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PETITION OF THE CITY OF EAST CHICAGO,)
INDIANA FOR AUTHORITY TO ISSUE BONDS,)
NOTES, OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS FOR)
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES AND) CAUSE NO. 44826
CHARGES FOR WATER SERVICE, AND FOR)
APPROVAL OF NEW SCHEDULES OF WATER)
RATES AND CHARGES.)

You are hereby notified that on this date the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") has caused the following entry to be made:

On September 19, 2016, the City of East Chicago, Indiana ("Petitioner") and the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor ("OUCC") filed their *Stipulation to Procedural Matters in Lieu of Prehearing Conference* ("Motion").

The Presiding Officers, having reviewed the Petition, now establish the following procedural schedule in this matter:

1. **Test Year and Accounting Method.** The test year for determining Petitioner's actual and pro forma operating revenues, expenses and operating income under present and proposed rates shall be the 12 months ended December 31, 2015 adjusted for changes that are fixed, known and measurable for ratemaking purposes and that occur within 12 months following the end of the test year.

2. **Cutoff date.** The rate base cutoff shall reflect used and useful property at the end of the test year.

3. **Petitioner's Prefiling Date.** The Petitioner prefiled with the Commission its prepared testimony and exhibits constituting its case-in-chief on August 4, 2016. Copies of same were served upon all parties of record.

4. **Field Hearing.** A field hearing will be convened in this Cause at 6:00 p.m. on November 17, 2016 at the East Chicago City County Council Hall, 4525 Indianapolis Blvd., East Chicago, Indiana.

5. **The OUCC and Intervenors' Prefiling Date.** The OUCC and all Intervenors shall prefile with the Commission the prepared testimony and exhibits constituting their

respective cases-in-chief on or before November 18, 2016. Copies of same shall be served upon all parties of record.

6. **Petitioner's Rebuttal Prefiling.** The Petitioner shall prefile with the Commission its prepared rebuttal testimony on or before December 15, 2016. Copies of same shall be served upon all parties of record.

7. **Witness Order.** Parties shall submit their intended order of witnesses to the Commission and the parties in writing at least 72 hours in advance of the evidentiary hearing.

8. **Evidentiary Hearing on the Parties' Cases-In-Chief.** An evidentiary hearing is scheduled to commence at 9:30 a.m. on January 19, 2017 in Room 222 of the PNC Center, 101 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. If the parties reach settlement, the agreement and supporting testimony and exhibits shall be submitted to the Commission at least ten business days prior to the Evidentiary Hearing.

9. **Sworn Testimony.** Any witness testimony to be offered into the record of this proceeding shall be made under oath or affirmation. In accordance with 170 IAC 1-1.1-18(h), if the prefiled testimony of a witness is to be offered into evidence at the Evidentiary Hearing, and the witness sponsoring the prefiled testimony is not required to, and does not, attend the Evidentiary Hearing, the prefiled testimony shall be accompanied by the witness's sworn affidavit or written verification at the time the evidence is offered into the record.

10. **Discovery.** Discovery is available for all parties and shall be conducted on an informal basis. Any response or objection to a discovery request shall be made within ten calendar days of the receipt of such request. After the submission of the OUCC's case-in-chief, any response or objection to a discovery request shall be made within five business days of the receipt of such request. Discovery received after noon on a Friday shall be deemed received on the following business day/

11. **Prefiling of Workpapers.** When prefiling technical evidence with the Commission, each party shall file copies of the work papers used to produce that evidence within two business days after the prefiling of the technical evidence. Copies of same shall also be provided to any other party requesting such in writing. When submitting workpapers to the Commission, two copies of each document shall be filed with the Secretary of the Commission.

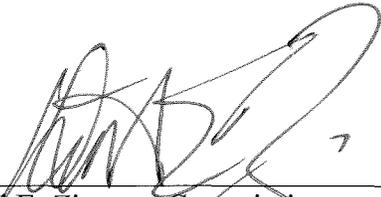
12. **Number of Copies/Corrections.** Filings with the Commission shall comply with General Administrative Order 2016-2. Any corrections to prefiled testimony shall be made in writing as soon as possible after discovery of the need to make such corrections.

13. **Objections to Prefiled Testimony and Exhibits.** Any objections to the admissibility of prefiled testimony or exhibits shall be filed with the Commission and served on all parties of record no less than two business days prior to the date scheduled for

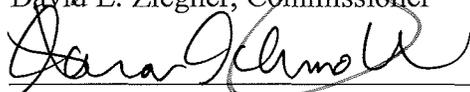
commencement of the hearing at which the testimony or exhibit will be offered into the record.

14. Intervenors. Any party permitted to become an Intervenor in this Cause shall be bound by the record as it stands at the time its Petition to Intervene is granted, pursuant to 170 IAC 1-1.1-11.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



David E. Ziegner, Commissioner



Aaron A. Schmoll, Senior Administrative Law Judge

Date: October 24, 2016