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MEMORANDUM

TO: Commission Chairman James F. Huston
Commissioners Freeman, Krevda, Ober, and Ziegner

FROM: Commission Technical Divisions

DATE: March 11, 2022

RE: 30-Day Utility Articles for Conference on *Wednesday March 16, 2022 @ 10:00 a.m.*

The following thirty-day filings have been submitted to the Commission. Each item was reviewed by the appropriate Commission Technical Divisions and all regulations were met in accordance with 170 IAC 1-6 Thirty-Day Administrative Filing Procedures and Guidelines. Therefore, the following filings listed below and attached hereto are recommended to be considered by the Commission at the next conference:

Attachment Number	30-Day Filing No.	Name of Utility Company	Type of Request	Date Received
1	50461	Indiana Michigan Power Company	Requesting a waiver to 170 IAC 4-1-10 (b) and (c)	11/1/2021

Submitted By: Jane Steinhauer

Director, Natural Gas Division

Filing Party: Indiana Michigan Power Company (“I&M”)
30-Day Filing ID No.: 50461
Date Filed: November 1, 2021
Filed Pursuant To: 170 IAC 1-6; 170 IAC 4-1-10 (b) and (c)

Request: I&M requests a temporary waiver of portions of 170 IAC 4-1-10 (b) and (c), titled “In-Service tests; wathhour meters, self-contained,” which govern the technical standards for electric meter testing. Annually, I&M is required to remove from service and test approximately 28,000 single-phase meters in compliance with this rule.

I&M is requesting approval of the temporary waiver, beginning January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024, of portions of 170 IAC 4-1-10 (b) and (c) that pertain to annual sample and periodic meter tests because it is in the process of replacing a significant portion of existing meters with Advanced Metering Infrastructure (“AMI”) meters.

Customer Impact: If I&M’s request is granted, it will be able to better serve customers by utilizing I&M resources more effectively in the field during the AMI meter deployment. The waiver would also eliminate the potential for multiple service interruptions that may occur when meters have to be tested and then removed again during the AMI meter installation. I&M will continue to commit to providing meter testing upon customer requests during the waiver period.

Tariff Pages Affected: N/A

Staff Recommendations: Staff believes the proposal to waive portions of 170 IAC 4-1-10 (b) and (c) will be beneficial to I&M’s customers as it will allow I&M to focus its efforts towards transitioning to AMI meters. This will result in fewer service interruptions that would otherwise result from the testing of new AMI meters which may have recently been installed. Such testing of these new meters would require installation to occur multiple times, thus causing inefficiencies and potential delays in the AMI transition that was approved as part of the Settlement Agreement approved in Cause No. 45576. Therefore, Staff believes the waiver of 170 IAC 4-1-10 (b) and (c) is reasonable and recommends approval.