

STATE OF INDIANA

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

PETITION OF MIDWEST NATURAL GAS)
CORPORATION FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE ITS)
RATES, CHARGES, TARIFFS, RULES, AND)
REGULATIONS; AUTHORIZATION OF THE)
ISSUANCE OF LONG-TERM DEBT; AND APPROVAL)
OF AN ALTERNATIVE REGULATORY PLANS)
PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 8-1-2.5-6 FOR)
PURPOSES OF IMPLEMENTING AN ENERGY)
EFFICIENCY PROGRAM, ASSOCIATED FUNDING)
AND DECOUPLING MECHANISMS, AND CHANGES)
TO PETITIONER'S CALCULATION OF COSTS FOR)
EXTENSION OF DISTRIBUTION MAINS.)

CAUSE NO. 44063

**JOINT SUBMISSION OF AGREED TEST YEAR, PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE,
AND WAIVER OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

Petitioner, Midwest Natural Gas Corporation ("Petitioner"), by counsel, and the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor ("OUCC"), by counsel, (collectively the "Parties"), respectfully request the Commission issue an order establishing the following test years and procedural schedule in this Cause:

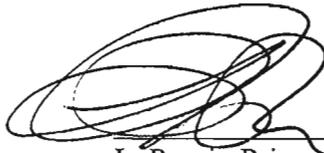
- Test year for determining Petitioner's actual and proforma operating revenues, expenses and operating income is June 30, 2011 adjusted for changes that are fixed, known and measurable and occur within 12 months following the end of the test year.
- The test year for rate base is October 31, 2011
- Petitioner's prefiling – November 8, 2011 on all accounting and financial matters and November 21, 2011 on all cost of service issues.
- OUCC's and any Intervenor's prefiling – March 8, 2012
- Petitioner's Rebuttal – March 28, 2012
- Evidentiary Hearing – on or after April 11, 2012
- All documents, including testimony, exhibits, and discovery shall be served on opposing counsel electronically wherever possible.
- Within two (2) business days after each testimony filing, all supporting workpapers must be submitted to the Commission and served on opposing counsel, using electronic service, wherever possible, or another form of same-day service on opposing counsel.

Additionally, the Parties agree that discovery should be conducted informally. Through March 7, 2012, responses to discovery requests shall be due ten (10) calendar days after service of the underlying request. The Parties also agree that, after the OUCC's or any Intervenor's prefiling date (March 8, 2012), the response time on discovery requests will be shortened to four (4) business days.

The Parties further stipulate that, in light of the above agreement on scheduling, there is no need for the Commission to conduct a Prehearing Conference in this Cause. Therefore, both Parties respectfully waive their rights under 170 I.A.C. 1-1.1-15(d)-(f).

WHEREFORE, the Parties respectfully request the Commission enter an order approving the foregoing test years, procedural schedule, and other matters set forth above, and awarding all other appropriate relief to which the Parties may be entitled.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that a copy of the foregoing *Joint Submission of Agreed Procedural Schedule and Waiver of Prehearing Conference* has been served upon the following counsel of record in the captioned proceeding by electronic service on October 20, 2011.

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