

STATE OF INDIANA

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

**VERIFIED PETITION OF SOUTHERN INDIANA GAS AND)
ELECTRIC COMPANY D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY)
INDIANA SOUTH (“CEI SOUTH”) FOR (1) AUTHORITY)
TO MODIFY ITS RATES AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC)
UTILITY SERVICE THROUGH A PHASE-IN OF RATES, (2))
APPROVAL OF NEW SCHEDULES OF RATES AND)
CHARGES, AND NEW AND REVISED RIDERS,)
INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO A NEW TAX)
ADJUSTMENT RIDER AND A NEW GREEN POWER)
RIDER (3) APPROVAL OF A CRITICAL PEAK PRICING)
 (“CPP”) PILOT PROGRAM, (4) APPROVAL OF REVISED)
DEPRECIATION RATES APPLICABLE TO ELECTRIC)
AND COMMON PLANT IN SERVICE, (5) APPROVAL OF)
NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE ACCOUNTING RELIEF,)
INCLUDING AUTHORITY TO CAPITALIZE AS RATE)
BASE ALL CLOUD COMPUTING COSTS AND DEFER TO)
A REGULATORY ASSET AMOUNTS NOT ALREADY)
INCLUDED IN BASE RATES THAT ARE INCURRED FOR)
THIRD-PARTY CLOUD COMPUTING ARRANGEMENTS,)
AND (6) APPROVAL OF AN ALTERNATIVE)
REGULATORY PLAN GRANTING CEI SOUTH A WAIVER)
FROM 170 IAC 4-1-16(f) TO ALLOW FOR REMOTE)
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PUBLIC’S EXHIBIT NO. 12-S

SETTLEMENT TESTIMONY OF OUCC WITNESS DR. DAVID E. DISMUKES

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1 **I. INTRODUCTION**

2 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.**

3 A. My name is David E. Dismukes. My business address is 5800 One Perkins Place
4 Drive, Suite 5-F, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808.

5 **Q. HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY FILED TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?**

6 A. Yes. I filed direct testimony in this proceeding on March 12, 2024, on behalf of the
7 Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor (“OUCC”).

8 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?**

9 A. The purpose of my testimony is to present an objection to the Stipulation and
10 Settlement Agreement (“Settlement Agreement”) filed jointly by Southern Indiana
11 Gas and Electric Company d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Indiana South (“CEI South”
12 or the “Company”), the CenterPoint Energy Indiana South Industrial Group
13 (“Industrial Group”) and SABIC Innovative Plastics Mt. Vernon, LLC (“SABIC”)
14 (collectively, the “Settling Parties”) on May 20, 2024. In particular, I address the
15 Settlement Agreement’s flawed provisions regarding allocated cost of service,
16 revenue distribution, and rate design.

17 **Q. HOW IS THE REMAINDER OF YOUR TESTIMONY ORGANIZED?**

18 A. The balance of my testimony is organized into the following sections:

- 19 • Section II: Overview of Settlement Agreement
- 20 • Section III: Affordability Issues
- 21 • Section IV: Allocated Cost of Service Study
- 22 • Section V: Revenue Distribution
- 23 • Section VI: Rate Design
- 24 • Section VII: Proposed TOU-CPP Pilot
- 25 • Section VIII: Conclusion and Recommendations

1 **II. OVERVIEW OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

2 **Q. PLEASE PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AS**
3 **IT RELATES TO CEI SOUTH’S OVERALL BASE REVENUE REQUIREMENT.**

4 A. The Settling Parties propose an overall base revenue requirement for CEI South
5 of \$803.9 million, or an increase in current base rate revenues of approximately
6 \$80.0 million. This represents a decrease of \$38.7 million from the Company’s
7 initial proposal or \$35.4 million from the Company’s updated request included in
8 its Rebuttal Testimony.¹ This increase in base revenue requirement is based in
9 part on an overall rate of return (“ROR”) of 6.77 percent and a forecasted end-of-
10 test year net rate base of \$2.8 billion.²

11 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AS IT RELATES TO**
12 **COST OF SERVICE AND REVENUE ALLOCATION.**

13 A. The Settling Parties propose that CEI South’s allocated cost of service study
14 (“ACOSS”) and revenue allocations be used with modifications.³ Under the
15 Settlement Agreement, CEI South’s ACOSS will be modified such that generation
16 and transmission costs are allocated to customer classes based on the average
17 class contribution to coincident peak demand during the four summer months (“4
18 CP”),⁴ and customer costs will be determined based upon the results of a minimum
19 system study (“MSS”).⁵ In terms of revenue allocation, under the Settlement
20 Agreement (1) no class receives a rate decrease as a result of this proceeding;⁶

¹ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(2)(a).

² Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(3)(a) and B(3)(c).

³ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(13).

⁴ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(13)(a).

⁵ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(13)(b).

⁶ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(13)(c)(i).

1 (2) no class receives a rate increase that is higher than CEI South proposed in its
 2 updated revenue allocation proposal included in its Rebuttal Testimony;⁷ (3) water
 3 heating customers receive a rate increase equal to 1.5 times the system average
 4 increase;⁸ and (4) all other customer classes besides water heating receive no
 5 more than a rate increase equal to 1.35 times the system average increase.⁹

6 **Q. HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT ALLOCATION AND**
 7 **COMPARED IT TO WHAT THE OUCC HAS RECOMMENDED?**

8 A. Yes, and I have tabulated the differences in Tables 1 and 2 below.

Table 1: Settlement Agreement’s Proposed Revenue Allocations

Description	Total CEI South	Residential		Small General Service (SGS)	Demand General Service (DGS)	Large Power Service (LP)	High Load Factor Service (HLF)	Lighting	
		Residential Service (RS)	Water Heating (B)					Outdoor Lighting (OL)	Street Lighting (SL)
Curent Revenues	\$ 723,922,849	\$ 319,622,569	\$ 1,759,173	\$ 14,704,649	\$ 207,073,126	\$ 167,222,380	\$ 8,607,350	\$ 1,836,828	\$ 3,096,774
Proposed Increase	80,009,617	46,840,706	291,642	1,070,331	17,955,496	13,539,857	311,586	-	-
Proposed Revenues	\$ 803,932,466	\$ 366,463,275	\$ 2,050,815	\$ 15,774,980	\$ 225,028,622	\$ 180,762,237	\$ 8,918,936	\$ 1,836,828	\$ 3,096,774
Percent Increase	11.05%	14.66%	16.58%	7.28%	8.67%	8.10%	3.62%	0.00%	0.00%
Relative Increase	1.00	1.33	1.50	0.66	0.78	0.73	0.33	0.00	0.00

Table 2: OUCC’s Alternative Proposed Revenue Allocation

Description	Total CEI South	Residential		Small General Service (SGS)	Demand General Service (DGS)	Large Power Service (LP)	High Load Factor Service (HLF)	Lighting	
		Residential Service (RS)	Water Heating (B)					Outdoor Lighting (OL)	Street Lighting (SL)
Curent Revenues	\$ 723,922,849	\$ 318,179,438	\$ 1,766,970	\$ 14,693,952	\$ 206,714,134	\$ 168,795,811	\$ 8,758,066	\$ 1,868,087	\$ 3,146,391
Proposed Increase	80,009,617	37,668,406	224,583	1,220,984	17,933,351	21,454,056	1,113,156	-	395,081
Proposed Revenues	\$ 803,932,466	\$ 355,847,844	\$ 1,991,553	\$ 15,914,936	\$ 224,647,485	\$ 190,249,867	\$ 9,871,222	\$ 1,868,087	\$ 3,541,472
Percent Increase	11.05%	11.84%	12.71%	8.31%	8.68%	12.71%	12.71%	0.00%	12.56%
Relative Increase	1.00	1.07	1.15	0.75	0.78	1.15	1.15	0.00	1.14

9 **Q. WHAT HAVE YOU CONCLUDED FROM THIS ANALYSIS?**

10 A. The Settlement Agreement proposes to increase Residential rates by \$47.1 million
 11 (14.67 percent), while the OUCC’s recommendations would increase Residential

⁷ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(13)(c)(ii).

⁸ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(13)(c)(iii).

⁹ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(13)(c)(iii).

1 rates by \$37.9 million (11.8 percent). The OUCC’s proposed allocation reduces
2 the proposed increase to residential customers by about \$9.2 million, or 19.5
3 percent when compared to the Settlement.

4 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AS IT RELATES TO**
5 **RATE DESIGN.**

6 A. The Settlement Agreement proscribes specific class-by-class customer charges
7 be applied to base rates. This includes small increases in base rate customer
8 charges for RS and small general service (“SGS”) rates from the current \$10.84
9 per month to \$11.00 per month. Importantly, the Settlement Agreement clarifies
10 that the proscribed customer charges relate only to the fixed charge included in
11 base rates without including the fixed portion of TDSIC recovery.¹⁰

12 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AS IT RELATES TO**
13 **THE PROPOSED TOU-CPP PILOT AND RIDERS.**

14 A. The Settling Parties stipulate that CEI South’s TOU-CPP Pilot be approved, along
15 with the Aggregated Demand Response (“Rider ADR”) and the Green Energy
16 Rider as proposed by CEI South in its initial filing. The Settlement Agreement
17 provides no modifications to these proposals, except that parties be provided with
18 copies of contracts with demand response aggregators after being signed.¹¹

19 **III. AFFORDABILITY ISSUES**

20 **Q. HOW DO THE SETTLING PARTIES ADDRESS AFFORDABILITY ISSUES?**

¹⁰ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(14).

¹¹ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(7)(a).

1 A. The Company in its settlement testimony argues that its rates have only increased
2 at an average 2.1 percent compound annual growth rate since July 2011,¹² and
3 that this low growth in rates will continue into the future. The Company estimates
4 that average monthly electricity bills for a customer with monthly use of 500 kWh
5 in Vanderburgh County will be \$122.42, with an electric energy burden of 2.23
6 percent for a median income household.¹³ The Company estimates that
7 customers with average monthly electricity use of 799 kWh and 1,000 kWh will
8 have average monthly bills of \$189.05 and \$233.84, respectively, with electric
9 energy burdens of 3.45 and 4.27 percent, respectively, for a median income
10 household.¹⁴

11 **Q. DOES THE COMPANY CLAIM THAT THESE RATES REPRESENT**
12 **AFFORDABLE RATES FOR ITS CUSTOMERS?**

13 A. Yes. The Company argues the three electric use amounts listed (500; 799; 1,000
14 kWh per month) when combined with an average annual natural gas bill of \$960.57
15 results in total energy burdens of 3.69, 4.91, and 5.73 percent.¹⁵ The Company
16 claims all of these results are below the six percent affordability threshold
17 presented in my Direct Testimony.¹⁶

18 **Q. DO YOU AGREE WITH THE COMPANY'S CLAIMS REGARDING THE**
19 **AFFORDABILITY OF ITS RATES?**

¹² Settlement Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 24:25-28.
¹³ Settlement Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 25:9-11.
¹⁴ Settlement Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 25:11-14.
¹⁵ Settlement Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 25:17-19.
¹⁶ Settlement Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 25:19-20.

1 A. No. The Company's settlement analysis relies on the same flawed approach
2 presented in its rebuttal. The Company's rebuttal testimony criticized my
3 affordability analysis arguing that it incorrectly (1) removed rental costs from
4 household income¹⁷ and (2) utilized data from the entire Midwest to estimate
5 income and usage rather than data from CEI South's territory.¹⁸ CEI South
6 presented individual affordability analyses for each of the seven counties it
7 operates in based on median household income and median Company electric
8 bills.¹⁹ The Company argues its electric burden is between 2.01 and 2.93 percent
9 depending on the county measured,²⁰ and that the total energy burden (i.e. both
10 electric and natural gas burden) is between 3.92 and 5.95 percent system-wide
11 depending on the assumed electric usage.²¹

12 **Q. WHY DO YOU DISAGREE WITH THE COMPANY'S AFFORDABILITY**
13 **ANALYSIS?**

14 A. The Company's affordability analysis is significantly flawed because it assesses
15 the affordability of the Company's rates to the median household (i.e. 50th
16 percentile household) customer in the counties it operates in. By definition, half of
17 the households within the Company's service territory have more difficulty paying
18 for monthly utility bills than shown by the Company's analysis. It is for this reason
19 that analyses examine affordability for low-and-moderate income households

¹⁷ Rebuttal Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 7:19-22.

¹⁸ Rebuttal Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 9:2-10.

¹⁹ Rebuttal Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 11, Table MAR-R5.

²⁰ Rebuttal Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 11, Table MAR-R5.

²¹ Rebuttal Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 13:13-16.

1 rather than average-income households, such as those existing at the 15th and
2 20th percentile of regional household incomes.

3 **Q. HAVE YOU CALCULATED REVISED ENERGY AFFORDABILITY STATISTICS**
4 **FOR THE COMPANY’S RATES?**

5 A. Yes. Exhibit DED-1-S presents eight revised statistics on electric affordability
6 based on concerns the Company expressed. These analyses calculate the
7 affordability of the Company’s rates for customers existing at 15 and 20 percentile
8 of household incomes in each of the seven counties the Company operates in and
9 for the Company system-wide. This addresses the Company’s earlier concern that
10 my analysis inappropriately used income and usage data from the Midwestern
11 region instead of data specific to the Company’s service territory. This analysis
12 also can be viewed as conservative since it removes rental costs from calculations
13 of household disposable income, even though housing costs have been viewed by
14 other regulatory commissions as a necessity that should be accounted for when
15 calculating energy burdens.²²

16 **Q. WHAT ARE THE RESULTS OF YOUR REVISED AFFORDABILITY ANALYSIS?**

17 A. Exhibit DED-1-S shows that the energy burden exceeds six percent system-wide
18 for customers at or below the 15th percentile income level and nearly exceeding
19 six percent for customers at the 20th percentile income level. On a county-specific
20 basis, the analysis shows that the Company’s rates currently exceed or will exceed
21 this six percent affordability level for households reporting income at the 15th

²² See, *Order Instituting Rulemaking Develop Methods to Assess the Affordability Impacts of Utility Rate Requests and Commission Proceedings*, California Public Service Commission Rulemaking 18-07-006, Staff Proposal on Essential Service and Affordability Metrics (August 20, 2019).

1 percentile income level in all counties with the exception of Warrick County. The
2 analysis also shows that households earning at the 20th percentile income level
3 currently exceed or will exceed the six percent energy burden in Vanderburgh,
4 Spencer, and Pike counties. Importantly, there is no universal definition of
5 “unaffordability” and the six percent threshold quoted is intended to represent a
6 level of extreme financial burden. Arguing that an energy burden of nearly six
7 percent is somehow a positive is similar to attempting to reassure a flood victim
8 that his or her circumstance is not that bad since they only got a few of feet of
9 water in their home rather than being completely submerged.

10 **IV. ALLOCATED COST OF SERVICE STUDY**

11 **A. Classification and Cost Allocation of Production Plant**

12 **Q. HOW DOES THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT CLASSIFY AND ALLOCATE** 13 **COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PRODUCTION PLANT FOR ACOSS PURPOSES?**

14 A. The Settlement Agreement continues the flawed approach of the Company’s
15 ACOSS by classifying 100 percent of fixed production plant costs as demand-
16 related, using a 4 CP approach to allocate costs to all customer classes.²³ The
17 Settlement Agreement ignores the evidence presented by myself and Citizen
18 Action Coalition of Indiana, Inc. (“CAC”) showing that electric generation units
19 (“EGUs”) are designed and built to meet both the energy and demand
20 requirements of the Company’s customers.²⁴

²³ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(13)(a).

²⁴ See Direct Testimony of David E. Dismukes at 21:14-22; and Direct Testimony of Justin Barnes at 6:13 to 7:3.

1 **Q. DO YOU AGREE WITH THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT’S CLASSIFICATION**
2 **OF ALL FIXED PRODUCTION PLANT COSTS AS 100 PERCENT DEMAND**
3 **RELATED?**

4 A. No. The Settlement Agreement’s approach continues the flawed logic of the
5 Company’s ACROSS included in its initial filing that the only purpose of EGUs is to
6 support maximum system demands during a few hours of the year, ignoring the
7 role these assets play in providing low-cost energy requirements for off-peak
8 periods on the Company’s system. Equally important, the Company’s proposed
9 classification ignores the significant portion of its current production plant in service
10 that is associated with renewable generation assets, which provide very limited
11 capacity benefits and should not be exclusively classified as demand related.

12 **Q. HOW DO EGUs BOTH SUPPORT MAXIMUM SYSTEM DEMANDS DURING**
13 **PEAK PERIODS AND PROVIDE LOW-COST ENERGY DURING OFF-PEAK**
14 **PERIODS?**

15 A. The electric utility industry is somewhat unique in that there is an energy/capacity
16 trade-off relating to production costs, requiring a utility to design a diversified set
17 of EGUs in its system dispatch that minimize both variable and fixed costs while
18 ensuring there is enough available capacity to meet peak demand requirements.
19 For example, the total capital investment cost associated with the Company’s F.B.
20 Culley Station is \$1,474 per kW of installed capacity, but it operated relatively
21 efficiently compared to other units at only \$0.05 per kWh in 2022.²⁵ At the other
22 end of the spectrum, both of the Company’s current combustion turbine units at

²⁵ See Company’s 2022 FERC Form 1.

1 A.B. Brown Station (A.B. Brown Station Units 3 and 4) have total capital investment
2 costs of approximately \$350 per kW of installed capacity. However, these
3 combustion turbine units also operated inefficiently when compared to the
4 Company's F.B. Culley Station, incurring approximately \$0.134 per kWh of
5 generation in 2022.²⁶ In this, F.B. Culley Station demonstrates characteristics of
6 a "baseload" unit that is relatively expensive to construct (more than four times the
7 cost of A.B. Brown Station Units 3 and 4), but inexpensive to operate (nearly a
8 third the operating costs of A.B. Brown Station Units 3 and 4) and, thus, designed
9 to serve steady, consistent, multi-hour energy loads, while A.B. Brown Station
10 Units 3 and 4 are peaking units that are relatively inexpensive to build, but
11 expensive to operate and, thus, designed to serve load requirements only when
12 required.

13 **Q. HOW DO THESE OPERATIONAL PARAMETERS IMPACT THE COST OF**
14 **SERVICE?**

15 A. If the sole consideration when constructing an EGU was ensuring there are
16 sufficient resources to meet peak system load requirements, as argued by the
17 Settling Parties, a prudent utility would only construct natural gas combustion
18 turbine peaking units such as A.B. Brown Station Units 3 and 4, since these units
19 are inexpensive to construct relative to the generation capacity they provide,
20 eschewing all baseload generation facilities. Of course, the expensive and likely
21 uncertain operational costs of a generation fleet comprised solely of natural gas
22 peaking units are why a utility does not configure their generation resources in

²⁶ See Company's 2022 FERC Form 1.

1 such a manner. The Michigan Public Service Commission (“MPSC”) recognized
2 this reality in a 2015 review of cost-of-service allocations for DTE Electric
3 Company.

4 The Commission agrees with the Staff, the Attorney
5 General, Energy Michigan, and [Environmental and
6 Consumer Advocates] that DTE Electric’s production
7 system was not designed and built solely for the
8 purpose of providing capacity for four hours a year.
9 Indeed, if that were the case, DTE Electric’s generation
10 asset portfolio would be very different and would
11 certainly include far fewer of the large base load units
12 that comprise much of the company’s current fleet.
13 Instead of building a system to simply meet demand,
14 the company developed its production plant to both
15 deliver energy and provide capacity at the lowest
16 overall cost to all customers who use the system.
17 Thus, DTE Electric’s generating system includes a mix
18 of base load plants that were significant investments,
19 but that provide abundant, reliable, and low-cost
20 energy to all customers, and peaking plants, with low
21 fixed production costs and typically higher fuel costs
22 than the base load units. These peaking plants are the
23 units that are used to meet peak demand in the
24 summer months.²⁷

25 **Q. HOW DO RENEWABLE EGUs IMPACT ELECTRIC SYSTEM OPERATIONS?**

26 A. Intermittent renewable EGUs are distinct from traditional fossil-fuel based
27 generation, providing very little capacity benefits due to the intermittent nature of
28 the generation source – wind turbines and solar photovoltaic cells can only
29 generate electricity when the wind is blowing or the sun is shining. However, these
30 generators produce electricity at very low costs, since these units have fuel
31 sources (i.e. wind and the sun) that are free, for all intents and purposes.

²⁷ *In re the Commission’s own motion to commence a proceeding to implement the provisions of Public Act 169 of 2014; MCL 460.11 (3) et seq., with regard to DTE Electric Company.* Case No. 17689, Opinion and Order (Mich. Pub. Serv. Comm’n June 15, 2015).

1 **Q. DOES THE COMPANY RECOGNIZE THE UNIQUE NATURE OF RENEWABLE**
2 **GENERATION UNITS COMPARED TO TRADITIONAL FOSSIL-FUEL BASED**
3 **GENERATION?**

4 A. Yes. In the Company's 2022/2023 Integrated Resource Plan ("2022/2023 IRP"),
5 the Company discussed the distinct operational concern of transitioning to
6 generation resources with limited ability to assist in meeting peak demand
7 requirements.

8 Traditionally, baseload coal plants produce energy at a
9 constant level around the clock, while peaking gas
10 plants were available to come online as needed to
11 meet peak demand. Gradual increases and decreases
12 in energy demand throughout the day and seasonally
13 were easily managed with these traditional resources.
14 As described above, the energy landscape is
15 continuing its rapid change with increased adoption of
16 more intermittent renewable generation which is
17 available when the sun is shining, or the wind is
18 blowing. This creates much more variability by hour in
19 energy production. Some periods will have over
20 production (more energy produced than is needed at
21 the time) and other periods will have low to no
22 renewable energy production, requiring dispatchable
23 resources to meet real time demand for power. MISO
24 has recognized the region's energy landscape
25 continues to evolve toward a complex, less predictable
26 future. Some of the challenges MISO faces are
27 resources that are primarily weather dependent, less
28 predictable weather, less predictable resource
29 outages, and increasing electric load. To maintain
30 reliability with a changing resource portfolio and the
31 risks MISO faces there is an increased importance of
32 ensuring there are adequate attributes available from
33 the fleet such as ramp capability, long duration energy
34 at high output, and fuel assurance. To ensure reliability
35 is maintained with the changing resource portfolio,
36 MISO implemented a seasonal resource adequacy
37 construct for the 2023/2024 planning year that focuses
38 on meeting system demand in all hours as opposed to
39 planning for meeting the summer peak demand. As

1 part of the seasonal construct thermal resource
2 accreditation has shifted from an Equivalent Forced
3 Outage Rate Demand (“EFORd”) approach to one that
4 accredits resources based on historical availability
5 during tight operating hours. Accreditation for
6 renewable resources has also seen changes with
7 MISO signaling it will continue to revise the
8 accreditation approach for renewables for upcoming
9 planning years. MISO continues to study how this
10 transition will affect the electrical grid and what is
11 needed to maintain reliable service, as renewables
12 penetrations reach 30-50%.²⁸

13 **Q. HAS THE COMMISSION PREVIOUSLY RECOGNIZED THE UNIQUE NATURE**
14 **OF RENEWABLE GENERATION UNITS COMPARED TO TRADITIONAL**
15 **FOSSIL-FUEL BASED GENERATION?**

16 A. Yes. In approving the Company’s proposal for a new generation facility, the
17 Commission explicitly recognized the requirement to maintain peaking fossil fuel
18 EGUs to ensure the Company’s ability to meet requirements during system peak
19 demand periods with the addition of intermittent resources.

20 Due to the intermittency of the renewable resources in
21 the Preferred Portfolio, resources with quick ramp
22 capabilities are necessary to complement the addition
23 of such intermittent resources to the system to ensure
24 reliability.²⁹

25 **Q. IS APPROPRIATELY ACCOUNTING FOR INTERMITTENT RENEWABLE**
26 **GENERATION IMPORTANT AT THE CURRENT JUNCTURE?**

27 A. Yes. The Commission last approved an ACROSS for the Company in 2018.
28 However, as shown in Exhibit DED-2-S, the Company includes three new EGUs

²⁸ 2022/2023 Integrated Resource Plan (May 2023) at 47 (*emphasis added*).

²⁹ *Petition of S. Ind. Gas & Elec. Co. d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Indiana South for Issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Construction of Two Natural Gas Turbines*, Cause No. 45564, Final Order at 17 (Ind. Util. Regul. Comm’n June 28, 2022).

1 in its forecasted test year rate base which were not operational in 2018. Of these
2 three, two are renewable in nature. Whereas in 2018 only 9.6 percent of the
3 Company's net production plant in service was associated with renewable
4 generation units, 53.0 percent of the Company's test year net production plant in
5 service is now associated with renewable generation units.

6 **Q. HAS THE COMPANY MADE ANY OBSERVATIONS ABOUT THE**
7 **ACCREDITED CAPACITY RATING OF INTERMITTENT RENEWABLE**
8 **GENERATION?**

9 A. Yes. The Company's 2022/2023 IRP noted that the Midcontinent Independent
10 System Operator ("MISO") has signaled that it expects capacity accreditations for
11 intermittent renewable generation resources to decline over time as more such
12 resources are brought online.³⁰ This emphasizes the need to develop a structure
13 to appropriately account for the operational differences in renewable generation
14 versus traditional fossil fuel generation for cost-of-service purposes at the current
15 juncture.

16 MISO has shifted from 96% dispatchable generation
17 (all forms of generation except renewables) in 2005 to
18 approximately 76% currently and is forecasted to be
19 greater than 40% renewables in 2031. In response to
20 these conditions MISO commenced its Resource
21 Availability and Need ("RAN") Initiative and its
22 Renewable Integration Impact Assessment ("RIIA") to
23 plan market rule changes to deal with the future
24 resource mix. The RAN Initiative is aimed at better
25 accrediting generation units while the RIIA is focused
26 on understanding the impacts of renewable energy
27 growth in MISO over the long term and assessing
28 potential transmission solutions to mitigate them. While
29 MISO continues to evaluate methodologies for future
30 intermittent resource accreditation, it has signaled

³⁰ 2022/2023 Integrated Resource Plan (May 2023) at 151.

1 accreditation will likely decline over time, particularly
2 for solar resources, as more renewable resources are
3 brought into service.³¹

4 **Q. DOES THE ALTERNATIVE ACROSS PROPOSED IN YOUR DIRECT**
5 **TESTIMONY APPROPRIATELY ACCOUNT FOR THE OPERATIONAL**
6 **DIFFERENCES IN RENEWABLE GENERATION VERSUS TRADITIONAL**
7 **FOSSIL FUEL-BASED GENERATION?**

8 A. Yes. As explained in my Direct Testimony, MISO's current process for accrediting
9 solar photovoltaic resources is based on three years of historical output, with new
10 solar resources accredited at 50 percent of nameplate capacity for spring, summer,
11 and fall months.³² Using this information, I determined 26.2 percent of the
12 Company's test year net plant in service should be classified as 100 percent
13 energy-related, with the remainder classified as serving joint demand and energy
14 functions.³³

15 **Q. DID THE COMPANY FIND THE PROPOSED TREATMENT OF COSTS**
16 **ASSOCIATED WITH RENEWABLE GENERATION RESOURCES**
17 **ACCEPTABLE?**

18 A. Yes. The Company argues renewable resources contain a "swapping of steel for
19 fuel" aspect and that the Effective Load Carrying Capability ("ELCC", i.e. the
20 accredited capacity) of intermittent renewable resources is low and will decline
21 further as renewable penetrations increase.³⁴ The Company, thus, agrees that it
22 is appropriate to classify a portion of renewable generation resources as energy-

³¹ 2022/2023 Integrated Resource Plan (May 2023) at 151 (emphasis added).

³² Direct Testimony of David Dismukes at 34:3-8.

³³ Direct Testimony of David E. Dismukes at 34:11-18 and Exhibit DED-8.

³⁴ Rebuttal Testimony of John D. Taylor at 16:14-16.

1 related, and that specifically the method I proposed relying on MISO capacity
2 accreditation for individual renewable resources would be the correct approach to
3 implement this classification.³⁵

4 While the system is planned as a single, integrated
5 system; intermittent renewable resources have distinct
6 characteristics which require the examination and
7 allocation of those resources independent of the firm,
8 dispatchable resources on the CEI South system. As I
9 alluded to earlier, there is a “swapping of steel for fuel”
10 aspect associated with renewable resources and the
11 ELCC of intermittent renewable resources is low and
12 will further decline as the penetration increases. The
13 former (swapping steel for fuel) also aligns well
14 contextually with the fuel symmetry associated with
15 traditional fossil plants that are the IURC has
16 recognized when classifying all fixed plant as demand
17 related then allocating the corresponding costs to the
18 average of customer demands in the requisite hours
19 that best reflect those currently driving investment in
20 capacity, and allocating average fuel to classes on an
21 average energy basis... Consequently, it would be
22 appropriate to classify and/or allocate a portion of
23 those resources using an energy measure. This aligns
24 with the MidAmerican case that is referenced by OUCC
25 Witness Dismukes (though care must be taken as the
26 MidAmerican system is at a far greater penetration of
27 renewable resources and this is a distinguishing factor
28 that must be considered in planning and operations,
29 and so it must in cost allocation as well).³⁶

30 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE APPROPRIATE**
31 **CLASSIFICATION OF COSTS RELATED TO PRODUCTION PLANT?**

32 A. I recommend the Commission reject the proposed Settlement Agreement for
33 inappropriately classifying all fixed costs associated with production plant assets
34 as being 100 percent demand-related: 53.0 percent of the Company’s test year

³⁵ Rebuttal Testimony of John D. Taylor at 16:11 to 17:1.

³⁶ Rebuttal Testimony of John D. Taylor at 16:11 to 17:1 (emphasis added).

1 net production plant in service will be associated with renewable generation
2 assets, compared to as little as 9.6 percent previously. This represents a significant
3 change in the operational characteristics of CEI South's system, as both the
4 Company and the Commission have previously recognized the distinct nature of
5 intermittent renewable generation resources when compared to traditional
6 resources. The transition to generation that is more renewable-focused will also
7 change how traditional resources are designed and operated, as these units have
8 increasingly been used to support resource adequacy during shortfalls in
9 renewable generation, rather than simply used to ensure resource adequacy
10 during periods of peak system utilization.

11 **B. Cost Allocation of Transmission Plant**

12 **Q. HOW DOES THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT ALLOCATE COSTS**
13 **ASSOCIATED WITH TRANSMISSION PLANT FOR ACOSS PURPOSES?**

14 A. The Settlement Agreement relies on 4 CP to allocate transmission plant costs.³⁷
15 This is distinct from the approach the Company used in its ACOSS included in its
16 initial filing, which used a 12-month average of monthly coincident peak demands
17 ("12 CP") to allocate costs associated with transmission plant.³⁸

18 **Q. DO YOU SUPPORT THE SETTLING PARTIES' PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF**
19 **COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH TRANSMISSION PLANT?**

20 A. No. A 12 CP approach is consistent with the approach MISO uses to allocate
21 network transmission costs.³⁹ Importantly, as a member of MISO, the planning

³⁷ Settlement Testimony of John D. Taylor at 4:15-16.

³⁸ Direct Testimony of John D. Taylor at 11:17-19.

³⁹ Rebuttal Testimony of John D. Taylor at 19:11-13.

1 and operations of CEI South's transmission system are overseen by MISO.⁴⁰
2 Additionally, the Company expressed concerns in its initial filing that future
3 transmission operations will shift away from single periods of peak demand during
4 summer months toward periods of high renewable production and lower loads
5 occurring in the spring and fall with increased integration of renewable generation
6 systems to the electric grid.⁴¹ The 12 CP cost allocation method is used by many
7 state regulators to assure consistency in the cost allocation of transmission
8 facilities between retail and wholesale operations.

9 **C. Use of a Minimum System Study to Classify Distribution Plant**
10 **Costs**

11 **Q. HOW DOES THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT PROPOSE TO CLASSIFY AND**
12 **ALLOCATE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH DISTRIBUTION PLANT FACILITIES?**

13 A. Consistent with the Company's proposed ACOSS included in its initial filing, the
14 Settlement Agreement relies on the results of a MSS to classify 56 percent of costs
15 associated with FERC Account 368 – Line Transformers as customer-related.⁴²

16 **Q. DO YOU AGREE WITH THE PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF LINE**
17 **TRANSFORMERS BASED ON THE RESULTS OF AN MSS?**

18 A. No. As I explained at length in my Direct Testimony, the theoretical basis for MSS
19 and related approaches is seriously flawed, and these studies provide little to no
20 value regarding cost causation. Indeed, in modern operations very little distribution
21 capital investment is related to serving new customers or other growth activities.

22 As shown by Exhibit DED-3-S, on average only 9.6 percent of total non-TDSIC

⁴⁰ Rebuttal Testimony of John D. Taylor at 19:11-13.

⁴¹ Direct Testimony of John D. Taylor at 12:12 to 13:1.

⁴² Direct Testimony of John D. Taylor, Attachment JDT-2.

1 Distribution capital investments for the years 2023 through 2025 is expected to be
2 associated with growth activities. Instead, most capital investments for the
3 Company are expected to be associated with reliability-focused distribution system
4 improvements or replacement of existing facilities.

5 **Q. HAVE YOU EXAMINED HISTORIC COMPANY INVESTMENTS IN LINE**
6 **TRANSFORMERS?**

7 A. Yes. Exhibit DED-4-S shows net distribution plant additions to FERC Account 368
8 – Line Transformers for the years 2004 through 2022. Exhibit DED-4-S also
9 shows changes in the average number of Company customers each year. Exhibit
10 DED4-S shows that Company investment in Line Transformers is actually slightly
11 negatively correlated with changes in the average number of Company customers
12 (correlation coefficient of -0.178). As discussed in my Direct Testimony, empirical
13 examination of the concept that investment in distribution plant facilities is related
14 to interconnecting customers to the grid consistently shows little to no support for
15 this idea.

16 **V. REVENUE DISTRIBUTION**

17 **Q. HOW DO THE SETTLING PARTIES PROPOSE TO APPORTION REVENUES**
18 **AMONG CUSTOMER CLASSES?**

19 A. The Settling Parties propose a revenue distribution that is conceptually similar to
20 the approach presented in the Company's initial filing. However, the Settlement
21 Agreement additionally requires that: (1) no class receive a rate decrease as a
22 result of the rates implemented pursuant to the Settlement Agreement; (2) no class
23 receive a rate increase that is higher than what CEI South proposed in its rebuttal

1 position; (3) the water heating service class receive a rate increase equal to 1.5
2 times the system average increase, and (4) all other customer classes besides the
3 water heating service class receive a rate increase no greater than 1.35 times the
4 system average.⁴³

5 **Q. DO YOU AGREE WITH THE PROPOSED REVENUE DISTRIBUTIONS UNDER**
6 **THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT?**

7 A. No. The Settlement Agreement's revenue distributions suffer from two major
8 deficiencies. First, the Settling Parties' proposal is based on the results of a faulty
9 ACROSS that overstates the extent of any current subsidy from high-load factor
10 industrial customers to low-load factor residential customers. Second, the
11 Settlement Agreement's proposed caps on rate increases are inconsistent with
12 rate gradualism and could also negatively impact energy affordability, particularly
13 for the Company's low- and middle-income customers.

14 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE SETTLEMENT**
15 **AGREEMENT'S PROPOSED REVENUE DISTRIBUTION?**

16 A. I recommend the Commission reject the revenue distribution proposed in the
17 Settlement Agreement as not being in the public interest. Instead, I recommend
18 the Commission adopt a more reasonable revenue distribution allocation method
19 based on my alternative ACROSS results that also limits the rate increase to any
20 single customer class to 1.15 times the overall system average increase,
21 consistent with the approach outlined in my Direct Testimony.

⁴³ Settlement Testimony of John D. Taylor at 6:15-22.

1 **Q. HAVE YOU PREPARED A SUMMARY OF THE EFFECTS OF YOUR**
2 **PROPOSED REVENUE DISTRIBUTION?**

3 A. Yes. Exhibit DED-5-S presents an updated illustrative summary of the effects of
4 my proposed revenue distribution under the Settlement Agreement's proposed
5 system average rate increase. My proposed revenue distribution would allow a
6 base rate increase for the residential class of 11.8 percent, compared to the
7 Settlement Agreement's proposal which would increase such rates by 14.8
8 percent, a reduction of approximately \$9.2 million.

9 **VI. RATE DESIGN**

10 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AS IT RELATES TO**
11 **RATE DESIGN.**

12 A. The Settlement Agreement proscribes specific class-by-class customer charges to
13 be applied to base rates. This includes small increases in base rate customer
14 charges for RS and SGS rates from the current \$10.84 per month to \$11.00 per
15 month. Importantly, the Settlement Agreement clarifies that the proscribed
16 customer charges relate only to the fixed charge included in base rates and do not
17 include the fixed portion of TDSIC recovery.⁴⁴

18 **Q. DO YOU AGREE WITH THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT'S PROPOSED**
19 **CUSTOMER CHARGES?**

20 A. No. The Settlement Agreement does not address the critical issue of the current
21 fixed cost recovery component of the Company's TDSIC.⁴⁵ The Company

⁴⁴ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(14).

⁴⁵ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(14).

1 currently recovers portions of monthly TDSIC charges assessed to RS, residential
2 water heating service, and SGS customers partially on a fixed basis.⁴⁶ No other
3 jurisdictional Indiana utility recovers monthly TDSIC charges based partially on a
4 fixed charge basis.⁴⁷

5 **Q. HOW DOES THE FIXED TDSIC CHARGE FOR RS AND SGS CUSTOMERS**
6 **AFFECT RATE DESIGN?**

7 A. The fixed TDSIC charge for RS and SGS customers effectively acts as an
8 additional customer charge on top of the customer charge included in base rates.
9 As I showed in my Direct Testimony, the Company's current \$10.84 customer
10 charge for RS customers exceeds the regional average of \$10.72 before including
11 the fixed TDSIC charge. Including the fixed TDSIC charge of \$6.50 makes the
12 current RS customer charge the second highest in the region, second only to
13 Kentucky Power Company's fixed charge of \$17.50 per month.

14 **Q. WHAT ARE YOUR CUSTOMER CHARGE RECOMMENDATIONS AND**
15 **CONCLUSIONS?**

16 A. I recommend the Commission reject the proposed Settlement Agreement's
17 proposed customer charges. Instead, I reiterate the recommendation presented
18 in my Direct Testimony that the Commission direct the Company to eliminate its
19 current fixed component for monthly TDSIC charges for Rates RS, SGS, and water
20 heating service customers, instead assessing monthly TDSIC charges fully as
21 volumetric energy charges. The Company's current base customer charges for
22 Rates RS and SGS are in-line with regional customer charges and recover more

⁴⁶ CenterPoint Energy Indiana South Tariff, Sheet 75.

⁴⁷ See Company's Response to OUC 18.1.

1 than fifty percent of monthly customer-related costs for these customer classes.⁴⁸
2 Maintaining the current practice of inflating the Company’s monthly customer
3 charge through fixed TDSIC charges detrimentally impacts the public policy goals
4 of promoting energy efficiency and affordability, and burdens low-use customers.

5 **VII. PROPOSED TOU-CPP PILOT**

6 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AS IT RELATES TO**
7 **THE PROPOSED TOU-CPP PILOT AND RIDERS.**

8 A. The Settlement Agreement stipulates that CEI South’s TOU-CPP Pilot be
9 approved, along with the Aggregated Demand Response (“Rider ADR”) and the
10 Green Energy Rider as CEI South proposed in its initial filing. The Settlement
11 Agreement provides no modifications to these proposals, except that parties be
12 provided with copies of contracts with demand response aggregators after being
13 signed.⁴⁹

14 **Q. DID YOU RAISE CONCERNS REGARDING THE TOU-CPP PILOT IN YOUR**
15 **DIRECT TESTIMONY?**

16 A. Yes. I noted several concerns with the TOU-CPP Pilot. Principal among these is
17 the fact that the proposed TOU-CPP Pilot lacks evaluation criteria or clearly
18 defined goals.

19 **Q. HAVE THE COMPANY OR THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT ADDRESSED**
20 **YOUR CONCERNS?**

⁴⁸ See Direct Testimony of David E. Dismukes at 47:16-19: “Costs can be instructive in establishing a baseline upon which prices may be set, but costs do not need to serve as the sole or exclusive basis for rates in order for them to be set optimally (*i.e.*, fixed charges do not need to strictly equal fixed costs, variable rates need not strictly equal variable costs).”

⁴⁹ Stipulation and Settlement Agreement at B(7)(a).

1 A. No. The Company in rebuttal stated the over-arching goal of the proposed pilot is
2 to help the Company assess potential use cases and the cost-effectiveness of
3 TOU rates,⁵⁰ and so the Company is still working with its evaluator to finalize
4 evaluation criteria associated with the pilot.⁵¹ The few evaluation criteria the
5 Company has put forward associated with the TOU-CPP pilot are lacking the
6 specifics required for such a pilot.⁵²

7 **Q. CAN YOU EXPLAIN HOW THE COMPANY'S CURRENT EVALUATION**
8 **CRITERIA FOR USE WITH ITS PROPOSED TOU-CPP PILOT ARE LACKING**
9 **IN SPECIFICS?**

10 A. Yes. The Company states that it will evaluate the average kW demand impact per
11 participant during on-peak hours, off-peak hours for the proposed TOU rate, and
12 during CPP events.⁵³ However, importantly, the Company has not established any
13 marker for potential load shifting it would realistically seek to accomplish through
14 the proposed pilot program and, thus, any parameter for which success could be
15 declared for the pilot. Similarly, the Company states that it will evaluate kWh
16 energy savings from CPP events without establishing a prior baseline for estimated
17 energy savings associated with the proposed Pilot. Perhaps most egregious, the
18 Company states that it will measure bill impacts from the proposed pilot, but the
19 Company does not establish either a baseline savings estimate to judge
20 performance from or, importantly, establish the level of negative bill impacts (i.e.
21 increased bills due to the pilot) the Company would find unacceptable.

⁵⁰ Rebuttal Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 30:23-26.

⁵¹ Rebuttal Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 31:6-7.

⁵² Rebuttal Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 31.

⁵³ Rebuttal Testimony of Matthew A. Rice at 31.

1 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE PROPOSED TOU-**
2 **CPP PILOT?**

3 A. I recommend the Commission not approve the proposed TOU-CPP Pilot. The
4 program as proposed by the Company lacks clearly defined goals and objectives
5 and information on how progress or achievement of these goals will be measured
6 in the future. The proposed Settlement Agreement does not allay these concerns,
7 and thus should be rejected.

8 **VIII. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

9 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE SETTLEMENT**
10 **AGREEMENT?**

11 A. I recommend the Commission reject the Settlement Agreement as not in the public
12 interest. The Settlement Agreement would result in rate increases for low-load
13 factor customers like RS customers that are not consistent with cost of service and
14 would only contribute to and exacerbate the current unaffordability of CEI South's
15 rates. The Settlement Agreement also does not address important public concerns
16 such as the current high fixed cost recovery for base rates and the TDSIC, and the
17 flaws in the Company's proposed TOU-CPP Pilot.

18 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?**

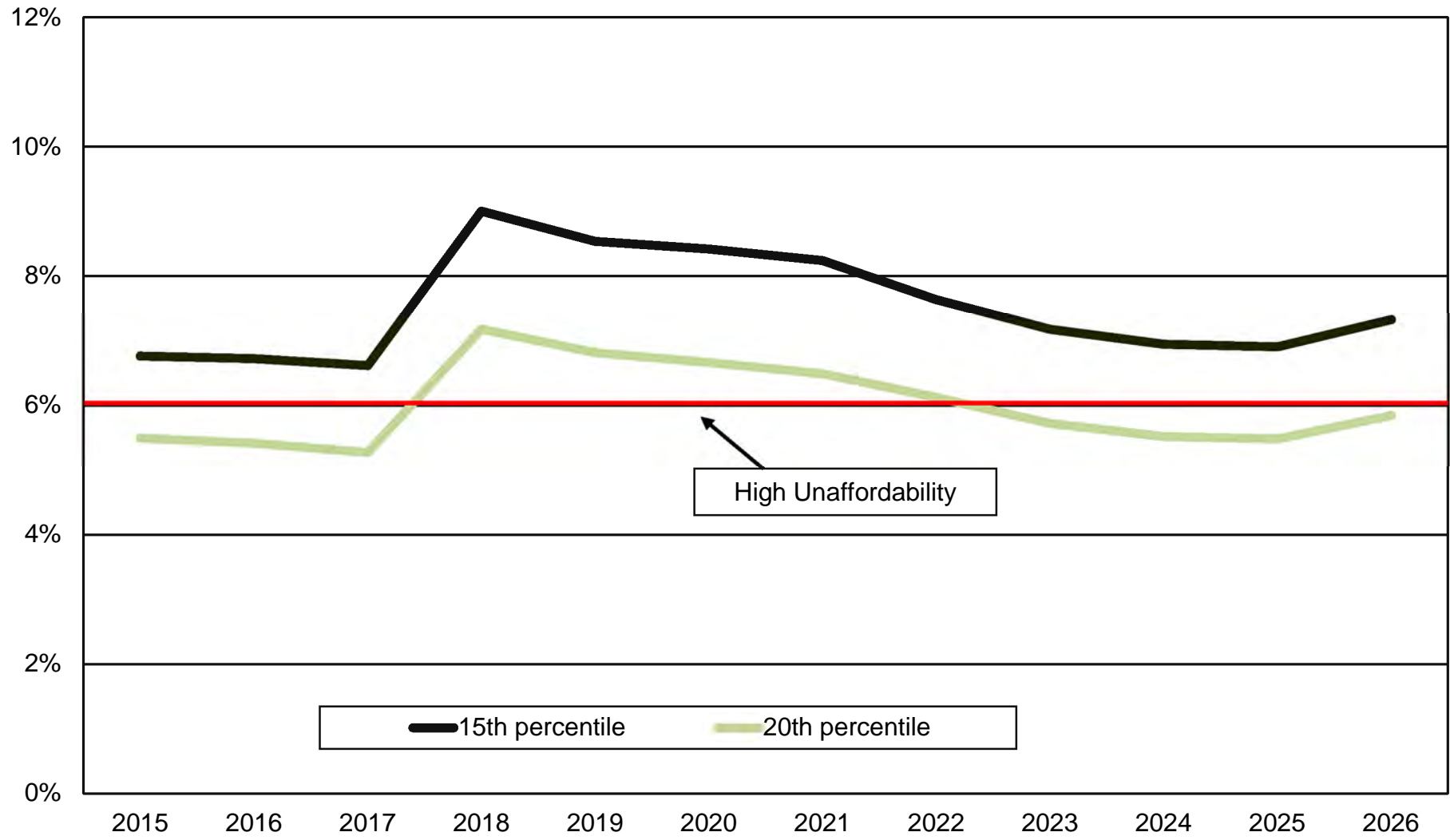
19 A. Yes.

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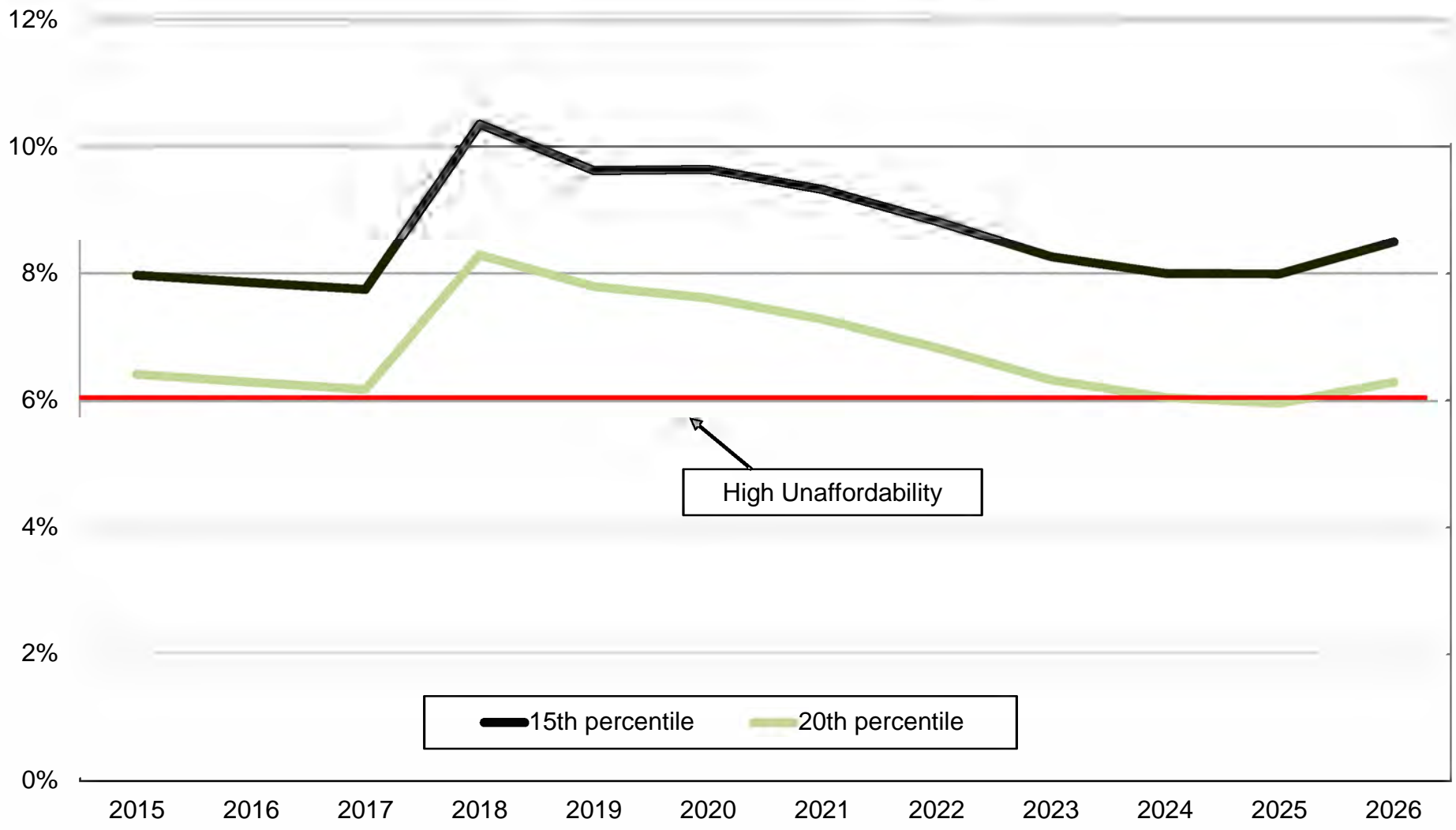
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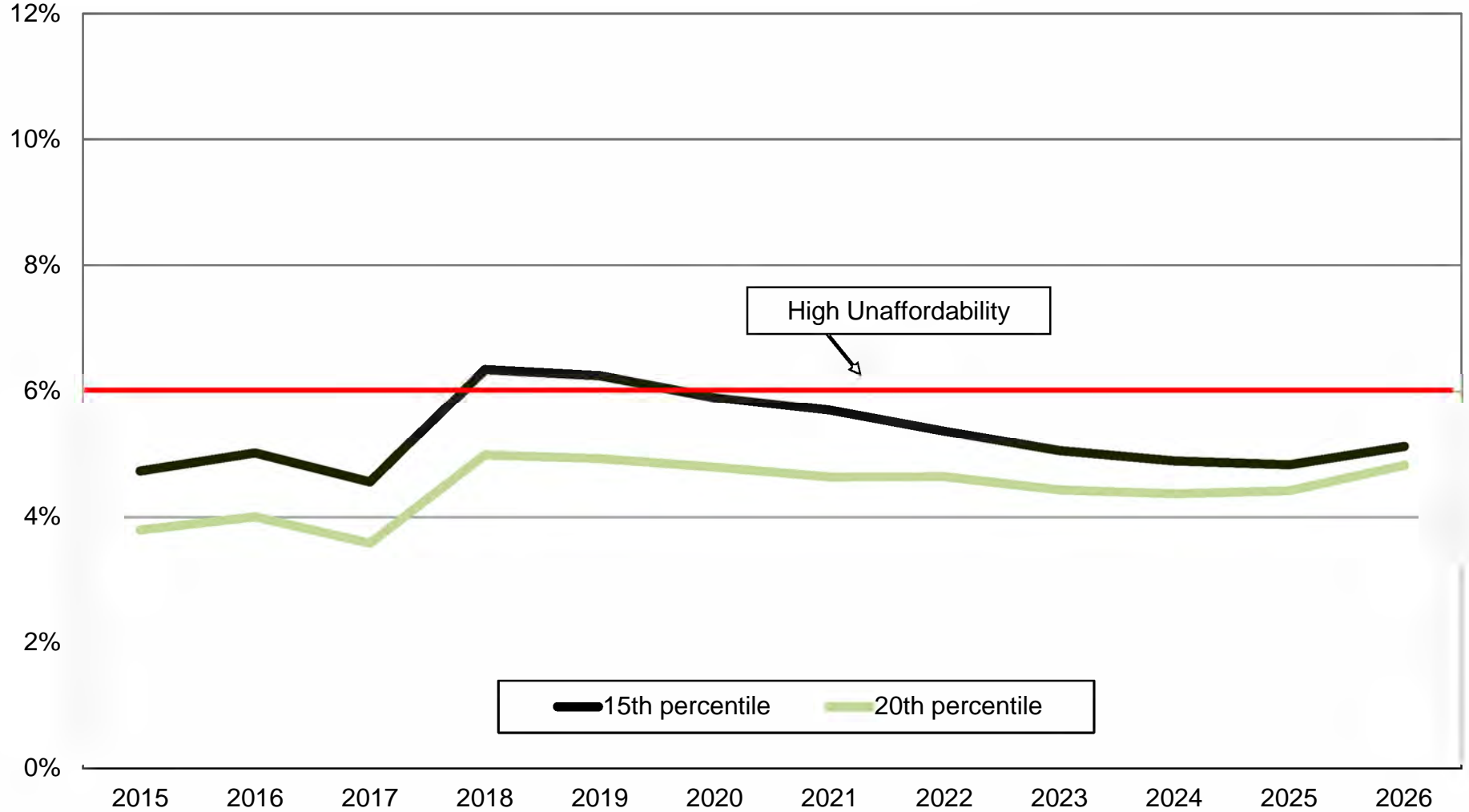
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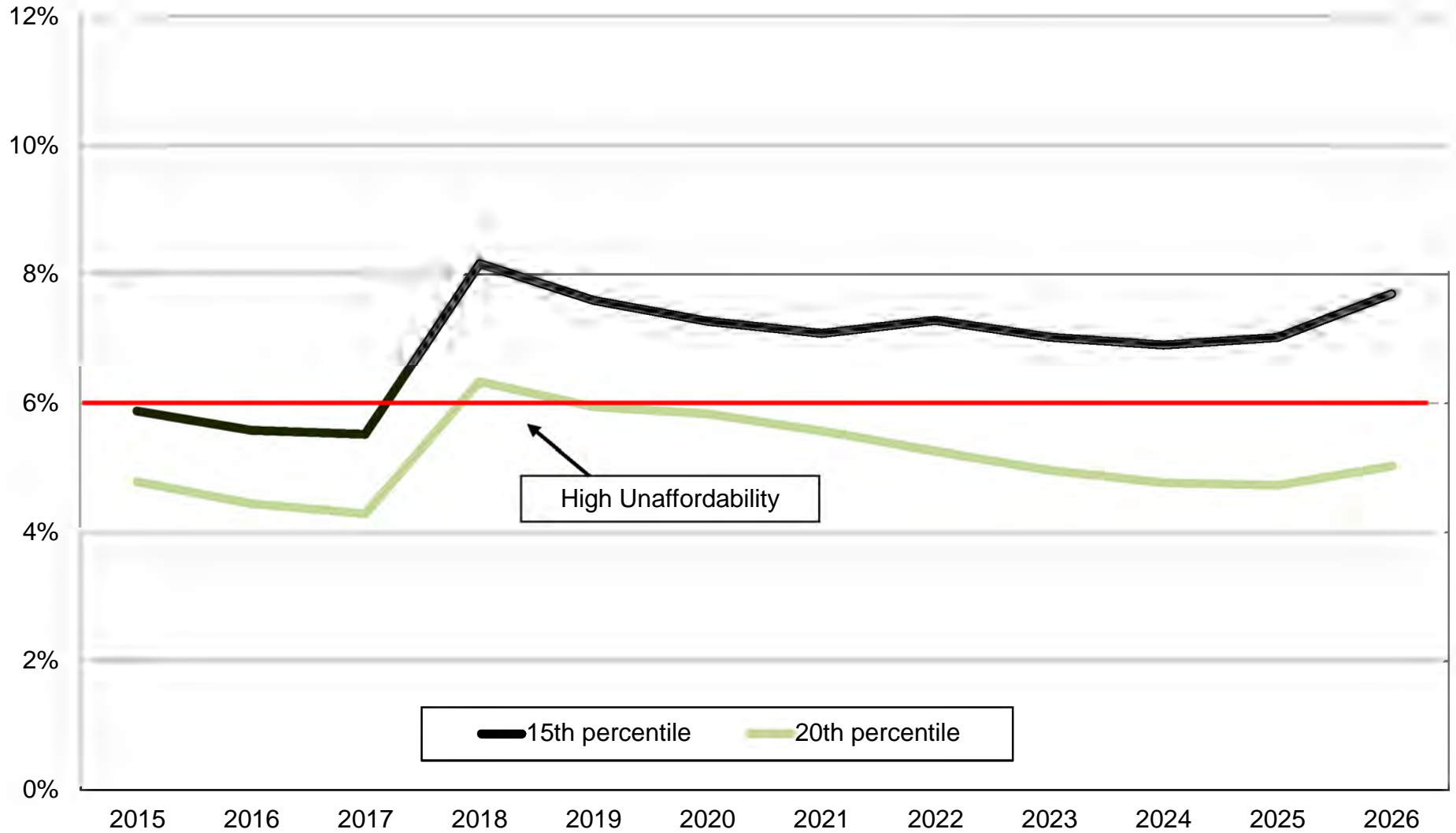
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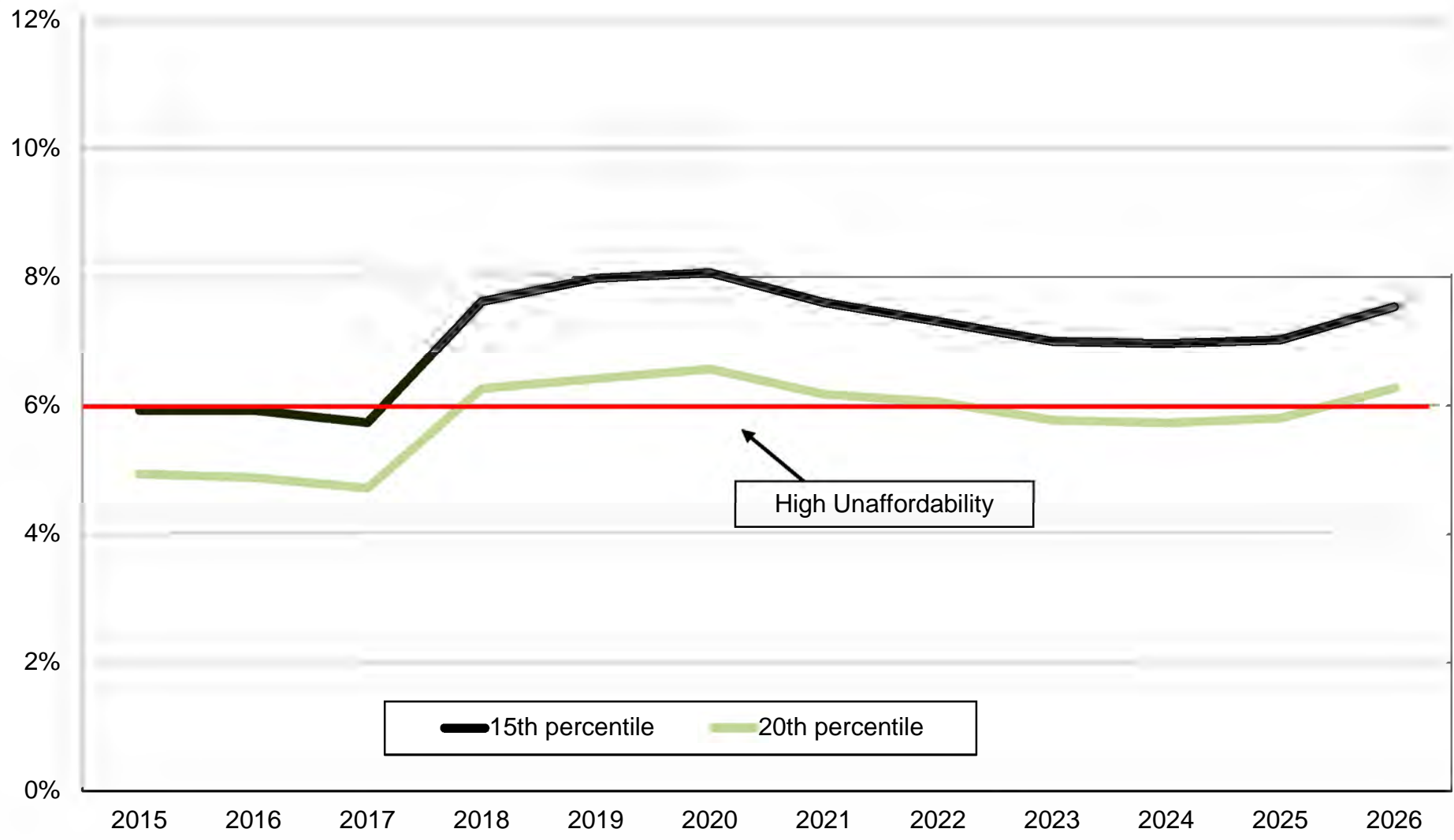
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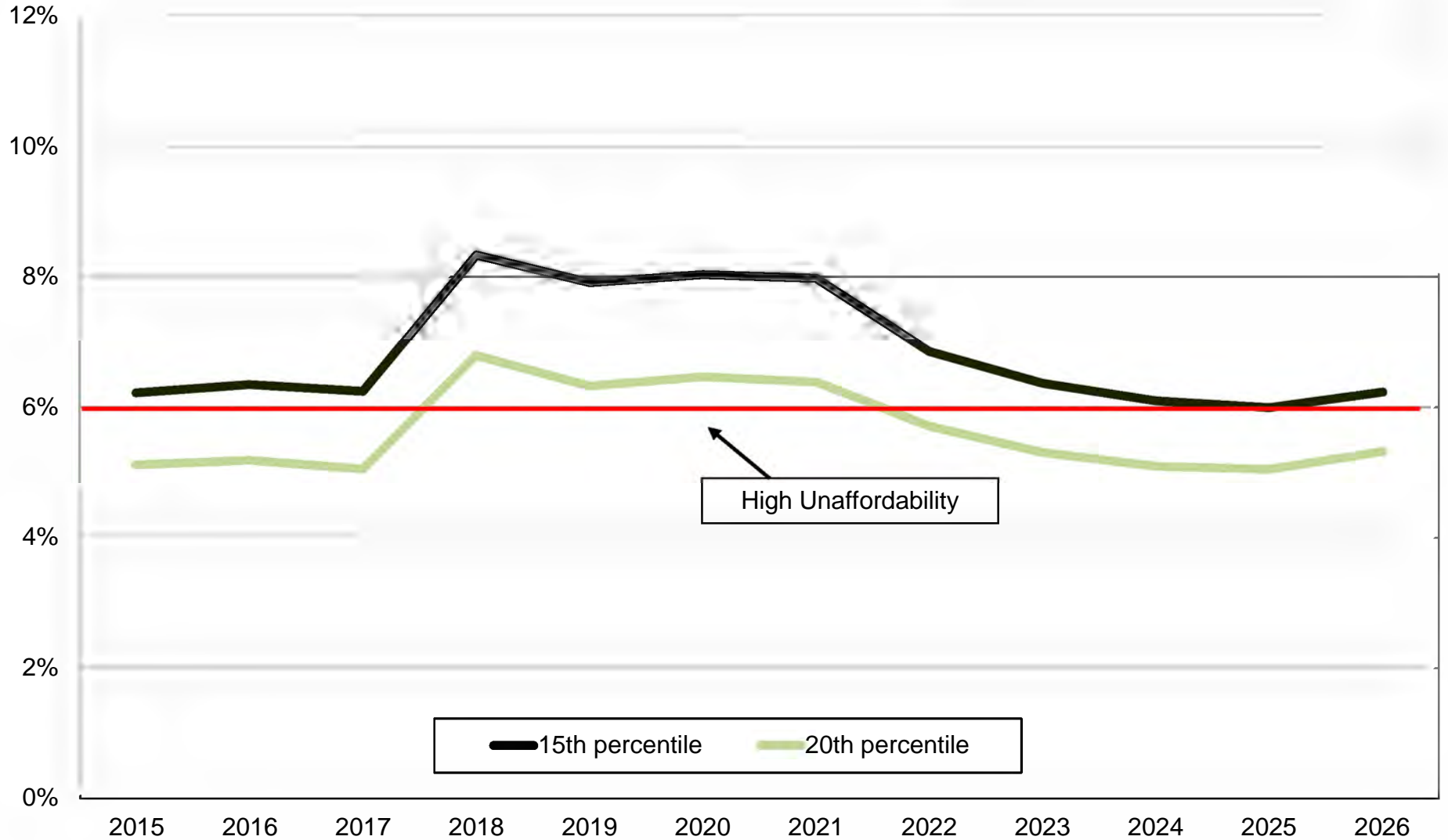
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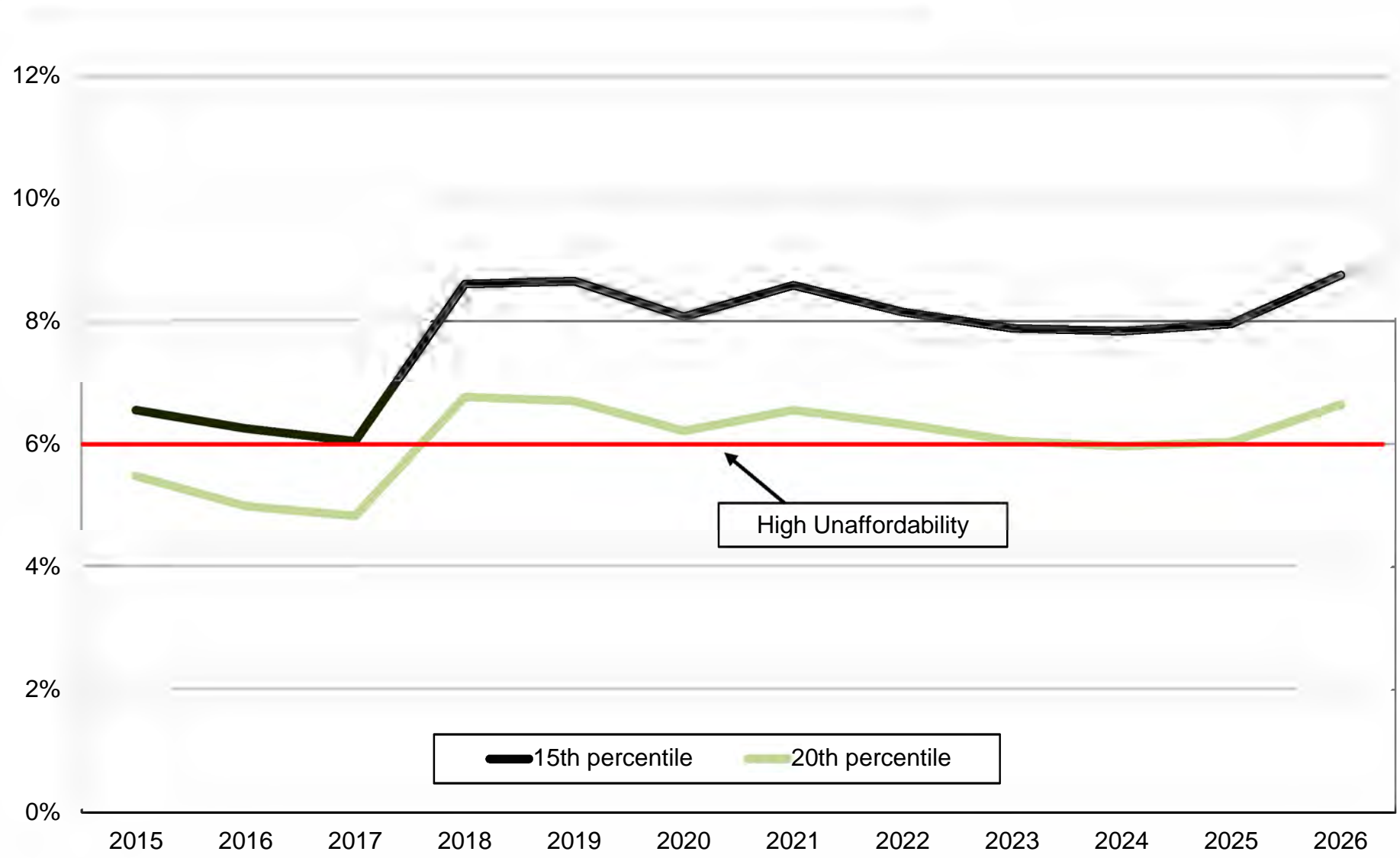
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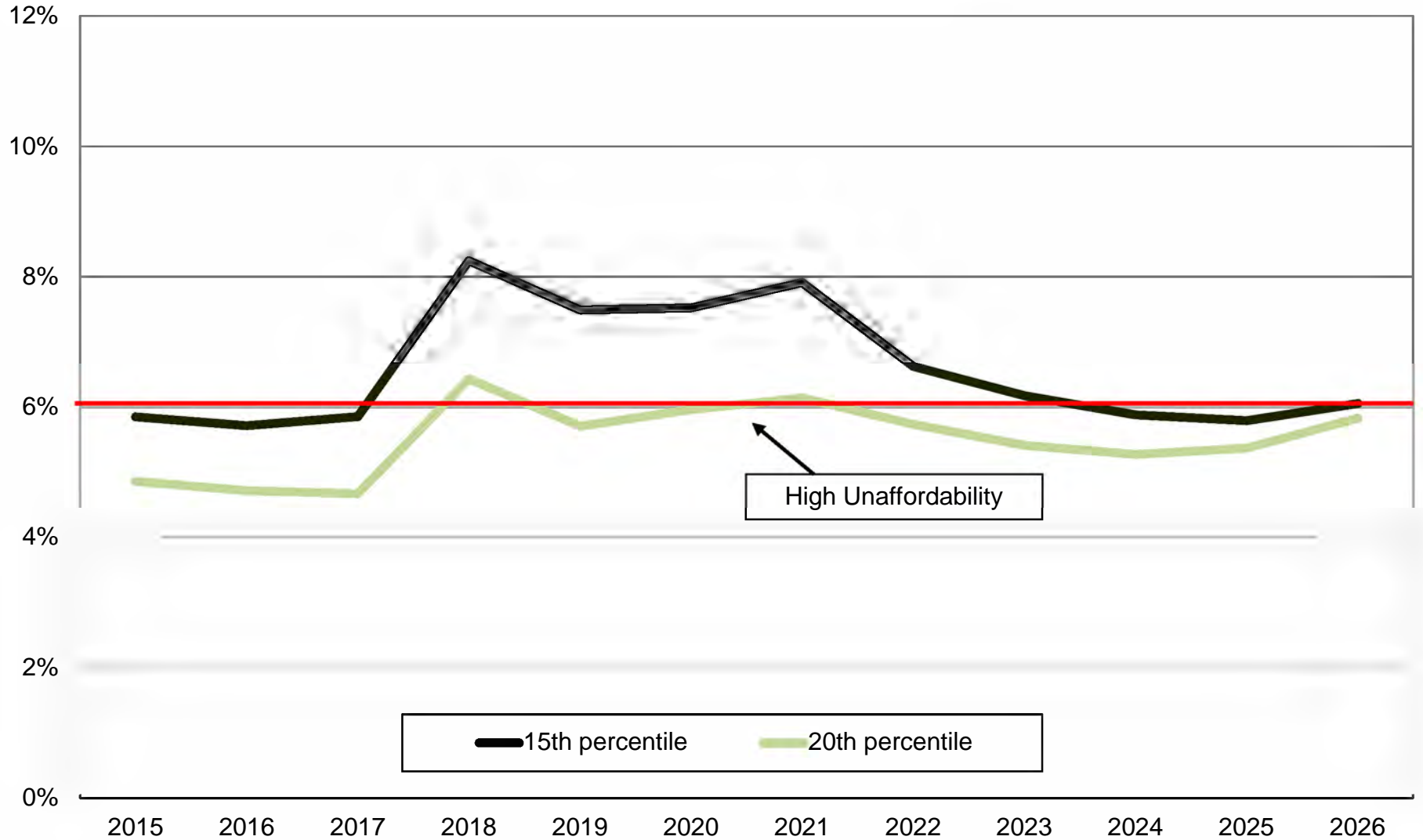
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Comparison of Production Plant, 2018 to 2024

Witness: Dismukes
Cause No. 45990
Exhibit DED-2-S

Unit Name	In-Service Year	Primary Fuel	Renewable (Y/N)	Gross Plant	Accumulated Reserve (\$000)	Net Plant	2018 Net Plant		2025 Net Plant	
							Plant (\$000)	Net Percent of Total (%)	Plant (\$000)	Net Percent of Total (%)
F.B. Culley Unit 3	1973	Coal	N	\$ 468,178	\$ 351,836	\$116,342	\$116,342	85.8%	\$116,342	12.0%
A.B. Brown 3	1991	Gas	N	32,929	29,546	3,384	\$ 3,384	2.5%	\$ 3,384	0.3%
A.B. Brown 4	2002	Gas	N	31,409	28,513	2,896	\$ 2,896	2.1%	\$ 2,896	0.3%
Blackfoot	2009	Landfill Gas	Y	11,703	6,842	4,862	\$ 4,862	3.6%	\$ 4,862	0.5%
Oak Hill Solar	2018	Solar	Y	5,372	1,557	3,814	\$ 3,814	2.8%	\$ 3,814	0.4%
Volkman Solar	2018	Solar	Y	7,259	2,951	4,307	\$ 4,307	3.2%	\$ 4,307	0.4%
Troy Solar	2021	Solar	Y	97,673	14,191	83,482	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 83,482	8.6%
A.B. Brown 5 &6	2025	Gas	N	339,618	4,865	334,754	\$ -	0.0%	\$334,754	34.4%
Posey County Solar Project	2025	Solar	Y	426,973	8,302	418,671	\$ -	0.0%	\$418,671	43.1%
Total Generation Plant				\$1,421,114	\$ 448,602	\$972,512	\$135,605	100.0%	\$972,512	100.0%
Total Renewable Generation Plant				\$ 548,979	\$ 33,844	\$515,136	\$ 12,983	9.6%	\$515,136	53.0%

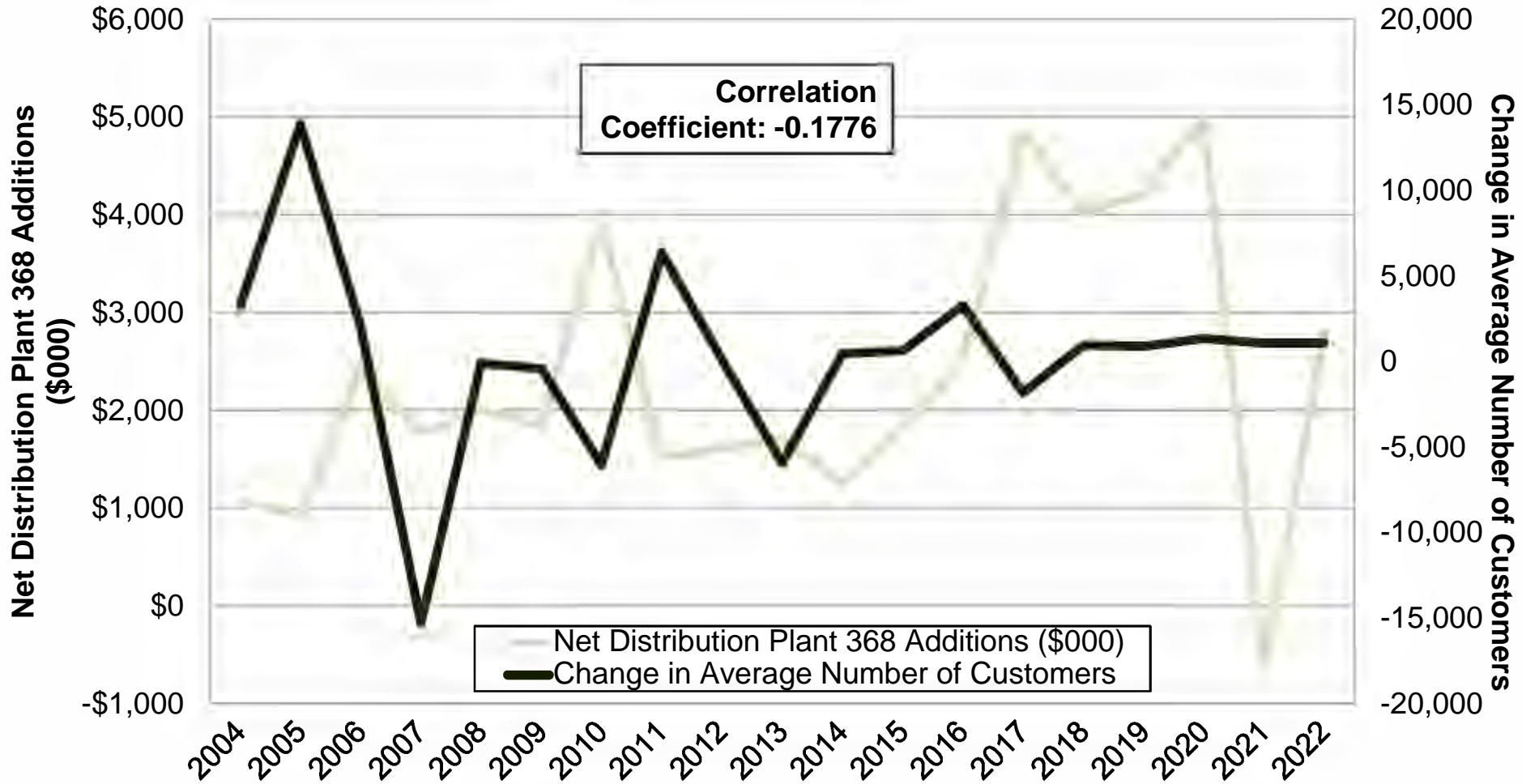
Estimated Transmission and Distribution Plant Capital Investments, 2024-2025

Witness: Dismukes
Cause No. 45990
Exhibit DED-3-S

Investment type	Dollar Amount (\$)		Percentage (%)	
	2024	2025	2024	2025
Transmission & Distribution				
Growth	\$ 5,685,704	\$ 5,685,704	4%	3%
Reliability	122,326,193	155,488,907	93%	93%
Policy	3,729,088	5,227,647	3%	3%
Total	\$ 131,740,985	\$ 166,402,258	100%	100%

Correlation between Customer and Line Transformer Investments, 2004-2022.

Witness: Dismukes
Cause No. 45990
Exhibit DED-4-S



Results of Alternative Revenue Distribution At Settlement Revenue Requirement

Witness: Dismukes
Cause No. 45990
Exhibit DED-5-S

Line No.	Account Description	Total CEI South	Residential			Small General Service (SGS)	Demand General Service (DGS)	Large Power Service (LP)	High Load Factor Service (HLF)	Lighting	
			Residential Service (RS)	Water Heating (B)						Outdoor Lighting (OL)	Street Lighting (SL)
1	<u>Allocated Cost of Service Study Results</u>										
2	Current Operating Revenues	\$ 723,922,849	\$ 318,179,438	\$ 1,766,970	\$ 14,693,952	\$ 206,714,134	\$ 168,795,811	\$ 8,758,066	\$ 1,868,087	\$ 3,146,391	
3	Operating Income	\$ 117,233,543	\$ 58,292,102	\$ 30,709	\$ 2,878,911	\$ 39,576,293	\$ 14,527,777	\$ 503,350	\$ 698,275	\$ 726,124	
4	Rate Base	\$ 2,769,851,666	\$ 1,263,495,769	\$ 7,626,310	\$ 54,308,392	\$ 771,018,249	\$ 624,630,809	\$ 27,307,974	\$ 6,754,931	\$ 14,709,232	
5	Rate of Return	4.23%	4.61%	0.40%	5.30%	5.13%	2.33%	1.84%	10.34%	4.94%	
6	Relative Rate of Return	1.00	1.09	0.10	1.25	1.21	0.55	0.44	2.44	1.17	
7	<u>Proposed Revenue Increase</u>										
8	Proposed Rate of Return	6.77%									
9	Current Operating Revenues	\$ 723,922,849									
10	Proposed Operating Revenue Increase	80,009,617									
11	Proposed Revenue Requirement	\$ 803,932,466									
12	<u>Proposed Revenue Allocation at Full Cost of Service</u>										
13	Current Operating Revenues	\$ 723,922,849	\$ 318,179,438	\$ 1,766,970	\$ 14,693,952	\$ 206,714,134	\$ 168,795,811	\$ 8,758,066	\$ 1,868,087	\$ 3,146,391	
14	Total Revenue Requirement at Equal Rates of Return	803,932,466	350,648,958	2,319,652	15,674,844	221,269,884	198,763,985	10,146,366	1,618,714	3,490,062	
15	Incremental Revenue Increase at Equal Rates of Return	\$ 80,009,617	\$ 32,469,520	\$ 552,681	\$ 980,892	\$ 14,555,750	\$ 29,968,174	\$ 1,388,301	\$ (249,373)	\$ 343,671	
16	Percent Increase at Proposed Rate of Return	11.05%	10.20%	31.28%	6.68%	7.04%	17.75%	15.85%	-13.35%	10.92%	
17	Relative Increase	1.00	0.92	2.83	0.60	0.64	1.61	1.43	(1.21)	0.99	
18	<u>Step One Adjustments</u>										
19	Maximum Rate Increase at 1.15 times System Average	12.71%	-	12.71%	-	-	12.71%	12.71%	-	-	
20	Step One Revenue Adjustments	\$ (9,117,361)	\$ -	\$ (328,098)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (8,514,118)	\$ (275,145)	\$ -	\$ -	
21	Revenue Allocation after Step One Adjustments	\$ 70,892,255	\$ 32,469,520	\$ 224,583	\$ 980,892	\$ 14,555,750	\$ 21,454,056	\$ 1,113,156	\$ (249,373)	\$ 343,671	
22	Revenue Deficiency after Step One Adjustments	9,117,361									
23	<u>Step Two Adjustments</u>										
24	Minimum Rate Increase at 0.00 times System Average	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%	-	
25	Step Two Revenue Adjustments	249,373	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 249,373	\$ -	
26	Revenue Allocation after Step Two Adjustments	\$ 71,141,628	\$ 32,469,520	\$ 224,583	\$ 980,892	\$ 14,555,750	\$ 21,454,056	\$ 1,113,156	\$ -	\$ 343,671	
27	Revenue Deficiency after Step Two Adjustments	\$ 8,867,988									
28	<u>Step Three Adjustments</u>										
29	Basis for Step Three Adjustment	\$ 542,733,916	\$ 318,179,438	\$ -	\$ 14,693,952	\$ 206,714,134	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,146,391	
30	Allocation of Remaining Revenue Deficiency	\$ 8,867,988	\$ 5,198,886	\$ -	\$ 240,091	\$ 3,377,601	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 51,410	
31	Total Proposed Revenue Increase	\$ 80,009,617	\$ 37,668,406	\$ 224,583	\$ 1,220,984	\$ 17,933,351	\$ 21,454,056	\$ 1,113,156	\$ -	\$ 395,081	
32	<u>Summary</u>										
33	Current Operating Revenues	\$ 723,922,849	\$ 318,179,438	\$ 1,766,970	\$ 14,693,952	\$ 206,714,134	\$ 168,795,811	\$ 8,758,066	\$ 1,868,087	\$ 3,146,391	
34	Revenue Increase	80,009,617	37,668,406	224,583	1,220,984	17,933,351	21,454,056	1,113,156	-	395,081	
35	Proposed Revenue	\$ 803,932,466	\$ 355,847,844	\$ 1,991,554	\$ 15,914,936	\$ 224,647,485	\$ 190,249,867	\$ 9,871,221	\$ 1,868,087	\$ 3,541,473	
36	Proposed Revenue Change (%)	11.05%	11.84%	12.71%	8.31%	8.68%	12.71%	12.71%	0.00%	12.56%	
37	Relative Proposed Revenue Increase	1.00	1.07	1.15	0.75	0.78	1.15	1.15	0.00	1.14	

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