FILED
DECEMBER 22, 2016
INDIANA UTILITY
REGULATORY COMMISSION

44893

VERIFIED DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

STEPHEN A. ALLAMANNO

ON BEHALF OF

INDIANAPOLIS POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

VERIFIED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF STEPHEN A. ALLAMANNO ON BEHALF OF INDIANAPOLIS POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

1	Q1.	Please state your name, employer and business address.
2	A1.	My name is Stephen A. Allamanno. I am employed by AES U.S. Services, LLC, the
3		service company of Indianapolis Power & Light Company ("IPL" or "Company"). My
4		business address is One Monument Circle, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.
5	Q2.	What is your position with AES US Services, LLC?
6	A2.	I am the Interim Director – Regulatory Tax for the US Strategic Business Unit ("SBU").
7	Q3.	Please describe your duties as Interim Director – Regulatory Tax.
8	A3.	I manage all aspects of federal and state income, property, sales and use tax for the
9		regulated businesses that are part of the US SBU, including IPL. I work closely with US
10		SBU accounting, finance, legal, operations and development teams. I also partner with
11		the Arlington, Virginia tax group on a variety of US federal, state, and local tax matters.
12	Q4.	Please summarize your educational and professional qualifications.
13	A4.	I am a Certified Public Accountant and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Business
14		Administration degree in Accounting from The Ohio State University in 1987. I obtained
15		a Master's Degree in Business Administration ("MBA") from The Ohio State University
16		in 1993.
17	Q5.	Please summarize your prior work experience.
18	A5.	I have spent my entire professional career of approximately 25 years working in the
19		corporate tax field. From January 1988 to October 1998, I worked in the tax department

of Cummins Inc. in Columbus, Indiana. From 1988 to 1991, my responsibilities primarily related to US federal, state, and local tax compliance work. From September 1991 to June 1993, I took a leave of absence from Cummins to obtain my MBA. I returned to Cummins on a full-time basis from July 1993 to October 1998. During this time, I focused on international tax compliance and planning efforts. From October 1998 through March 1999, I served as Director of International Tax for Cardinal Health, Inc. in Dublin, Ohio, holding responsibility for all US tax aspects of the company's non-US operations. I once again returned to Cummins in May 1999 and remained with the company through July 2011. Over this period of time, I served in a variety of roles, handling tax compliance, planning, and provision work for both domestic and international operations. From August 2011 through December 2013, I served as Vice President – US Tax for Technicolor USA, Inc. in Carmel, Indiana. At Technicolor, I was responsible for managing all U.S. tax matters of the company. From January 2014 through July 2016, I served as the Tax Director of the US SBU for AES Services US, LLC, with responsibility for managing all US tax matters of the company. I assumed my current role as Interim Director – Regulatory Tax in August 2016, focusing specifically on tax matters affecting the regulated businesses that are part of the US SBU, including IPL.

- Q6. Have you previously testified before the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("IURC" or "Commission") or other regulatory agencies?
- 21 A6. Yes. I have previously offered testimony before the Indiana Commission in Cause No.
 22 44576 on behalf of IPL, and also in Ohio Case No. 15-1830-EL-AIR on behalf of The
- Dayton Power & Light Company.

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

1	Q7.	What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?
2	A7.	The purpose of my testimony in this proceeding is to present and support the federal,
3		state, and local income taxes to which IPL is subject. I am also responsible for the
4		calculation of the gross income conversion factor and adjustments to certain taxes other
5		than income taxes.
6	Q8.	Are you sponsoring any exhibits or schedules?
7	A8.	Yes. I am sponsoring the following:
8 9		• <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-REVREQ, Schedule REVREQ2</u> – Gross Revenue Conversion Factor
10 11		• <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule OTX1</u> – Summary of Taxes Other Than Income Taxes
12 13		• <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule OTX2</u> – Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes, Including Rail Car Tax
14 15		• <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule OTX4</u> – Indiana Utility Receipts Tax
16 17		• <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX1</u> – Summary of Income Tax Expense
18 19		• <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX2</u> – Current Federal Income Tax Expense
20 21		• <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX3</u> – Current State Income Tax Expense
22 23		• <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX4</u> – Deferred Federal and State Income Tax Expense
24 25		• <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX5</u> – Investment Tax Credit Adjustments
26		• <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX6</u> – Interest Synchronization
27 28		• <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX7</u> – Imputation of Parent Company Interest

 IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX8 – E 	Effective Income Tax Rate
--	---------------------------

2

- 3 Q9. Were the Exhibits or portions of the Exhibits that you are sponsoring prepared or
- 4 assembled by you or under your direction or supervision?
- 5 A9. Yes.
- 6 Q10. Did you submit any workpapers?
- 7 A10. Yes. The calculations shown on the schedules identified above have been cross-
- 8 referenced, when appropriate, to the workpapers which provide additional detailed
- 9 support for these calculations.
- 10 Q11. Please explain the normalization method of accounting used for income taxes and ratemaking.
- 12 A11. For income tax return purposes, the Company's depreciation expense deductions are 13 calculated using accelerated rates provided for in the Internal Revenue Code. For 14 regulatory and book accounting purposes, depreciation expense is calculated on a 15 straight-line basis over the useful life of the relevant property using depreciation rates 16 approved by the Commission. The regulatory and book treatment of depreciation 17 included in the income tax component of cost of service is referred to as the 18 normalization method of accounting and is required by the Internal Revenue Code. The difference between accelerated depreciation for tax purposes and normalized depreciation 19 20 for book purposes creates a timing (also referred to as "temporary") difference. 21 Ultimately, the same amount of total depreciation expense will be claimed for both tax 22 and book purposes; however, the depreciation deductions taken in individual years will 23 differ. The timing differences created by the use of different depreciation methods for

tax and for book purposes are recorded on the Company's balance sheet in an accumulated deferred income tax reserve account.

Q12. Please explain <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-REVREQ</u>, <u>Schedule REVREQ2</u> – Gross Revenue Conversion Factor.

A12. IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-REVREQ, Schedule REVREQ2 shows the calculation of the factor necessary to determine the incremental amount of gross revenue required to generate an additional dollar of operating income after payment of all public utility assessment fees and federal and state income taxes. This exhibit calculates income tax expense based on the underlying financial data of the Company, including all applicable revenues and expenses. The income tax calculation includes both the current and deferred components of income tax expense, based upon the prevailing statutory rates.

Q13. Please explain <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER</u>, <u>Schedule OTX2</u> – Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes, Including Rail Car Tax.

A13. IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule OTX2 summarizes the property tax liabilities of the Company based on the most recent assessments and rates. The detail concerning the most recent assessed values and the most recent tax rates is set forth in my workpapers. Property tax expense for the test year includes an adjustment for the property taxes associated with the CCGT for the initial year in which it is placed in service. The adjustment is necessary to annualize and normalize the increase to property tax expense that is caused by placing the CCGT in service during the adjustment period. During construction, property tax expense is accrued on construction work in progress. Once the CCGT is placed in service, property tax expense will accrue as utility plant in service. I have computed the property tax expense that will accrue the first tax year on

1		the CCGT, reflecting as well a 60% property tax abatement that has been granted by
2		Morgan County and which will take effect once the CCGT is in service.
3	Q14.	Please explain <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule OTX4</u> – Indiana Utility
4		Receipts Tax.
5	A14.	IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule OTX4 calculates the Company's Indiana
6		Utility Receipts Tax liability for the test year based on the current tax rate of 1.4%. The
7		test year calculation is then updated to include appropriate pro forma adjustments to the
8		receipts subject to Utility Receipts Tax. By far the largest pro forma adjustment related
9		to electric retail revenues, as illustrated in IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule
10		<u>REV1</u> , which is addressed in IPL Witness Forestal's testimony.
11	Q15.	Please explain <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER</u> , <u>Schedule TX1</u> – Summary of
12		Income Tax Expense.
13	A15.	This schedule summarizes the total amount of income tax expense incurred by the
14		Company for the test year with adjustments. It is divided into current and deferred
15		income tax expense. The detail supporting the calculations on this schedule is shown
16		on IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedules TX2 through TX7.
17	Q16.	Please explain <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedules TX2</u> (Current Federal
18		Income Tax Expense) and TX3 (Current State Income Tax Expense).
19	A16.	IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedules TX2 and TX3 show the calculation of
20		current federal and state income tax expense, both of which carry over into lines 1 and 2
21		on <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER</u> , <u>Schedule TX1</u> . I will start my explanation with <u>IPL</u>
22		Financial Evhibit IPL OPER Schedule TX2 which calculates current federal income tay

expense at present and proposed rates. The calculation of federal income tax expense (current and deferred) begins with the determination of net operating income before tax. Before we can apply the federal income tax rate of 35%, we must first adjust for permanent differences. These are items where, for instance, expenses may not be fully deductible for purposes of computing taxable income or where deductions may be allowed for tax purposes which are not reflected in the calculation of net operating income. These permanent differences are shown in lines 6 through 10 of IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX2. To compute the current portion of federal income tax expense (as compared to the deferred portion), we must account for temporary or timing differences. The most common of these differences is the use of accelerated methods of depreciation for tax. The temporary differences are indicated on lines 12 through 52 of IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX2. Next, we deduct synchronized interest on line 54 of IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX2. IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX6 shows the calculation of the amount of interest expense deduction used by the Company for purposes of computing income tax expense. This amount is calculated by multiplying the adjusted rate base by the weighted cost of long-term debt. This interest expense deduction methodology is consistent with past Commission practice. The next adjustment is for the allocation of parent company interest, which is shown on line 55 of IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX2. Consistent with prior Commission Orders, this is an adjustment to reduce the Company's income tax expense for an allocated share of the tax benefit associated with the interest expense incurred by its parent company (The AES Corporation) as a result of the Company's participation in The AES Corporation's consolidated income tax return

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

1	filings. This calculation is illustrated in <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER</u> , <u>Schedule TX7</u> .
2	The computation reflected in <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER</u> , <u>Schedule TX7</u> includes
3	an adjustment to remove the portion of the Company's capital contributed by CDPQ, 1 as
4	the Company neither engages in nor benefits from the filing of a consolidated income tax
5	return with this entity. State income tax is then deducted to arrive at taxable income for
6	purposes of computing current federal income tax expense at present and proposed
7	rates. <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX3</u> then provides a calculation of
8	current state income tax expense. The starting point for this calculation is federal taxable
9	income.

Q17. Please explain <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER</u>, <u>Schedule TX4</u> – Federal and State Deferred Income Tax Expense.

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

A17. This schedule shows the itemization of the components of federal and state deferred income tax expense at present and proposed rates. The totals on lines 3 and 4 of <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER</u>, <u>Schedule TX1</u> are drawn from lines 45-51 from <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER</u>, <u>Schedule TX4</u>. Each component feeding the calculation of deferred income tax is listed in this schedule.

Q18. Please explain <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER</u>, <u>Schedule TX5</u> – Investment Tax Credit.

19 A18. This schedule reflects the test year amortization of Investment Tax Credits previously
20 reflected on Federal tax returns over the service life of the property that generated the
21 credits.

¹ CDP Infrastructure Fund GP, a wholly-owned subsidiary of La Caisse de depot et placement du Quebec (the "CDPQ"), owns a minority equity interest in IPALCO, IPL's immediate parent company.

- 1 Q19. Please explain <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX6</u> Interest
- 2 **Synchronization.**
- 3 A19. IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX6 shows the calculation of the amount of
- 4 interest expense deduction used by the Company for purposes of computing income tax
- 5 expense. This amount is calculated by multiplying the adjusted original cost rate base
- 6 reflected on IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-RB, Schedule RB-2, which is sponsored by IPL
- Witness Forestal, by the weighted cost of long-term debt. This interest expense
- 8 deduction methodology is consistent with past Commission practice.
- 9 Q20. Please explain <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX8</u> Effective Tax
- 10 **Rate.**
- 11 A20. <u>IPL Financial Exhibit IPL-OPER, Schedule TX8</u> calculates the Company's effective tax
- rate after taking into consideration permanent and flow-through timing differences and
- investment tax credit amortization. The total effective tax rate before rate relief is
- 14 26.96% and is calculated by dividing total income tax expense by pre-tax electric
- operating income including interest expense.
- 16 Q21. Does that include conclude your verified pre-filed direct testimony?
- 17 A21. Yes.

VERIFICATION

I, Stephen A. Allamanno, Interim Director – Regulatory Accounting for AES U.S. Services, LLC, affirm under penalties of perjury that the foregoing representations are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Stephen A. Allamanno

Dated: December 22, 2016