

February 19, 2018

Via Electronic Filing – 30 Day Filings - Gas

Ms. Mary M. Becerra
Secretary to the Commission
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission
101 West Washington Street
Suite 1500 East
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

***RE: Northern Indiana Public Service Company – 30 Day Filing Pursuant to
170 IAC 1-6-1 et seq.***

Dear Ms. Becerra:

In accordance with 170 IAC 1-6-1, enclosed please find Northern Indiana Public Service Company's ("NIPSCO") First Revised Sheet Nos. 11, 12 and 13 of its General Rule and Regulations of its IURC Gas Service Tariff, Original Volume No. 7. Effective February 16, 2018, the legal name of Northern Indiana Public Service Company was changed to Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC. All references to "Company," "NIPSCO" or "Northern Indiana Public Service Company" are used interchangeably and shall mean and refer to Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC.

The revisions do not impact any of NIPSCO's Customers that are receiving gas service under NIPSCO's IURC Gas Service Tariff, Original Volume No. 7. The proposed revision is shown in the attached redlined tariff sheets.

170 IAC 1-6-3(3) states that changes to rules and regulations are an allowable type of filing and the proposed revision is a change to the definitions included in its General Rules and Regulations. Thus, this filing is an allowable request under 170 IAC 1-6-3. This filing does not require confidential treatment nor does it seek any other relief identified in 170 IAC 1-6-4, so it is not prohibited under the Commission's Rule.

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In accordance with 170 IAC 1-6-5(2), contact information for the utility regarding this filing is:

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Northern Indiana Public Service Company
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In accordance with 170 IAC 1-6-5(3), a clean and redlined version of the proposed tariff sheets is attached. There are no work papers necessary to support this filing as required in 170 IAC 1-6-5(4).

In accordance with 170 IAC 1-6-5(5), I have verified this letter as to these representations in compliance with 170 IAC 1-6-5(5). A copy of this filing is being provided via electronic mail to the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor ("OUCC"). Furthermore, NIPSCO has shared this filing with the OUCC prior to its filing.

In accordance with 170 IAC 1-6-6, NIPSCO provided notice to its customers in Lake County on February 16, 2018. A copy of the proof of publication will be submitted as soon as it is received. NIPSCO has posted notice of this change in its local customer service office at 3229 Broadway, Gary, Indiana and has placed the notice on its website under pending tariffs (see <http://www.nipsco.com/About-us/Rates-Tariffs/30-Day-Filings.aspx>).

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Please let me know if the Commission Staff has any questions or concerns about this submission.

Sincerely,



Timothy R. Caister
Vice President, Regulatory Policy

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cc (w/ encl. – via email transmission)

Abby R. Gray, Office of Utility Consumer Counselor (agray@oucc.in.gov,
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GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS
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1. DEFINITIONS (continued)

- 1.14 Company. Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC.
- 1.15 Contract Obligation. The quantity of gas as specified in the contract between the Company and the Customer as of the commencement of a Curtailment.
- 1.16 Contract Year. Twelve consecutive months used in the application of Rate Schedules.
- 1.17 Curtailment. The reduction of a Customer's delivery at the request of the Company pursuant to the Rules.
- 1.18 Customer. Any person, firm, corporation, municipality, or other government agency which has agreed orally or otherwise, to pay for gas service received from a public utility.
- 1.19 Customer Charge. The dollar amount set forth in each Rate Schedule.
- 1.20 Delinquent Bill. A Customer Bill that has remained unpaid for the period set forth in the IURC Rules (170 IAC 5-1-13).
- 1.21 Demand. The daily average of the quantity of gas used by the Customer for the Billing Period that the Company's Peak Day occurs. It is calculated by taking the Customer's total quantity of gas that is delivered in the Billing Period that the Peak Day occurs and dividing by the number of days in that Billing Period.
- 1.22 Demand Charge. The portion of a Customer's Bill based on the Customer's Demand and calculated on the Billing Demand under the applicable Rate Schedule.
- 1.23 Disconnection. The termination or discontinuance of gas service.
- 1.24 Distribution Charge. The portion of a Customer's Bill based on the Customer's per unit Therm consumption under the applicable Rate Schedule.
- 1.25 Dekatherm (Dth). A unit of energy equal to ten (10) Therms or one million Btu.
- 1.26 Dwelling Unit. A residential living quarter.
- 1.27 Feed Stock Gas. Natural gas used as a raw material for its chemical property in creating a product.
- 1.28 FERC. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission or its successor.
- 1.29 Gas Cost Adjustment (GCA). The gas cost recovery process approved for the Company through various Commission orders.
- 1.30 General Service. Service provided to a Non-Residential Customer.

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- 1.31 Human Needs Customers. Customers that include hospitals, medical centers, nursing homes and Customers where Curtailments would adversely affect public health and safety such as municipal fire departments, police departments, civil defense and emergency Red Cross services.
- 1.32 Industrial Customer. Any Customer who is engaged primarily in a process that creates or changes raw or unfinished materials into another form or product.
- 1.33 Interruption. The implementation of the terms and conditions of an applicable interruptible Rate Schedule at the request of the Company.
- 1.34 IURC. Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission or its successor.
- 1.35 IURC Rules. Rules and regulations for gas utilities promulgated by the IURC, codified in Title 170 of the Indiana Administrative Code (IAC), Article 5.
- 1.36 Late Payment Charge. A one-time penalty assessed upon a Delinquent Bill.
- 1.37 Living Quarters. Hotels, motels, dormitories and similar dwelling places under Service Priority Class II.
- 1.38 Maximum Daily Quantity. The maximum amount of gas that the Company is contractually required to deliver to the Customer during any day in the billing month.
- 1.39 Mcf. One thousand cubic feet, a measurement of the quantity of gas at standard conditions.
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- 1.41 Non-Residential Customer. Any customer that is not a Residential Customer.
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- 1.43 Peak Day. The day of the year that the maximum throughput of gas occurs for the Company.
- 1.44 Peak Month. The month of the year that the maximum system wide throughput of gas occurs for the Company.

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- 1.45 Plant Protection Level. The minimum quantity of Gas Service for firm curtailable Transport Customers, required by Customer to prevent endangering the health and safety of personnel, or to prevent material damage to Customer's facilities, equipment, or property. This includes the protection of such material currently in process at the time a Curtailment is called which would otherwise be destroyed, but shall not include Gas Service required to maintain plant production.
- 1.46 Premise. The main residence, or Living Quarters for the use of a single family, or main building of a Commercial Customer, which includes the outlying or adjacent buildings used by the Customer provided the use of the service in the outlying or adjacent buildings is supplemental to the service used in the main residence or building.
- 1.47 PSIG. Pounds per square inch gauge.
- 1.48 Rate Schedules. The part of the Tariff setting forth the availability and charges for service supplied to a particular group of Customers, as filed with and approved by the IURC.
- 1.49 Residential Customer. Any Customer that resides in a residential dwelling, mobile home, apartment or condominium using gas for space heating, cooling, water heating and/or other residential uses.
- 1.50 Residential Service. Service provided to a Residential Customer.
- 1.51 Riders. The part of the Tariff setting forth supplemental provisions applicable to specific Rate Schedules, as filed with and approved by the IURC.
- 1.52 Rules. The part of the Tariff setting forth the General Rules and Regulations Applicable to Gas Service, as filed with and approved by the IURC.
- 1.53 Sales Customer. A Customer receiving Sales Service from the Company.
- 1.54 Sales Service. Gas service involving the delivery by the Company to the Customer of Company supplied gas.
- 1.55 Tariff. The entire body of the Rules, Rate Schedules and Riders.
- 1.56 Therm. Commercial unit of heat. One Therm equals one hundred thousand Btu.
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**Verified Statement of Northern Indiana Public Service Company
Concerning Notification of Customers Affected by February 19, 2018 30-Day Filing**

Northern Indiana Public Service Company complied with the Notice Requirements under 170 IAC 1-6-6 in the following manner:

- The attached notice was posted in a public place at NIPSCO's customer service office at 3229 Broadway, Gary, Indiana;
- The same notice was posted on NIPSCO's website under 30-Day Filings (see <http://www.nipSCO.com/About-us/Rates-Tariffs/30-Day-Filings.aspx>).
- A legal notice was published in the Post-Tribune (Lake County), a newspaper of general circulation that has a circulation encompassing the highest number of the utility's customers affected by the filing, on February 16, 2018; and
- I affirm under penalties for perjury that the foregoing representations are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Dated this 19th day of February, 2018.



Timothy Caister
Vice President, Regulatory Policy

NOTICE OF 30-DAY FILING

On or about February 19, 2018, Northern Indiana Public Service Company (“NIPSCO”) will submit to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission for approval under its 30-Day Filing procedures, 170 IAC 1-6-1, *et seq.* revised Definitions included in its General Rules and Regulations. The referenced filing will consist of NIPSCO’s proposed revisions to modify the Definitions included in its General Rules and Regulations to reflect that effective February 16, 2018, the legal name of Northern Indiana Public Service Company was changed to Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC. With this change, all references in NIPSCO’s currently-approved IURC Gas Service Tariff, Original Volume No. 7 to “Company,” “NIPSCO” or “Northern Indiana Public Service Company” will be used interchangeably and shall mean and refer to Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC. The revisions do not impact any Customers receiving gas service under NIPSCO’s IURC Gas Service Tariff, Original Volume No. 7. A decision on the 30-Day Filing is anticipated at least thirty days after the February 19, 2018 filing date. Any objection to the filing should be directed to (a) the Secretary of the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission, PNC Center, 101 West Washington Street, Suite 1500 East, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or (b) the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor, PNC Center, 115 West Washington Street, Suite 1500 South, Indianapolis, IN 46204.