

**STATE OF INDIANA**

**INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**VERIFIED PETITION OF WESTFIELD GAS, LLC, )  
D/B/A CITIZENS GAS OF WESTFIELD FOR (1) )  
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE RATES AND CHARGES )  
FOR GAS UTILITY SERVICE AND APPROVAL OF A )  
NEW SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES; (2) )  
APPROVAL OF CERTAIN REVISIONS TO ITS )  
TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO GAS )  
UTILITY SERVICE; AND (3) APPROVAL PURSUANT )  
TO INDIANA CODE SECTION 8-1-2.5-6 OF AN )  
ALTERNATIVE REGULATORY PLAN UNDER )  
WHICH IT WOULD CONTINUE ITS ENERGY )  
EFFICIENCY PROGRAM PORTFOLIO AND )  
ENERGY EFFICIENCY RIDER )**

**CAUSE NO. 44731**

**INDIANA OFFICE OF UTILITY CONSUMER COUNSELOR**

**PUBLIC'S EXHIBIT NO. 6**

**TESTIMONY OF BRIEN R. KRIEGER**

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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**TESTIMONY OF OUCC WITNESS BRIEN R. KRIEGER**  
**CAUSE NO. 44731**  
**WESTFIELD GAS, LLC, D/B/A CITIZENS GAS OF WESTFIELD**

**I. INTRODUCTION**

1 **Q: Please state your name and business address.**

2 A: My name is Brien R. Krieger, and my business address is 115 W. Washington Street, Suite  
3 1500 South, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.

4 **Q: By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

5 A: I have been retained by the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor ("OUCC") as a  
6 utility analyst. For a summary of my educational and professional experience and general  
7 preparation for this case, please see Appendix BRK-1.

8 **Q: What is the purpose of your testimony?**

9 A: Westfield Gas, LLC, d/b/a Citizens Gas of Westfield ("Westfield Gas" or "Petitioner")  
10 requested an across the board rate increase, where every customer class would receive the  
11 same percentage increase. Westfield Gas's rates are based on a cost of service study  
12 ("COSS") performed nearly thirty years ago and presented in Cause No. 38778-u. I  
13 performed an analysis that indicates Petitioner's across the board rate design does not  
14 represent the appropriate cost of service for each rate class. My testimony recommends  
15 Petitioner be required to perform and present a COSS in its next rate case. Also, for each  
16 class, I present a percentage of marginal revenues per class, which shows the disparity  
17 between the cost to serve customer classes based on the 1988 COSS versus the cost to serve  
18 customer classes based on updated allocators using current data.

1 **Q: Do you have any concerns with the across the board approach taken by Westfield Gas**  
2 **for its rate request?**

3 A: Yes. An across the board rate increase for this Cause is problematic because the Petitioner  
4 has not provided any analysis to establish the across the board increases appropriately  
5 allocates the costs of providing service to the customer classes. The same percentage rate  
6 increase to all customer classes has been implemented in all three base rate cases since  
7 Cause No. 40793, September 15, 1997. Petitioner's present rates and proposed rates are  
8 both dependent on class cost allocation from 1988 data. No longer should it be assumed  
9 the rates represent the cost to serve a customer class.

10 **Q: Does Petitioner propose changes to monthly customer service charges?**

11 A: Yes. Westfield Gas proposes increases to its monthly customer service charges.  
12 Residential customer service charges would increase from \$5.79 to \$12.00. Industrial  
13 customer service charges would increase from \$87.00 to \$122.53. Commercial customer  
14 service charges would increase from \$5.79 to \$37.00. Large Volume Interruptible customer  
15 service charges would increase from \$165.51 to \$1,282.32. Petitioner's proposed customer  
16 service charges are comparable to monthly customer charges of similar sized Indiana  
17 natural gas utilities. The OUCC does not propose any change to these charges as proposed.

## II. BACKGROUND

18 **Q: Please summarize the history of across the board rate increases for this utility.**

19 A: Petitioner's predecessor, Westfield Gas Corporation presented the last COSS for this utility  
20 in Cause No. 38778-u, with a test year ending *September 30, 1988*. The next rate increase  
21 was approved by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") in its Final  
22 Order in Cause No. 40793, approved on September 27, 1997, authorizing a 2.14% across

1 the board increase. (In 2002 under Cause No. 42095-u, the Commission approved  
2 Petitioner's request to set a new revenue requirement but with no rate increase.) In 2004,  
3 Citizens Energy Service Corporation ("CESCO" or "Citizens Energy") acquired Westfield  
4 Gas Corporation through a stock purchase. After Citizens Energy acquired Westfield Gas,  
5 its first base rate increase was approved on March 10, 2010 in Cause No. 43624, granting  
6 a 10.3% across the board increase.

7 **Q: How has Westfield Gas changed since its last cost of service study was completed in**  
8 **1988?**

9 A: In Cause No. 38778-u, rate base was only \$471,534. At that time the utility had 630  
10 residential customers, 90 commercial customers, and a single industrial customer. Some of  
11 those customers were served off of farm taps. In 1988 Westfield Gas employed eleven  
12 people and did not share corporate and field services with a parent company. Westfield Gas  
13 had 17 total miles of distribution mains.

14 Currently, Petitioner's original cost rate base is approximately \$7,600,000 as of  
15 April 30, 2016 as presented in OUCC's exhibit MHG-1, Schedule 1, which is 16 times  
16 larger than its 1988 rate base. On page 5, lines 14 -16 of his testimony, Mr. Johnson stated  
17 that Westfield Gas has invested over \$2.9 million in plant in the last several years. Presently  
18 there are approximately 3,500 residential, 410 commercial, 9 industrial and 2 large volume  
19 interruptible customers. Petitioner's workpaper WG620-1. Petitioner also shares  
20 corporate and field services with many affiliates. While Westfield Gas had 17 miles of  
21 distribution mains in 1988, it now has approximately 113 miles of distribution mains.  
22 Petitioner's Response to OUCC DR8.5.

1 **Q: With the growth and changes experienced by Westfield Gas, are new allocators**  
2 **needed to properly spread its costs across customer classes?**

3 A: Yes. Given the many changes, new allocators are needed to represent each customer class'  
4 share of Westfield Gas's costs.

5 **Q: In addition to the many changes over the past thirty years, are there other reasons a**  
6 **COSS would be appropriate?**

7 A: Yes. In Cause No. 38778-u, the Commission recognized the existence of some interclass  
8 subsidies and eliminated some but not all of those interclass subsidies when it set rates.  
9 Order, Cause No. 38778-u, p. 5, August 16, 1989. There is no evidence the remaining  
10 interclass subsidies have been eliminated over the years.

### **III. ANALYSIS OF THE 1988 COSS**

11 **Q: What is the purpose of a COSS?**

12 A: The goal of a COSS is to spread the cost a utility incurs in providing service to those  
13 specific customer classes that benefit from the costs incurred. The method is to determine  
14 each rate class' characteristics as it compares to all rate classes. These characteristics  
15 include annual consumption, peak consumption, and number of customers. These  
16 trackable characteristics, called allocators, are used to calculate a customer class'  
17 percentage of the total class characteristic. The total allocator (100%) is divided into each  
18 rate class's share (%) so that when each class's portion is multiplied against an assigned  
19 cost, it results in that customer class's share of the cost. More specifically, the allocator is  
20 assigned to its related cost category, a FERC account, to determine that rate class's fair  
21 share of that cost. After all of the utility costs are allocated, the costs are totaled to arrive  
22 at the rate class's actual cost of their utility service.

1 **Q: Did you analyze the 1988 COSS to determine whether it should be applied today?**

2 A: Yes. To determine if the 1988 COSS allocator percentages could be applied in the case, I  
3 needed to update the allocators with current data to see if today's percentages are the same  
4 as the 1988 percentages. I allocated Petitioner's plant in service, original cost, minus  
5 accumulated depreciation as of April 30, 2016 as presented in Petitioner's WP 470-S1. For  
6 each customer class I applied the OUCC's rate of return to the depreciated plant allocated  
7 to each class, then I added the OUCC's allocated expenses to produce each class's margin  
8 cost. I then compared this result to Petitioner's across the board margin customer class rate  
9 increases. The difference shows the deviation in plant and customer characteristics that  
10 have occurred since 1988 but not accounted for in the ongoing use of across the board rate  
11 design.

12 **Q: What process did you follow to update the 1988 COSS for purposes of this**  
13 **comparison?**

14 A: Westfield Gas's COSS in Cause No. 38778-u was performed by Mr. Patrick Callahan. To  
15 build on the 1988 COSS, I analyzed Mr. Callahan's assignment allocators to plant and  
16 expense costs. I used Petitioner's cost data found in its work papers, WP 470-S1 and WP  
17 105 in this Cause. I assembled Petitioner's costs and the associated FERC account numbers  
18 into Mr. Callahan's COSS format. Mr. Callahan's COSS used accounts similar to those  
19 used in the FERC's system of accounts but without using the FERC account numbers. In  
20 this Cause, Petitioner grouped its accounts using FERC's account numbers. Mr. Callahan  
21 designated his allocators with arabic numerals. For instance, Mr. Callahan refers to billing  
22 instances (number of bills issued) as Allocation Factor No. 6. I refer to my allocators as  
23 updated in 2016 for billing instances as Allocator No. 66. Similarly, Mr. Callahan's  
24 Allocation Factor No. 1 became Allocator No. 11 as updated for my analysis.

1 **Q: Were you always able to use the same allocators used in the 1988 COSS?**

2 A: No. In some cases I was not able to use the same allocators. For instance, Allocation  
3 Factor No. 4 (house/regulators) and Allocation Factor No. 5 (services) were used in the old  
4 COSS. Petitioner did not provide updated data for Allocation Factor No. 4 and Allocation  
5 Factor No. 5. In the absence of current data, I chose to replace house/regulators (Allocation  
6 Factor No. 4) and number of services (Allocation Factor No. 5) with *pro forma* billing  
7 instances. Also, when possible I directly allocated costs (e.g. industrial measuring and  
8 regulating equipment).

9 **Q: Were you able to update previously used allocators?**

10 A: Yes, for some but not all of the previously used allocators. I updated some allocators with  
11 data available in Petitioner's testimony, but not all needed data was included in Petitioner's  
12 testimony. When data was not included in its case, I asked Petitioner for the new data.  
13 However, the desired data was not provided by Petitioner. See Attachment BRK-6, pages  
14 1 and 2. Therefore, I had to choose a different allocation method for some accounts. I  
15 updated the allocators with Petitioner's data creating current allocators for customer billing  
16 instances, peak month therms, and annual therms. The allocators for peak month demand  
17 (Allocation Factor No. 1), *pro forma* therm sales (Allocation Factor No. 3), and billing  
18 instances (Allocation Factor No. 6) were recreated with Petitioner's data available in  
19 workpapers WG650-3 and WG650-6-12. Attachment BRK-1, page 1 and Attachment  
20 BRK-1, page 2 sets forth allocators used in 1988 and my updated allocators.

21 **Q: What do differences in the 1988 and the updated allocators indicate?**

22 A: I used the 1988 allocation method applied to plant and expenses, as much as possible, to  
23 be consistent with the derivation of Petitioner's present rates and proposed rates. Any

1 substantial differences indicate Petitioner's rate design does not appropriately allocate  
2 costs to serve each customer class.

3 **Q: How did you use the updated allocators to distribute net utility plant to rate classes?**

4 A: I used the updated allocators (Allocator Nos. 11 and 66) in the same manner Mr. Callahan  
5 used Allocation Factor Nos. 2 and 7 in the 1988 COSS<sup>1</sup>. More specifically, I allocated  
6 fifty percent (50%) of Distribution plant by peak month demand and I allocated the  
7 remaining fifty percent by *pro forma* number of bills (i.e. billing instances). This 50/50  
8 split allows for customers to share equally in plant based on its maximum consumption  
9 month and how many customers are participating in a customer class.

10 **Q: What allocators did you use for FERC accounts 380, 381, 382 and 383?**

11 A: These accounts refer to Services (380), Meters (381), Meter Installations (382) and House  
12 Regulators/Installations (383). I used billing instances (Allocator No. 66). In the 1988  
13 COSS, the utility allocated the cost of the services category with number of services  
14 (Allocation Factor No. 5). Meter/house regulator costs were allocated by meter/house  
15 regulator count (Allocation Factor No. 4). But Petitioner did not provide updated counts  
16 for these two allocators in its testimony and did not provide updated counts in response to  
17 my efforts to procure them through discovery. See Attachment BRK-6. Therefore, I chose  
18 to use billing instances (Allocator No. 66) for most of these accounts.

19 **Q: Why did you choose Allocator No. 66 for FERC accounts 380, 381, 382 and 383?**

20 A: FERC accounts 380-383 represent rate base that serves all customer classes, so absent

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<sup>1</sup> Allocation Factor No. 2 is similar to Allocation Factor No. 1, and Allocation Factor No. 7 is very similar to Allocation Factor No. 6. In this case, Allocator No. 66 would be identical to Allocator No. 77. I updated Allocation Factor No. 1 instead of Allocation Factor No. 2 because Allocation Factor No. 1 was more appropriate as there were no interruptions during the test year.

1 specific actual counts per rate class of services, meters, meter installations, and  
2 meters/house regulators this plant was allocated to all users; therefore, I used updated  
3 billing instances.

4 **Q: What allocator did you use for FERC Account 385?**

5 A: I was able to directly assign FERC account 385, Industrial Measuring and Regulating  
6 Equipment, only to industrial customers.

7 **Q: What allocator did you use for FERC Accounts 378 and 379?**

8 A: I allocated accounts 378-379 (Measuring and Regulating Equipment) on the average of  
9 peak demand month (Allocator No. 11) and billing instances (Allocator No. 66) because  
10 these accounts represent a portion of the distribution plant serving customers.

11 **Q: Were some utility plant accounts allocated like distribution plant?**

12 A: Yes. I used the 50/50 split of demand and billing instances for Measuring and Regulating  
13 Equipment, Material & Supplies Inventory, and Allocated Shared Field Services costs.

14 **Q: How did you allocate Corporate Support Services?**

15 A: I used billing instances, Allocator No. 66, since all customers may be considered to benefit  
16 from these support services. The Corporate Support Services contains such things as  
17 software, billing systems, and structures and improvements.

18 **Q: What expenses are allocated with the same percentages as in Cause No. 38778-u?**

19 A: I allocated Distribution Expenses (O&M) and Administrative and General (O&M) with the  
20 same percentages used in Cause No. 38778-u. I chose to continue the baseline allocation  
21 because I have no updated data and these expenses are typically tracked and assigned to  
22 rate classes internal to Petitioner. Purchased Gas expense is a direct cost and allocated on  
23 pro forma therm consumption per rate class.

1 **Q: What allocator did you use for Customer Accounts Expense and Customer Service**  
2 **Expense?**

3 A: I chose to allocate Customer Accounts and Customer Service expenses on billing instances  
4 (Allocator No. 66). These two accounts include costs such as meter reading, supervision,  
5 customer records and customer information. In Cause No. 38778-u, these costs had not  
6 been separated from Distribution Expenses and Administrative and General, but these  
7 accounts are assignable as a direct function of number of billing instances per rate class.

8 **Q: How did you allocate Depreciation and Amortization expenses?**

9 A: These expenses are tied to rate base, and therefore, I allocated these expenses based on  
10 each rate class' percentage of total rate base. See Attachment BRK-3.

11 **Q: How did you allocate taxes?**

12 A: Petitioner pays three types of taxes: Utility Receipts tax, Payroll tax, and Property tax. I  
13 allocated all of these taxes using a composite allocator that is based on the average of *pro*  
14 *forma* revenue, billing instances, and net rate base.

15 **Q: What does your analysis indicate the margin revenue requirements should be?**

16 A: Attachment BRK-4 shows the OUCC's proposed rate of return (8.732%) applied to  
17 depreciated plant (net original cost) listed on BRK-2. The OUCC's allocated expenses are  
18 carried over from BRK-3 without any commodity gas cost. These two cost categories are  
19 added together to get the OUCC's marginal cost per rate class with a total of \$2,224,061,  
20 which is \$395,184 less than Petitioner's request. On BRK-5, the Transport rates are  
21 combined into their associated class, commercial or industrial. These two transport  
22 customer classes pay the same delivery rate as their associated class but these transport  
23 customers purchase their commodity gas supply from a third party.

1 **Q: What are the results of your cost of service analysis?**

2 A: My results indicate Petitioner's "across the board" rate design does not represent the true  
3 cost to serve each rate class. My analysis indicates the marginal cost for the Residential  
4 Class would be increased by 20%, which, if you include the cost of gas consumption, would  
5 equate to a 2.5% total increase in a total customer's bill. The industrial class would  
6 experience a 35% decrease in margin resulting in a 27% total bill decrease. Similarly, the  
7 commercial class would experience a 16% total bill decrease. The interruptible transport  
8 class would experience a 55% decrease in margin cost.

9 **Q: What causes the Residential Class to have an increase in marginal cost while the other**  
10 **classes have a decrease?**

11 A: Most customer growth has been by the Residential Class. Thus, the Residential class has  
12 an increase in marginal cost because they represent a larger percentage of billing instances  
13 than in 1988.

14 **Q: Were gas commodity costs included in any of your allocated costs?**

15 A: No. I did not include gas commodity costs in any of my cost allocations. See BRK-5,  
16 which compares present and proposed margin costs. Therefore, applying these results (a  
17 margin increase) would have a relatively small effect on residential customers' bills.

#### IV. SUMMARY

18 **Q: Please summarize your findings concerning Petitioner's requested "across the board"**  
19 **rate increase.**

20 A: Since its last cost of service was performed nearly 30 years ago, Westfield Gas has  
21 experienced substantial growth. Petitioner's request for an across the board rate increase  
22 may not be appropriate. Customer count, annual consumption, and peak month demand  
23 have all increased five-fold. My review indicates continued across the board rate increases

1 would exacerbate cost allocation inequities among rate classes. In fact, basing rates on  
2 Petitioner's proposed rate base and rate of return would further exacerbate these cost  
3 inequities.

4 **Q: What do you recommend?**

5 A: I recommend the Commission order Petitioner to perform and present a COSS in its next  
6 rate case. (If Petitioner has not filed a rate case before January 1, 2020, I recommend  
7 Petitioner perform a COSS by June 30, 2020 and provide a copy of the COSS to the  
8 OUCC.) Meanwhile, the OUCC's recommended rate decrease should be applied on an  
9 across the board basis.

10 **Q: Does this conclude your testimony?**

11 A: Yes.

**AFFIRMATION**

I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that the foregoing representations are true.

Brien R. Krieger

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Sept. 28, 2016

Date

**APPENDIX BRK-1 TO THE TESTIMONY OF**  
**OUCW WITNESS BRIEN R. KRIEGER**

1   **Q:   Please describe your educational background and experience.**

2   A:   I graduated from Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana with a Bachelor of  
3       Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering in May 1986 and a Master of Science Degree  
4       in Mechanical Engineering in August 2001 from Purdue University at the IUPUI campus.  
5       From 1986 through mid-1997, I worked for PSI Energy and Cinergy progressing to a  
6       Senior Engineer. After the initial four years as a field engineer and industrial  
7       representative in Terre Haute, Indiana I accepted a transfer to corporate offices in  
8       Plainfield, Indiana where my focus changed to energy efficiency implementation and  
9       power quality. Early Demand Side Management (“DSM”) projects included ice storage  
10      for Indiana State University, Time of Use rates for industrials, and DSM Verification and  
11      Validation reporting to the IURC. I was an Electric Power Research Institute committee  
12      member on forums concerning electric vehicle batteries/charging, municipal  
13      water/wastewater, and adjustable speed drives. I left Cinergy and worked approximately  
14      two years for the energy consultant, ESG, and then worked for the OUCW from mid-1999  
15      to mid-2001.

16             I completed my Masters in Engineering in 2001, with a focus on power generation  
17      including aerospace turbines and left the OUCW to gain experience and practice in  
18      turbines. I was employed by Rolls-Royce (2001-2008) in Indianapolis working in an  
19      engineering capacity on military engines. This work included: fuel-flight regime  
20      performance, component failure mode analysis, and military program control account  
21      management.

1           From 2008 to 2016 my employment included substitute teaching in the Plainfield,  
2 Indiana school district, grades 3 through 12. I passed the math Praxis exam requirement  
3 for teaching secondary school. During this period, I also performed contract engineering  
4 work for Duke Energy and Air Analysis.

5           Over my career I have attended various continuing education workshops at the  
6 University of Wisconsin and written technical papers. While previously employed at the  
7 OUCC, I completed NARUC's Utility Rate School hosted by the Institute of Public  
8 Utilities at Michigan State University. In 2016, I have attended two cost of service/rate  
9 making courses: Rate Making Workshop (ISBA Utility Law Section) and Financial  
10 Management: Cost of Service Rate-Making (AWWA).

11           My current responsibilities include reviewing and analyzing Cost of Service  
12 Studies ("COSS") relating to cases filed with the Commission by natural gas, electric and  
13 water utilities.

14 **Q: Have you previously filed testimony with the Commission?**

15 **A:** Yes. This year I provided written testimony concerning the cost of service study in  
16 Community Natural Gas Corp's base rate case, Cause No. 44768. While previously  
17 employed by the OUCC, I wrote testimony concerning the Commission's investigation  
18 into merchant power plants, power quality, Midwest Independent System Operator and  
19 other procedures. Additionally, I prepared testimony and position papers supporting the  
20 OUCC's position on various electric and water rate cases during those same years.

21 **Q: Please describe the general review you conducted to prepare this testimony.**

22 **A:** I reviewed previous Indiana base rate petitions for natural gas utilities. I reviewed the  
23 testimony and the respective Commission Orders with a focus on associated cost of

1 service studies. I reviewed and analyzed Petitioner's prefiled direct testimony, exhibits,  
2 and data request responses for this Cause. I focused primarily on the testimony, exhibits,  
3 and work papers of Petitioner's witness LaTona Prentice.

OUCC's CURRENT ALLOCATORS versus 1988 COSS ALLOCATORS FROM CAUSE NO. 38778-U														
38778-u	OUCC	Allocator #	Allocator Name	Residential			Commercial			Industrial			Interruptible	
				R-Total	D20	C, P, & G -Total	D40	D40P (transport)	D30	D30T (transport)	Interruptible	D50D		
				38778-u	44731	38778-u	44731	44731	38778-u	44731	38778-u	44731	38778-u	44731
1	11		Peak Month Demand	57.46%	50.26%	32.99%	29.87%	11.30%	2.67%	1.49%	0.07%		7.38%	7.00%
2			Peak Month Demand (less farm taps/50% of interruptible)	64.13%		32.24%			0.00%				4.13%	
3	33		Pro Forma Therms	56.29%	48.99%	31.49%	27.96%	10.73%	5.88%	1.30%	0.04%		6.33%	10.98%
4			Meter/House Regs	43.54%	N/A	45.59%	N/A	N/A	4.08%	N/A	N/A		6.79%	N/A
5			Services	75.12%	N/A	16.55%	N/A	N/A	2.50%	N/A	N/A		5.84%	N/A
6	66		Number of Bills (instances)	87.40%	89.63%	12.33%	9.20%	0.91%	0.13%	0.18%	0.02%		0.13%	0.05%
7			Number of Bills less farm taps	88.56%		11.31%			0.00%				0.14%	
8			O&M and Working Capital (calculated from 38778-u)	80.69%		15.48%			1.11%				2.72%	
	99		Average of 11 & 66		69.95%		19.54%	6.11%		0.84%	0.05%			3.53%

Note

Allocators 2, 4, 5, and 7 were used for utility plant in Cause No. 38778-u COSS.  
 Allocator 8 was calculated from Cause No. 38778 O&M Expense and also used for Working Capital.  
 Allocator 66 is Pro Forma Billing Instances and is equal proxy to number of customers.  
 N/A means data not available from Petitioner, see DR 16.1 and DR 16.2

Allocator #	CAUSE NO. 38778-U ALLOCATORS VS. CAUSE NO. 44731 ALLOCATORS WITH UPDATED DATA													
	Residential				Commercial				Industrial			Interruptible		
	R-domestic	R-heating	D20	Commercial	Public Authority	Grain	D40	D40P	Industrial	D30	D30T	Interruptible	D50D	
	<b>TOTAL</b>													
<b>Peak Month Demand</b>														
1	296 0.14%	122247 57.32%	582801 50.3%	66761 31.30%	2536 1.19%	10 0.50%	346406 29.9%	131084 11.3%	0 2.67%	17228 1.5%	812 0.1%	7868 7.38%	81205 7.0%	
11														
<b>Peak Month Demand</b> (less Farm Taps/50% of interruptible)														
2	296 0.16%	121997 63.97%		57996 30.41%	2536 1.33%	10 0.50%			0 0.00%			7868 4.13%		
<b>Pro Forma Therm Sales</b>														
3	2161 0.19%	650869 56.10%		350764 30.23%	10587 0.91%	4025 0.35%			68266 5.88%			73472 6.33%		
33													643,693 11.0%	
<b>Meter/House Regulators</b>														
4	0.87%	42.68%		40.82%	0.39%	4.39%			4.08%			6.79%		
44													N/A	
<b>Services</b>														
5	1.53%	73.58%		10.02%	0.46%	6.07%			2.50%			5.84%		
55													N/A	
<b>Pro Forma Number of Bills Issued</b>														
6	160 1.78%	7681 85.62%		1046 11.66%	48 0.54%	12 0.13%			12 0.13%			12 0.13%		
66													24 0.05%	
<b>Pro Forma Number of Bills Issued</b> (less farm taps)														
7	160 1.81%	7671 86.75%		940 10.63%	48 0.54%	12 0.14%			0 0.00%			12 0.14%		

NOTE

The single digit allocators are from Westfield Gas Corporation, Summary of Allocators, Page 70 of COS design Cause No. 38778-u  
The double digit allocator numbers are OUCC produced allocators using present Westfield Gas, LLC data  
Westfield Gas, LLC Test Year Data used when supplied in Case-in-Chief

D20, D30, D30T, D40, D40P, D50D are Petitioner's rate classes in 44731



Account	Allocated Expenses for Margin Revenue Requirement	Residential D20	Industrial			Commercial			Interruptible D50D
			D30	D30T (Transport)	D40	D40P (Transport)			
			<b>TOTAL</b>						
<b>Purchased Gas</b>									
804-813	Natural Gas Purchased Total								
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Production Expense</b>								
	total	\$ -							
856	<b>Transmission Expense</b>								
	total	\$ -							
870-894	<b>Distribution Expense (O&amp;M)</b>								
	Operation Supervision & Engineering								
	Mains and Services								
	Meters and House Regulators								
	Other								
	subtotal	\$ 149,444.33	\$ 1,031.79	\$ 1,031.79	\$ 14,330.58	\$ 14,330.58	\$ 14,330.58	\$ 14,330.58	\$ 5,028.93
901-905	<b>Customer Accounts Expense</b>								
	Supervision								
	Meter Reading								
	Customer Records and Collection								
	Uncollectible Accounts								
	subtotal	\$ 60,747.43	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 6,236.27	\$ 6,236.27	\$ 6,236.27	\$ 6,236.27	\$ 33.33
907-910	<b>Customer Service &amp; Information Expense</b>								
	total	\$ 10,966.52	\$ 22.57	\$ 22.57	\$ 1,125.81	\$ 1,125.81	\$ 1,125.81	\$ 1,125.81	\$ 6.02
920-932	<b>A &amp; G (O&amp;M)</b>								
	total	\$ 582,558.38	\$ 4,022.07	\$ 4,022.07	\$ 55,862.94	\$ 55,862.94	\$ 55,862.94	\$ 55,862.94	\$ 19,603.60
408-409	<b>Taxes</b>								
	total	\$ 115,421.35	\$ 1,091.49	\$ 1,091.49	\$ 24,270.33	\$ 24,270.33	\$ 24,270.33	\$ 24,270.33	\$ 4,106.69
403-406	<b>Depreciation &amp; Amortization Expense</b>								
	total	\$ 318,849.12	\$ 2,950.99	\$ 2,950.99	\$ 69,554.12	\$ 69,554.12	\$ 69,554.12	\$ 69,554.12	\$ 10,630.67
	<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	\$ 1,237,987	\$ 9,244	\$ 9,244	\$ 171,380	\$ 171,380	\$ 171,380	\$ 171,380	\$ 39,409

		MARGIN REVENUE REQUIREMENT									
		Residential		Industrial		Commercial		Interruptible			
		D20	D30	D30T (Transport)	D40	D40P (Transport)	D50D (transport)				
	<b>TOTAL</b>										
Allocated Rate Base		\$ 7,610,271	\$ 5,756,847	\$ 3,691	\$ 1,255,805	\$ 348,710	\$ 191,938				
Rate of Return	8.732%										
Return on Rate Base		\$ 664,529	\$ 502,688	\$ 322	\$ 109,657	\$ 30,449	\$ 16,760				
Allocated Expenses		\$ 1,559,532	\$ 1,237,987	\$ 5,335	\$ 171,380	\$ 96,177	\$ 39,409				
Revenue Requirement		\$ 2,224,061	\$ 1,740,675	\$ 5,657	\$ 281,037	\$ 126,626	\$ 56,169				

	MARGIN REVENUE REQUIREMENT				
	Residential D20	Industrial D30 & D30T (transport)	Commercial D40 + D40P (transport)	Interruptible D50D (transport)	
Present Rates	\$ 2,258,174	\$ 29,875	\$ 651,431	\$ 126,081	
Petitioner's Proposed Rev. Req.	\$ 2,619,245	\$ 34,713	\$ 756,386	\$ 146,512	
OUCC Rev. Req.	\$ 2,224,061	\$ 19,553	\$ 407,663	\$ 56,169	
	\$ (395,184)	\$ (15,160)	\$ (348,723)	\$ (90,343)	
OUCC % Change from Present Rates	20.0%	-34.5%	-37.4%	-55.4%	

Note

The Industrial and Commercial Transport (D30T & D40P) are contained within the Industrial and Commercial rates. Transport Rate costs are allocated with their respective rate class because they pay the same delivery charge. Petitioner's pro forma revenue requirement from LSP-2, page 6 of 6, column J, including miscellaneous revenue.

## DATA REQUESTS

### **DATA REQUEST NO. 1:**

What was the total number of meter/house regulators per rate class at the end of the test year?

### **RESPONSE:**

Petitioner objects to the foregoing Data Request to the extent it requests that Petitioner prepare a study or conduct an analysis that does not exist, as opposed to seeking tangible documents that are in Petitioner's possession. Petitioner further objects to the foregoing Data Request on the grounds that it is vague and ambiguous. Petitioner did not conduct a cost of service study in this pending proceeding which would have caused Petitioner to gather meter and house regulator information. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objection, if the Data Request is referring to meters as the number of billing instances by rate class, please see Petitioner's Attachment LSP -1, Page 3 of 16, column J filed on June 17, 2016.

### **WITNESS:**

N/A

**DATA REQUEST NO. 2:**

What was the total number of services per rate class at the end of the test year?

**RESPONSE:**

Petitioner objects to the foregoing Data Request on the grounds that it is vague and ambiguous. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objection, if the Data Request is referring to services per rate class as the number of billing instances by rate class, please see Petitioner's Attachment LSP-1, Page 3 of 16, column D filed on June 17, 2016.

**WITNESS:**

N/A

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that a copy of the foregoing *Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor Public's Exhibit No. 6 Testimony of Brien R. Krieger* has been served upon the following counsel of record in the captioned proceeding by electronic service on September 26, 2016.

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