



GENERAL ASSEMBLY

STATE OF ILLINOIS

April 3, 2026

Mr. Michael Henry
ComEd
10 S. Dearborn Street, 49th Floor
Chicago, IL 60603

Dear Mr. Henry,

We are writing to express our concerns regarding the proposed ComEd substation at 1111 W. Diversey Parkway. Several of our constituents in the Diversey area have contacted us in opposition to ComEd building a substation on this property and the adverse effect it will have on the neighborhood. As their elected representatives, we echo their concerns.

The use of this acre of land for a substation is perplexing. To be clear, we understand the necessity of additional grid capacity. However, this immediate area is densely populated with residential housing and is located in close proximity to schools and day care centers.

In the opinion of many, this space is perfectly situated for housing, given the location's proximity to the ADA-accessible Diversey CTA station. As legislators, we listen carefully to our constituents and their needs. What we have heard clearly and consistently is that affordable housing is scarce, especially transit-oriented housing, which is an urgent need in our districts.

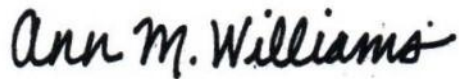
Additionally, we have attached a letter from the three aldermen whose wards are impacted by this development. We share their concerns about the classification of this development as a "minor utility." The size and scale of the proposed substation far exceed those of typical neighborhood substations, imposing greater land use impact than "minor" utilities. Also, this substation would serve a much broader area than the immediate neighborhood, bringing it in closer alignment with the definition of a "major utility."

We consider ComEd our community partner, and it is our hope that all parties agree to engage in productive dialogue regarding this project. We look forward to your response and appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sara Feigenholtz". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Sara" and last name "Feigenholtz" clearly legible.

Senator Sara Feigenholtz
6th District
State of Illinois

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ann M. Williams". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Ann" and last name "Williams" clearly legible.

Representative Ann Williams
11th District
State of Illinois