficiary thereof, including sole rights relating to any amendments whether increases or extensions or other amendments and whether now existing or hereafter made. All amendments are to be advised directly to the Second Beneficiary without necessity of any consent of or notice to the undersigned First Beneficiary.

The original Credit, including amendments to this date, is attached and the undersigned First Beneficiary requests that you endorse an acknowledgment of this transfer on the reverse thereof. The undersigned First Beneficiary requests that you notify the Second Beneficiary of this Credit in such form and manner as you deem appropriate, and the terms and conditions of the Credit as transferred.

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Enclosed is remittance of \$[_____] in payment of your transfer commission and in addition thereto we agree to pay to you on demand any expenses which may be incurred by you in connection with this transfer.

Transfer Commission Charges

First Beneficiary represents and warrants to Transferring Bank that (i) our execution, delivery, and performance of this request to Transfer (a) are within our powers and have been duly authorized (b) constitute our legal, valid, binding and enforceable obligation (c) do not contravene any charter provision, by-law, resolution, contract, or other undertaking binding on or affecting us or any of our properties and (d) do not require any notice, filing or other action to, with, or by any governmental authority (ii) we have not presented any demand or request for payment or transfer under the Credit affecting the rights to be transferred, and (iii) the Second Beneficiary's name and address are correct and complete and the transactions underlying the Credit and the requested Transfer do not violate applicable United States or other law, rule or regulation, including without limitation U.S. Foreign Asset Control regulations.

In the event that we fail to remit to you, following your written demand, any funds paid to us despite the Transfer, we agree to reimburse you for your reasonable costs of collecting those funds from us.

The Effective Date shall be the date hereafter on which Transferring Bank effects the requested transfer by acknowledging this request and giving notice thereof to Second Beneficiary.

WE WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY THAT WE MAY HAVE IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO OR ARISING OUT OF THIS TRANSFER.

Acceptable Modifications to Schedule 2

Original Schedule 3

Schedule 3 to Exhibit C

LETTER OF FULL TRANSFER

_____, 20__

[TRANSFEROR]

Re: Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit No. _____

We request you to transfer all of our rights as beneficiary under the Letter of Credit referenced above to the Transferee, named below:

Name of Transferee

Address

By this transfer all our rights as the transferor, including all rights to make drawings under the Letter of Credit, go to the transferee. The transferee shall have sole rights as beneficiary, whether existing now or in the future, including sole rights to agree to any amendments, including increases or extensions or other changes. All amendments will be sent directly to the transferee without the necessity of consent by or notice to us.

We enclose the original letter of credit and any amendments. Please indicate your acceptance of our request for the transfer by endorsing the letter of credit and sending it to the transferee with your customary notice of transfer.

Acceptable Modifications to Schedule 3