



**TO: Board of Directors** **DATE: September 18, 2024**

**FROM: Jim Derwinski, CEO/Executive Director**

**SUBJECT: Fiber-Optic License Agreement with Commonwealth Edison Company –  
Metra’s Rock Island Line, Beverly Branch (RI-BB) – Chicago**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Board action is requested to execute a Fiber-Optic License Agreement (“Agreement”) with Commonwealth Edison Company (“ComEd”), on Metra’s Rock Island Line, Beverly Branch at West 94<sup>th</sup> Street (Milepost 11.63) in Chicago.

**BACKGROUND**

ComEd has requested from Metra permission to install one (1) overhead 144-count fiber-optic cable, to be located on the north side of West 94<sup>th</sup> Street in Chicago.

After installation ComEd shall maintain, operate, and repair the fiber-optic cable during the term of this perpetual Agreement.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Metra will receive an annual license fee of \$8,000 which will increase 3% annually, during the term of this Agreement. Additionally, Metra shall have the option to increase the fee in accordance with Metra’s scheduled rates or market conditions every five years during the term of this perpetual Agreement.

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