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STATE OF INDIANA
INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF AN ORDER)
APPROVING UTILITY ARTICLES)
PURSUANT TO 170 IAC 1-6.)

APPROVED: DEC 28 2017

The Indiana Administrative Code provides for Thirty-Day Administrative Filing Procedures and Guidelines pursuant to the authority of Ind. Code 8-1-1-3 and Ind. Code 8-1-2-42. The thirty-day filing process is available for certain routine and non-controversial requests to facilitate expedited consideration of these matters by the Commission. The rule sets forth the requirements for the thirty-day administrative filings.

The thirty-day filings received pursuant to 170 IAC 1-6 and ripe for Commission action are attached hereto and collectively referred to as the Utility Articles. There are no controversial filings in the Utility Articles approved today. There is a thirty day filing by Washington Township Water Authority ("WTWA") requesting to add a Utility Locate Fee. With regard to the WTWA request, the Commission finds the fee should be approved based on the specific facts and circumstances that exist which include the following:


- The fee is limited to utility locates requested as a result of the I-69 project, which has been extended in duration.
- The fee is temporary and will expire once the I-69 project is complete.
- The fee is similar in amount to independent quotes obtained by the utility.
- The utility is small, and thus, its customers are burdened with the costs associated with the dramatic increase in utility locate requests.
- The legal requirement to call 811, to acquire a locate before proceeding with work and the potential fines imposed per statute for failing to do so, remains regardless of the fee.
- If there are future requests, the requests can be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Pursuant to the rule, the Commission Technical Divisions have submitted their recommendations to the Commission. Therefore, the Commission finds that the requirements of 170 IAC 1-6 have been met and that the Utility Articles attached are hereby approved.

ATTERHOLT, FREEMAN, WEBER, HUSTON, AND ZIEGNER CONCUR:

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**I hereby certify that the above is a true
and correct copy of the Order as approved.**



Mary M. Becerra
Secretary of the Commission



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Commission Chairman James D. Atterholt
 Commissioners Freeman, Huston, Weber and Ziegner

FROM: Commission Technical Divisions

DATE: December 22, 2017

RE: 30-Day Utility Articles for Conference on *Thursday December 28, 2017 @ 2:00 p.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 | 50082 | Washington Township Water | Request an addition to WTWA's current Schedule of Rates and Charges for the inclusion of a non-recurring charge for utility locates in excess of one locate per sire per person or entity related to the I-69 project. | 9/25/2017 |
| 2 | 50096 | Citizens Gas | Customer Benefit Distribution ("CBD") | 11/22/2017 |
| 3 | 50097 | Citizens Thermal Energy | Proposed language changes to the respective Rate 3 Additional Summer Service for the steam utility. | 11/27/2017 |

Submitted By: E. Curtis Gassert
Director, Water/Wastewater Division

Filing Party: Washington Township Water Authority
30-Day Filing ID No.: 50082
Date Filed: September 25, 2017
Filed Pursuant To: 170 IAC 1-6
Request: The utility proposes to add a Utility Locate Charge in the amount of \$31.56 to its non-recurring charges.
Customer Impact: No direct rate or charge impact.

Tariff Pages Affected: Addition of Page 4 (Tariff pages not currently numbered)

Staff Recommendations: Washington Township Water Authority (“WTWA”) requests to add a non-recurring charge of \$31.56 per utility locate for locate requests in excess of one per vendor request related to the I-69 project. Based on the facts and circumstances related to this situation, staff recommends approval. The number of utility locate requests for the Washington Township Water Authority has increased dramatically over the past five years from approximately 500 per year to more than 5,000. This increase is directly attributable to the I-69 project which has been extended in duration. The additional locates have necessitated the addition of one employee, additional equipment and monitoring processes. The utility proposes to eliminate the fee when Section 5 of the I-69 project is complete. The fee is designed to recover approximately \$113,616 per year which is specific to the cost increase incurred from the I-69 project. Washington Township Water Authority has less than 1,500 customers. OUCC staff has informally communicated acceptance with the charge because of the impact to utility customers. The proposed fee is similar in amount to independent quotes obtained by the utility.

Submitted By: Jane Steinhauer
Director, Energy Division

Filing Party: The Board of Directors for Utilities of the Department of Public Utilities of the City of Indianapolis d/b/a Citizens Gas (“Citizens”)

30-Day Filing ID No.: 50096

Date Filed: November 22, 2017

Filed Pursuant To: 170 IAC 1-6

Request: Citizens Gas requests Commission approval of its updated Customer Benefit Distribution (“CBD”) filing, which is made in compliance with the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement in Cause No. 41605. The Settlement Agreement established the CBD for the purposes of: 1) distributing available funds from its unregulated businesses and affiliates or subsidiaries to Citizens Gas customers and 2) providing a means for Citizens Gas to recover certain agreed to FAS106 and FAS71 costs incurred by Citizens Gas.

Customer Impact: Citizens Gas is proposing to revise the CBD Rider from \$(0.0008) per therm to \$(0.0007) per therm.

Tariff Pages Affected: Seventh Revised Page No. 503 (Rider C, Customer Benefit Distribution).

Staff Recommendations: Requirements met; staff recommends approval of the updated CBD rate.

Submitted By: Jane Steinhauer
Director, Energy Division

Filing Party: Citizens Thermal

30-Day Filing ID No.: 50097

Date Filed: November 27, 2017

Filed Pursuant To: Commission Order No. 44781 dated November 22, 2016

Request: Revision to Rate 3 – Additional Summer Service tariff.

The Additional Summer Service tariff currently provides a reduced charge for customers of steam chilling and other warm weather applications during the months of April through October, regardless of outside temperature, and during the months of November through March when the mean temperature for the previous day was 40 degrees or higher. Citizens Thermal is requesting to change the language so the rate is allowed from November through March when the forecasted mean temperature for the following day is 40 degrees or higher, according to the National Weather Service forecast.

Citizens Thermal states that using the forecasted temperature will allow customers better utilization of steam services.

Customer Impact: N/A

Tariff Page(s) Affected: Steam Terms and Conditions, First Revised Page No. 103

Staff Recommendation: Recommend approval.