

STATE OF INDIANA

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

VERIFIED PETITION OF SOUTHERN INDIANA)
GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a VECTREN)
ENERGY DELIVERY OF INDIANA, INC., FOR)
APPROVAL OF PETITIONER'S 7-YEAR ELECTRIC)
TDSIC PLAN FOR ELIGIBLE TRANSMISSION,)
DISTRIBUTION AND STORAGE SYSTEM)
IMPROVEMENTS, PURSUANT TO IND. CODE §8-1-)
39-10(A), FOR AUTHORITY TO DEFER COSTS FOR)
FUTURE RECOVERY, AND APPROVING)
INCLUSION OF VECTREN SOUTH'S TDSIC PLAN)
PROJECTS IN ITS RATE BASE IN ITS NEXT)
GENERAL RATE PROCEEDING PURSUANT TO)
IND. CODE § 8-1-2-23.)

CAUSE NO. 44910

VERIFIED PETITION

Petitioner Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company d/b/a Vectren Energy Delivery of Indiana, Inc. ("Petitioner" or "Vectren South") respectfully requests that the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") approve Vectren South's 7-year electric plan ("TDSIC Plan" or "the Plan") to invest in transmission and distribution assets pursuant to Ind. Code § 8-1-39-10(a). In support of its petition, Petitioner submits the following information:

1. **Petitioner's Corporate and Operational Status.** Petitioner is an operating public utility incorporated under the laws of the State of Indiana, and has its principal office at One Vectren Square, Evansville, Indiana. It has charter power and authority to engage in, and is engaged in the business of rendering retail electric service solely within the State of Indiana under indeterminate permits, franchises, and necessity certificates heretofore duly acquired. It owns, operates, manages, and controls, among other things, plant, property equipment, and facilities which are used and useful for the production, storage, transmission, distribution, and furnishing of electric service to approximately 145,000 electric

consumers in southwestern Indiana. Its service territory is spread throughout seven counties: Pike, Gibson, Dubois, Posey, Vanderburgh, Warrick and Spencer counties.

2. **Petitioner's Regulated Status.** Petitioner is a “public utility” within the meaning of Ind. Code §§ 8-1-2-1 and 8-1-39-4 and is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission in the manner and to the extent provided by the Public Service Commission Act, as amended, and other pertinent laws of the State of Indiana.

3. **Relief Sought.** Pursuant to Ind. Code §8-1-39-10(a), Petitioner requests Commission approval of its TDSIC Plan. Specifically, Petitioner requests the Commission make the following findings: (a) the projects included in Petitioner’s TDSIC Plan are “eligible transmission, distribution, and storage system improvements” as defined in Ind. Code § 8-1-39-2; (b) the TDSIC Plan includes the best estimate of the cost of eligible improvements; (c) a determination that the public convenience and necessity require or will require the eligible improvements included in the Plan; and (d) a determination that the estimated costs of the eligible improvements included in the TDSIC Plan are justified by the incremental benefits attributable to the Plan. If the Commission determines that the TDSIC Plan is reasonable, Vectren South requests that the Commission approve the Plan, designate the eligible transmission and distribution and system improvements included in the TDSIC Plan as eligible for Transmission, Distribution and Storage System Improvement Charge (“TDSIC”) treatment in accordance with Ind. Code §8-1-39 and approve Petitioner’s Transmission, Distribution, and Storage System Improvement Charge to recover eligible costs. Petitioner also requests authority to defer any costs associated with the TDSIC Plan that are incurred prior to and subsequent to the issuance of an Order in this proceeding until such amounts are recovered through rates. Petitioner requests inclusion of its TDSIC Plan projects in its rate base in its next general rate proceeding pursuant to Ind. Code § 8-1-2-23. Finally, Petitioner requests that the Commission approve Petitioner’s proposed process for updating the TDSIC Plan in future TDSIC adjustment proceedings.

4. **Applicable Law.** Vectren South considers the provisions of the Public Service Commission

Act, as amended, including Ind. Code §§8-1-2-23 and 8-1-39, among others, to be applicable to the subject matter of this proceeding and believes that such statutes provide the Commission authority to approve the requested relief.

5. **Petitioner's Counsel.** Vectren South's counsel of record, duly authorized to accept service of papers in this Cause are:

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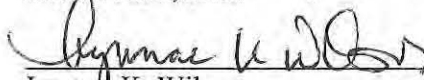
WHEREFORE, Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company d/b/a Vectren Energy Delivery of Indiana, Inc. respectfully requests that the Commission promptly publish notice, make such investigation and hold hearings as are necessary or advisable and thereafter, make and enter appropriate orders in this Cause:

- (a) Finding that the projects contained in the TDSIC Plan are "eligible transmission, distribution, and storage system improvements" within the meaning of Ind. Code § 8-1-39-2;
- (b) Finding Vectren South provided the best estimate of the cost of the eligible improvements included in the TDSIC Plan;
- (c) Determining that the public convenience and necessity require or will require the eligible improvements included in the TDSIC Plan;

- (d) Determining that the estimated costs of the eligible improvements included in the TDSIC Plan are justified by incremental benefits attributable to the Plan;
- (e) Approving the TDSIC Plan as reasonable and designating the eligible transmission and distribution system improvements included in the Plan as eligible for Transmission, Distribution and Storage System Improvement Charge ("TDSIC") treatment;
- (f) Granting Vectren South authority to defer costs associated with the TDSIC Plan that are incurred prior to and subsequent to the issuance of an Order in this proceeding until such amounts are recovered through rates;
- (g) Approving inclusion of Vectren South's TDSIC Plan projects in its rate base in its next general rate proceeding pursuant to Ind. Code § 8-1-2-23;
- (h) Approving Vectren South's process for updating the TDSIC Plan in future TDSIC adjustment proceedings; and
- (i) Granting Vectren South such additional and further relief as may be deemed necessary or appropriate.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 2017

SOUTHERN INDIANA GAS AND ELECTRIC
COMPANY d/b/a VECTREN ENERGY
DELIVERY, INC.




Lynnae K. Wilson
Vice President, Energy Delivery

VERIFICATION

I, Lynnae K. Wilson, under penalty of perjury, affirm that the foregoing representations are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

SOUTHERN INDIANA GAS AND ELECTRIC
COMPANY d/b/a VECTREN ENERGY
DELIVERY, INC.

By: 

Lynnae K. Wilson
Vice President, Energy Delivery

Dated: February 23, 2017

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing Application was served via electronic mail transmission or by depositing a copy thereof in the United States mail, first class postage prepaid, addressed to:

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This 23rd day of February 2017.

/s/ 

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