

LOUISIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 16, 2026
OPEN SESSION

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2026 OPEN SESSION OF THE LOUISIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION HELD IN BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA. PRESENT WERE CHAIRMAN ERIC SKRMETTA, VICE CHAIRMAN JEAN-PAUL COUSSAN, COMMISSIONER FOSTER CAMPBELL, COMMISSIONER MIKE FRANCIS, COMMISSIONER DAVANTE LEWIS, AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BRANDON FREY.

Open Session of September 16, 2026, convening at 9:00 a.m., and adjourning at 11:12 a.m., at the Galvez Building, 602 N. 5th Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, with the above-named members of the Commission and Executive Secretary Brandon Frey present.

Ex. 1	Commissioner Lewis announced that the Utility Assistance Coordination Taskforce meeting pertaining to Senate Resolution 148 will convene September 30, 2026 with more details forthcoming. Please contact Charlotte Cravins to be added to the appointee list. Chairman Skrmetta expressed condolences to Pat Patrick over the passing of his mother. He also announced that the Rule to Show Cause in Docket No. T-38069 has been continued to Thursday, October 22, 2026 upon adjournment of the October Business & Executive Meeting, which will be held at the Louisiana Supreme Court in New Orleans on October 22, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. Vice Chairman Coussan requested that the Commission refrain from scheduling meetings outside of Baton Rouge during Legislative Session. Deputy General Counsel Lauren Evans announced that the Public Utilities CLE will be held on Thursday, December 3, 2026 at the Baton Rouge City Club in Baton Rouge. More details will be announced later. Audit Manager Thomas Broady welcomed the Commission's newest auditor, Kaelan Merrifield. Commissioner Campbell thanked everyone for their support over the past several months while recovering from an illness.
Ex. 2	T-37947 - Louisiana Public Service Commission vs. Clark Moving Specialists, LLC. In re: Alleged violation of General Order dated April 3, 2008 as amended for failure to include their Louisiana Public Service Commission Common Carrier Certificate No. 8598 in all advertising. In re: Discussion and possible vote pursuant to Rule 57 on affidavit and Stipulation executed by the Carrier. On motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, with Vice Chairman Coussan and Commissioner Francis concurring, and Commissioner Campbell temporarily absent, the Commission voted to exercise its original and primary jurisdiction pursuant to Rule 57. On motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, with Vice Chairman Coussan and Commissioner Francis concurring, and Commissioner Campbell temporarily absent, the Commission voted to accept the Affidavit and Stipulated executed on August 4, 2026 for fines and fees totaling \$275.00.

Ex. 3	R-37871 - Louisiana Public Service Commission, ex parte. In re: Louisiana Advanced Nuclear Exploration Program. In re: Discussion and possible vote on Final Rule. Exhibit 27 on August 12, 2026 B&E. DEFERRED
Ex. 4	S-37932 - Delta North Louisiana Gas Company, LLC, Delta South Louisiana Gas Company, LLC and Delta Capital Gas Company, LLC. In re: Application for blanket financing authorization. In re: Discussion and possible vote on Staff Report and Recommendation. After discussion, on motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Vice Chairman Coussan, with Commissioner Francis and Commission Lewis concurring, and Commissioner Campbell temporarily absent, the Commission voted to accept the Staff Report and Recommendation, filed into the record on July 23, 2026, subject to the revisions and clarifications recommended by Delta Gas filed into the record on August 14, 2026. Present for Questions/Comments: Jim Dicharry – Louisiana Regulatory and Government Affairs for Delta Utilities
Ex. 5	U-36625 - Entergy Louisiana, LLC, ex parte. In re: Application for approval of the Entergy Future Ready Resilience Plan (Phase I). In re: Discussion and possible vote to expand the scope of United Professionals Company. After discussion, on motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted to increase UPC’s budget, due to scope expansion, for an additional \$102,500 in fees and \$2,500 in expenses for a total not to exceed budget of \$105,000. Present for Questions/Comments: Rebecca Jones – Take Back the Power and Louisiana Party for Socialism and Liberation
Ex. 6	U-37394 - South Louisiana Electric Cooperative Association, ex parte. In re: Petition for approval of abandonment of electric facilities located in Terrebonne and Lafourche Parishes pursuant to Commission General Order dated July 9, 2008 (R-30301). In re: Discussion and possible vote on Final Recommendation on Remand of the Administrative Law Judge. After discussion, on motion of Vice Chairman Coussan, seconded by Commissioner Francis, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted to accept the recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge. Present for Questions/Comments: Grady A. Covington, Jr. – Self Sara Boudreaux – Intervenor, Self Donna Boudreaux – Self

Ex. 7	U-37463 - Southwestern Electric Power Company, ex parte. In re: Application for approval to construct the Hallsville natural gas plant and to convert the Welsh Units 1 and 3 to natural gas. In re: Discussion and possible vote on Uncontested Stipulated Settlement. After discussion, on motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Commissioner Francis, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted to accept the Uncontested Stipulated Settlement filed into the record on July 27, 2026. Present for Questions/Comments: Bobby Gilliam – Counsel for SWEPCO Lynn Ferry-Nelson – Vice President of Regulatory Affairs for SWEPCO
Ex. 8	U-37859 - Claiborne Electric Cooperative, Inc., ex parte. In re: Formula Rate Plan Annual Report for test year ending December 31, 2025. In re: Discussion and possible vote on Joint Report and Draft Order. On motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Commissioner Campbell, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted to accept the Joint Report and issue the Draft Order filed into the record on August 31, 2026.
Ex. 9	U-37882 - Entergy Louisiana, LLC, ex parte. In re: Application for certification of generation and transmission resources and for other relief. In re: Discussion and possible vote on Joint Motion of Entergy Louisiana, LLC, the Alliance for Affordable Energy, and Union of Concerned Scientists to vacate the August 6, 2026 Ruling, pursuant to Rule 57. On motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted to exercise its original and primary jurisdiction pursuant to Rule 57. Chairman Skrmetta made the following motion: Because ELL, the Alliance for Affordable Energy, and the Union for Concerned Scientists have filed a Stipulation into the record on September 4, 2026, attached to the Motion to Vacate, that resolves all issues raised in the NPO’s AEO motion, as well as ELL’s Motion for Immediate Review, I move that we: 1) Grant the Motion and accept the Stipulation filed into the record on September 4, 2026; 2) Vacate the August 6, 2026 Ruling from the ALJ; and 3) Deem ELL’s pending Motion for Immediate Review moot. After discussion, on motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted accept Chairman Skrmetta’s motion. Present for Questions/Comments: Chris Justin - Self Larry Hand - Vice President of Regulatory and Public Affairs at Entergy Louisiana Susan Stevens Miller – Counsel for the Alliance for Affordable Energy & Union of Concerned Scientists In re: Discussion and possible vote on Motion for Immediate Review of Interlocutory Ruling. PULLED (Rendered moot in light of Joint Motion)

Ex. 10	U-37927 - Washington - St. Tammany Electric Cooperative, Inc., ex parte. In re: Formula Rate Plan annual earnings monitoring report for test year ending on December 31, 2025. In re: Discussion and possible vote on Joint Report and Draft Order. After discussion, on motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Commissioner Francis, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted to accept the Joint Report and issue the Draft Order filed into the record on August 24, 2026. Present for Questions/Comments: Kara Kantrow – Counsel for Washington - St. Tammany Electric Cooperative, Inc. Dane Hocott – General Manager/CEO of Washington - St. Tammany Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Ex. 11	U-37941 - The Baton Rouge Water Works Company, d/b/a Baton Rouge Water, ex parte. In re: Formula Rate Plan annual earnings report for test year ending December 31, 2025. In re: Discussion and possible vote on Joint Report and Draft Order. On motion of Vice Chairman Coussan, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted accept the Joint Report and issue the Draft Order filed into the record on August 28, 2026.
Ex. 12	Undocketed - General Solicitation of Fishman Haygood regarding certification of new large load. In re: Discussion and possible vote to retain Fishman Haygood. On motion of Commissioner Francis, seconded by Vice Chairman Coussan, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted to retain Fishman Haygood for general counseling services with jurisdictional utilities regarding non-docketed proceedings associated with new large loads at hourly rates of \$70-\$450 and hourly rates of \$70-\$475 for any proceeding seeking certification of new large loads.
Ex. 13	1) Reports - Joint Report of Low Income Affordability Working Group pursuant to Order No. U-36959. Present for Questions/Comments: Larry Hand – Vice President of Regulatory and Public Affairs at Entergy Louisiana Ryan Jones – Director of Regulatory Affairs for Entergy Louisiana Alaina DiLaura – Alliance for Affordable Energy After discussion, the Commission recognized that there were no outstanding issues with the report. - Report of Jefferson Davis Electric Cooperative regarding the construction of its new 230 kV transmission line. A video presentation was given by Jefferson Davis Electric Cooperative. Present for Questions/Comments: Kara Kantrow – Counsel for Jefferson Davis Electric Cooperative Mike Heinen – CEO of Jefferson Davis Electric Cooperative Mike Pugh – Royal Engineers & Consultants 2) Resolutions

	3)Discussions/Public Comments 4) ERSC/OMS/SPP - Discussion and possible vote to ratify interventions of Louisiana Public Service Commission in RTO-Related or other Federal Energy Regulatory Proceedings. On motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Vice Chairman Coussan, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted to ratify the actions taken in EL26-74, ER26-3169, ER26-3170, CP26-549, AD26-10, ER26-2825, ER26-3248, ER26-3309, ER26-3426, ER26-3459, and ES26-63. - Discussion and possible vote to ratify votes cast by Commissioner Francis acting as the Commission's representative on the Regional State Committee of the Southwest Power Pool. On motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, with Vice Chairman Coussan and Commissioner Campbell concurring, and Commissioner Francis abstaining, the Commission voted to ratify the votes taken by Commissioner Francis on August 3, 2026 as the Louisiana Public Service Commission representative to the SPP RSC. - Discussion and possible vote to ratify a vote cast by Commissioner Francis acting as the Commission's representative on the Board of Directors of the Organization of MISO States. On motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, with Vice Chairman Coussan and Commissioner Campbell concurring, and Commissioner Francis abstaining, the Commission voted to ratify the vote cast by Commissioner Francis on August 13, 2026, as the Louisiana Public Service Commission representative to the OMS Board of Directors. 5) Directives
Ex. 14	U-38035 - Cleco Power LLC, ex parte. In re: Discussion and possible vote on Cleco Power LLC’s Motion for Procedural Directive, pursuant to Rule 57. On motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Vice Chairman Coussan, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted to exercise its original and primary jurisdiction pursuant to Rule 57. After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Francis, seconded by Chairman Skrmetta, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted to direct the Administrative Hearings Division to establish a procedural schedule in LPSC Docket No. U-38035 that provides for Commission consideration of the Application no later than the March, 2027 Business and Executive Session; and direct the Administrative Hearings Division to serve as hearing examiner and compile a complete evidentiary record for the Commission’s <i>de novo</i> consideration, without the issuance of a formal recommendation from the presiding Administrative Law Judge. Present for Questions/Comments: Chris Justin – Self Mark Kleehammer - General Counsel & Chief Regulatory Officer for Cleco Power LLC John Shirley – Counsel for Cleco Power LLC

On motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and unanimously adopted, the Commission voted to adjourn.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The next Business and Executive Session will be held on Thursday, October 22, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at the Louisiana Supreme Court, 400 Royal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130.