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David E. Veleta  
Administrative Law Judge  
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission  
101 W. Washington Street, Suite 1500 East  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Mr. Veleta:

Pursuant to IC 4-22-2-28, the Indiana Economic Development Corporation ("IEDC") has reviewed the economic impact analysis for small business associated with rule changes contained in LSA Document 10-184 and proposed by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("IURC"). The proposed rule adds 170 IAC 5-5 to establish procedures for resolving violations of underground plant protection laws associated with excavation activities.

According to the economic impact statement prepared by the IURC, Indiana Code requires the adoption of this rule which will apply to any person or business engaged in excavation activities or who owns underground facilities. However, the IURC economic impact statement indicates that the proposed rule will result in no increased costs to small businesses beyond those costs already associated with the underlying statute.

The IEDC does not object to the economic impact to small businesses associated with the proposed rule. The IURC has indicated that any costs associated with the proposed rule are already required under existing statute. If you have any questions about the comments contained herein please contact me at 232-8962 or [rasberry@iedc.in.gov](mailto:rasberry@iedc.in.gov).

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ryan Asberry", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ryan Asberry  
Assistant Vice President