TITLE 170 INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Economic Impact Statement

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IC 4-22-2.1-5 Statement Concerning Rules Affecting Small Businesses

I. Estimate of Number of Small Businesses That Will Be Subject to this Rule.

As required by <u>IC 4-22-2.1-5(a)(1)</u>, the estimate of the number of small businesses, classified by industry sector, that will be subject to the proposed rule:

NONE. This rule applies to municipal water and wastewater utilities and their customers. There will be no impact on small businesses.

As required by <u>IC 4-22-2.1-5(a)(2)</u>, the estimate of the average annual reporting, record keeping, and other administrative costs that small businesses will incur to comply with the proposed rule:

NONE.

As required by <u>IC 4-22-2.1-5(a)(3)</u>, the estimate of the total annual economic impact that compliance with the proposed rule will have on all small businesses subject to the rule:

NONE.

II. Justification Statement.

As required by IC 4-22-2.1-5(a)(4), the following statement justifies any requirement or cost that is imposed on small businesses by the rule; and not expressly required by the statute authorizing the agency to adopt the rule; or any other state or federal law. The statement required by this subdivision must include a reference to any data, studies, or analyses relied upon by the agency in determining that the imposition of the requirement or cost is necessary.

NOT APPLICABLE.

III. Regulatory Flexibility Analysis.

As required by <u>IC 4-22-2.1-5(a)(5)</u>, this regulatory flexibility analysis considers any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the proposed rule. The analysis under this subdivision considers the following methods of minimizing the economic impact of the proposed rule on small businesses:

- (A) The establishment of less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses.
- (B) The establishment of less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses.

NONE.

- (C) The consolidation or simplification of compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses.
 NONE
- (D) The establishment of performance standards for small businesses instead of design or operational standards imposed on other regulated entities by the rule. NONE.
- (E) The exemption of small businesses from part or all of the requirements or costs imposed by the rule. NONE.

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