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PETITION OF THE CITY OF FORT)
WAYNE, INDIANA, FOR AUTHORITY TO)
ISSUE LONG-TERM DEBT TO FINANCE) CAUSE NO. 46311
WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS AND)
TO ADJUST ITS RATES AND CHARGES)
FOR WATER SERVICE)

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

On October 24, 2025, The City of Fort Wayne, Indiana (“Fort Wayne”), filed an Unopposed Motion to Establish Procedural Schedule (Motion”) that set forth a procedural schedule that Petitioner asserted the Indiana Office of Consumer Counselor (“OUCC”) had agreed upon. The Presiding Officers, having reviewed the proposed schedule, 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, 2023, 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.** Petitioner filed with the Commission its prepared testimony and exhibits constituting its case-in-chief on October 17, 2025. Copies of the same were served upon all parties of record.
4. **OUCC’s 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 January 30, 2026. Copies of the same shall be served upon all parties of record.
5. **Petitioner’s Rebuttal and Cross-Answering Prefiling Date.** Petitioner shall prefile with the Commission its prepared rebuttal testimony on or before February 25, 2026. The OUCC and all other Intervenors shall prefile their respective cross-answering testimony and exhibits, if any, on or before February 25, 2026. Copies of the same shall be served upon all parties of record.
6. **Evidentiary Hearing.** The cases-in-chief of Petitioner, the OUCC, and any intervenors shall be presented in an evidentiary hearing to commence at 10:30 a.m. on March 18, 2026 in Room 224 of the PNC Center, 101 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. At such time, the direct

evidence of the respective parties shall be presented and their respective witnesses examined. Thereafter, Petitioner shall present its prefiled rebuttal evidence, as well as any additional evidence rebutting evidence adduced on cross-examination of the OUCC's or intervenors' witnesses. If the parties reach settlement, the agreement and supporting testimony and exhibits shall be submitted to the Commission ten business days prior to the evidentiary hearing.

7. **Field Hearing.** A public field hearing to provide interested ratepayers with an opportunity to offer comments concerning this Cause shall be held at a time, date, and location set forth in a subsequent docket entry.

8. **Hearing Exhibits.** Paper copies of exhibits to be offered at the evidentiary hearing must be (a) single-sided and (b) fastened together with staples, binder clips, or other non-permanent bindings that have no more than three holes along the longest edge. Exhibits that contain Excel spreadsheets or are oversized or voluminous in nature should be run through an optical character recognition ("OCR") program and offered on a compact disc. Confidential exhibits shall be offered on green paper in an envelope marked "confidential" or, if offered on a compact disc, the exhibits and compact disc shall be labeled "confidential."

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 Petitioner's Rebuttal Prefiling date, any response or objections to a discovery request shall be made within five business days. Discovery requests served after 5:00 p.m. on Monday through Thursday or after 12:00 p.m. on Friday or the day before a holiday shall be deemed served the next business day. Subject to the protection of confidential information, all parties will be served with discovery requests and responses.

11. **Prefiling of Workpapers.** When prefilng 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 prefilng 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 as soon as an objection can be reasonably determined, but no less than ten 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



Kehinde Akinro, Administrative Law Judge

Date: November 5, 2025
