

**STATE OF INDIANA
INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

VERIFIED PETITION OF INDIANA GAS COMPANY,)
INC. D/B/A VECTREN ENERGY DELIVERY OF)
INDIANA, INC. (“VECTREN NORTH”) FOR (1))
AUTHORITY TO MODIFY ITS RATES AND)
CHARGES FOR GAS UTILITY SERVICE)
THROUGH A PHASE-IN OF RATES, (2))
APPROVAL OF NEW SCHEDULES OF RATES)
AND CHARGES, AND NEW AND REVISED)
RIDERS, (3) APPROVAL OF A NEW TAX)
SAVINGS CREDIT RIDER, (4) APPROVAL OF)
VECTREN NORTH’S ENERGY EFFICIENCY)
PORTFOLIO OF PROGRAMS AND AUTHORITY)
TO EXTEND PETITIONER’S ENERGY EFFICIENCY)
RIDER (“EER”), INCLUDING THE DECOUPLING)
MECHANISM EFFECTUATED THROUGH THE)
EER, (5) APPROVAL OF REVISED)
DEPRECIATION RATES APPLICABLE TO GAS)
PLANT IN SERVICE, (6) APPROVAL OF)
NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE ACCOUNTING)
RELIEF, AND (7) APPROVAL OF AN)
ALTERNATIVE REGULATORY PLAN PURSUANT)
TO WHICH VECTREN NORTH WOULD CONTINUE)
ITS CUSTOMER BILL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.)

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CAUSE NO. 45468

JOINT AGREED MOTION TO CONTINUE HEARING

INDIANA GAS COMPANY, INC. D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY INDIANA NORTH (formerly known as INDIANA GAS COMPANY, INC. D/B/A VECTREN ENERGY DELIVERY OF INDIANA, INC. and hereinafter referred to as “Petitioner” or “CEI North” or “Vectren North”), Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor (“OUCC”), and intervenors the Vectren North Industrial Group (“Industrial Group”), Direct Energy Business Marketing, LLC (“Direct Energy”) and Citizens Action Coalition of Indiana, Inc. (“CAC”) (collectively “Joint Movants”) respectfully inform the Commission that they have reached agreement in principle on a settlement to resolve the disputed issues in this

Cause. Accordingly, Joint Movants request that the Commission further continue the evidentiary hearing currently scheduled to commence June 18, 2021 to a date as yet to be determined, in order to afford Joint Movants time to memorialize their agreement as well as attempt to achieve a unanimous settlement in the case through discussion with the remaining parties in this proceeding not joining in this Motion. In support of this request, the Joint Movants state as follows:

1. On May 20, 2021, Petitioner filed a Motion to Continue Hearing and Notice of Settlement requesting that the evidentiary hearing in this Cause be continued to June 18, 2021, which request was granted by the Commission's May 21, 2021 Docket Entry.

2. Since that date, Joint Movants have engaged in further settlement discussions and reached agreement in principle resolving the remaining disputed issues in this Cause.

3. In addition, Petitioner believes discussion with the remaining parties not joining in this Motion may lead to an uncontested settlement of all issues in this case.

4. The settlement among the Joint Movants will narrow the issues to be addressed in this Cause, and, if a unanimous settlement is reached it would eliminate any potential opposition to the terms of the settlement reached among the Joint Movants.

5. The Joint Movants, therefore, respectfully request that the Commission continue the hearing scheduled to commence June 18, 2021 until a later date yet to be determined. A continuance would allow the Joint Movants to complete client review, memorialize their settlement and prepare supporting testimony without simultaneously engaging in, or preparing for, the evidentiary hearing on those dates. A continuance

would also afford the Commission time to review the settlement and supporting testimony in advance of the hearing.

6. The Joint Movants propose to submit by Monday, June 14, 2021 an agreed procedural schedule and proposed hearing date.

7. Counsel for the Petitioner has been authorized by counsel for the other Joint Movants to submit this filing on their behalf.

8. Counsel for intervenors Nucor-Steel Indiana, a Division of Nucor Corporation, and Steel Dynamics, Inc. have indicated to counsel for Petitioner they do not object to this Joint Agreed Motion to Continue Hearing.

WHEREFORE, the Joint Movants respectfully request that the Commission continue the evidentiary hearing currently set to commence June 18, 2021 until a date yet to be determined, in order to allow the parties to develop and submit a proposed procedural schedule for the remainder of this proceeding, including finalizing settlement and testimony in support thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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