

STATE OF INDIANA

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

VERIFIED PETITION OF DUKE ENERGY)
INDIANA, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF TWO)
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RATES AND)
ASSOCIATED TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF)
SERVICE: (1) PROPOSED STANDARD)
CONTRACT RIDER NO. 58, ECONOMIC)
DEVELOPMENT RIDER; AND (2) PROPOSED)
STANDARD REDEVELOPMENT RIDER NO. 54,)
BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT RIDER)

CAUSE NO. 44258

APPROVED:

NOV 28 2012

PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND INTERIM ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Presiding Officers:

David E. Ziegner, Commissioner

Jeffery A. Earl, Administrative Law Judge

On October 2, 2012, Duke Energy Indiana, Inc. ("Petitioner") filed its petition with the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") in this matter.

Pursuant to notice and as provided for in 170 IAC 1-1.1-15, a Prehearing Conference in this Cause was held at 10:00 a.m. on November 9, 2012, in Hearing Room 224, 101 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. Proofs of publication of the notice of the Prehearing Conference have been incorporated into the record and placed in the official files of the Commission. Petitioner and the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor ("OUCC") appeared and participated at the Prehearing Conference. No members of the general public appeared.

Prior to the opening of the record and with the consent of all parties in attendance, an informal discussion was held regarding procedural and scheduling matters in this Cause. The agreement of the parties was then read into the record.

Based upon the agreement of the parties, the Commission now enters the following Findings and Order which shall become a part of the record in this proceeding:

1. **Petitioner's Prefiling Date.** The Petitioner prefiled with the Commission the prepared testimony and exhibits constituting its case-in-chief on October 2, 2012.

2. **OUCC's and Intervenors' Prefiling Date.** The OUCC and any Intervenors shall prefile with the Commission the prepared testimony and exhibits constituting their respective cases-in-chief on or before January 9, 2013. Copies of same shall be served upon all parties of record.

3. **Petitioner's Rebuttal Prefiling.** The Petitioner shall prefile with the Commission its prepared rebuttal testimony on or before January 23, 2013. Copies of same shall be served upon all parties of record.

4. **Witness Order.** Parties shall submit their intended order of witnesses to the Commission and the parties in writing at least 72 hours in advance of the evidentiary hearing.

5. **Evidentiary Hearing on the Parties' Cases-In-Chief.** The cases-in-chief of the Petitioner, the OUCC and any Intervenors shall be presented in an evidentiary hearing to commence at 9:30 a.m. on February 11, 2013, in Hearing Room 222, 101 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. At such time, the direct evidence of the respective parties should be presented and their respective witnesses examined. Thereafter, Petitioner should 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 five (5) business days prior to the Evidentiary Hearing.

6. **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.

7. **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 (10) calendar days of the receipt of such request until Petitioner files its rebuttal evidence. Thereafter, any response or objection to a discovery request shall be made within five (5) business days. The parties have agreed to conduct discovery by electronic means.

8. **Prefiling of Workpapers.** When prefiling technical evidence with the Commission, each party shall file copies of the work papers used to produce that evidence within two (2) business days after the prefiling 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 (2) copies of each document shall be filed with the Secretary of the Commission.

9. **Number of Copies/Corrections.** With the exception of work papers, the parties shall file with the Commission an original and five (5) copies of all prefiled testimony and exhibits. Any corrections to prefiled testimony shall be made in writing as soon as possible after discovery of the need to make such corrections. Although the Commission's rules require that original copies be one-sided, it is the Commission's preference that duplicate copies use both sides of the paper.

Parties may also elect to file documents with the Commission using the Commission's Electronic Filing System in lieu of filing paper documents. Pursuant to the terms and conditions of

the Electronic Filing System, documents filed electronically are deemed filed the date they are submitted, subject to verification and acceptance by the Commission, and will receive an electronic file stamp. For filings greater than thirty (30) pages in length, a party shall file with the Commission an original and one (1) paper copy within two (2) business days of the electronic filing. When supplying such copies, the party must provide a copy of the email reflecting the electronic filing was accepted by the Commission.

10. 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 no less than two (2) business days prior to the date scheduled for commencement of the hearing at which the testimony or exhibit will be offered into the record.

11. 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.

12. Interim Order. During the Prehearing Conference and Preliminary Hearing, Petitioner requested that the Commission issue a Preliminary Order authorizing Petitioner to continue to offer the existing Standard Contract Riders 54 and 58 pending a Final Order in this Cause. Petitioner also requests that Standard Contract Rider 59 be allowed to expire at the end of 2012. The OUCC did not object to the issuance of a preliminary order.

Petitioner's prefiled evidence shows that thirteen companies have taken advantage of Rider No. 58 and have created or are expected to create approximately 2500 jobs. One company has taken advantage of Rider No. 54, and is expected to create 90 jobs within several years. The evidence also shows that Petitioner's other customers will not be negatively impacted because the share of program costs not fully borne by participating customers will be borne by Petitioner's shareholders and not by non-participating customers. No customers have taken advantage of Standard Contract Rider No. 59.

Based on the evidence provided, we find that Standard Rider Nos. 54 and 58, which were approved in our Final Order in Cause No. 43567 and are set to expire on December 31, 2012, should continue to be offered on an interim basis pending our final order in this Cause. Companies are currently participating in both programs and there is no negative impact to non-participating customers. Therefore, we authorize Petitioner to continue to offer Standard Rider Nos. 54 and 58 pending further Commission order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION that:

1. The determinations of the Prehearing Conference set forth in this Order are made a part of the record in this Cause and shall be binding on all present and future parties of record during the proceedings of this Cause.

2. Petitioner is authorized to continue offering Standard Contract Rider No. 54, Brownfield Redevelopment Rider, and Standard Contract Rider 58, Economic Development Rider, on an interim basis pending a final order in this Cause or other further order of the Commission.

3. This Order shall be effective on and after the date of its approval.

ATTERHOLT, BENNETT, LANDIS, MAYS AND ZIEGNER CONCUR:

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



Brenda A. Howe
Secretary to the Commission