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**PETITION OF NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE)
COMPANY LLC PURSUANT TO IND. CODE §§ 8-1-2-42.7, 8-)
1-2-61 AND 8-1-2.5-6 FOR (1) AUTHORITY TO MODIFY ITS)
RETAIL RATES AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC UTILITY)
SERVICE THROUGH A PHASE IN OF RATES; (2))
APPROVAL OF NEW SCHEDULES OF RATES AND)
CHARGES, GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, AND)
RIDERS (BOTH EXISTING AND NEW); (3) APPROVAL OF)
REVISED COMMON AND ELECTRIC DEPRECIATION)
RATES APPLICABLE TO ITS ELECTRIC PLANT IN)
SERVICE; (4) APPROVAL OF NECESSARY AND)
APPROPRIATE ACCOUNTING RELIEF, INCLUDING, BUT)
LIMITED TO, AUTHORITY TO CAPITALIZE AS RATE)
BASE ALL EXPENDITURES FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO)
PETITIONER’S INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS)
THROUGH THE DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT, AND)
IMPLEMENTATION OF A WORK AND ASSET)
MANAGEMENT (“WAM”) PROGRAM, TO THE EXTENT)
NECESSARY; AND (5) APPROVAL OF ALTERNATIVE)
REGULATORY PLANS FOR THE PARTIAL WAIVER OF 170)
IAC 4-1-16(f) AND PROPOSED REMOTE DISCONNECTION)
AND RECONNECTION PROCESS AND, TO THE EXTENT)
NECESSARY, IMPLEMENTATION OF A LOW INCOME)
PROGRAM)**

CAUSE NO. 46120

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

On February 3, 2025, Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC, on behalf of itself, the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor, NIPSCO Industrial Group, NLMK Indiana, United States Steel Corporation, Walmart Inc., and RV Industry User’s Group (collectively, “Settling Parties”) filed a Joint Notice of Agreement in Principle and Request to Vacate Evidentiary Hearing Dates (“Motion”). In the Motion, the Settling Parties state that they have reached an agreement in principle with respect to the issues raised in this proceeding. The Settling Parties further indicate they do not believe the settlement will be opposed by the Board of County Commissioners of LaPorte County or the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union AFL-CIO/CLC and its Locals 12775 and 13796, but is opposed by the Citizens Action Coalition of Indiana, Inc. (“CAC”). Thus, the Settling Parties request the scheduled evidentiary hearing be

continued and converted to a settlement hearing and a new procedural schedule, which has been agreed upon by all parties, be established.

The Presiding Officers, having reviewed the Motion, modify the procedural schedule in this Cause as follows:

1. **Settlement Agreement and Supporting Testimony.** The Settling Parties shall prefile the Settlement Agreement and testimony supporting the Settlement Agreement on or before February 7, 2025. Copies of the same shall be served upon all parties of record.

2. **Testimony Opposing Settlement.** The CAC shall prefile its testimony opposing the Settlement Agreement on or before February 28, 2025. Copies of the same shall be served upon all parties of record.

3. **Rebuttal Testimony Supporting Settlement.** Any party supporting the Settlement Agreement shall prefile any rebuttal testimony on or before March 7, 2025. Copies of the same shall be served upon all parties of record.

4. **Witness Order.** On or before March 11, 2025, all parties shall serve upon each other a proposed order of witnesses to facilitate hearing preparation. The parties shall then confer and file with the Commission a joint proposed order of witnesses on or before March 20, 2025.

5. **Evidentiary Hearing on the Settlement.** The evidentiary hearing currently scheduled to commence at 1:00 p.m. on February 5, 2025, is converted to a settlement hearing and continued to 9:30 a.m. on March 25, 2025, in Room 222 of the PNC Center, 101 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

6. **Post-Hearing Filings.** The Settling Parties shall file their proposed order and any brief in support thereof on or before March 26, 2025. The CAC shall file its proposed order, exceptions, and/or supporting brief on or before April 7, 2025. The Settling Parties shall file any reply brief or arguments on or before April 14, 2025.

The remainder of the provisions set out in the Commission's October 9, 2024 Docket Entry remain unchanged.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



James F. Huston, Chairman



Loraine L. Seyfried, Chief Administrative Law Judge

Date: February 4, 2025