## MEDIA ADVISORY

## Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission



## Opportunity for Public Comment on City of South Bend's Rate Case

**What:** A field hearing will be held in South Bend by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (Commission) to hear from the public on the rate case petition of the City of South Bend under Cause No. 44951.

When: October 24, 2017, at 6 p.m. ET

Where: South Bend Century Center – Recital Hall, 120 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, South Bend, Indiana, 46601

**Why:** The City of South Bend has filed a petition before the Commission for a new schedule of rates and charges for water service.

**How:** During field hearings, ratepayers have the opportunity to speak directly to the Commission or submit written comments. Please note, though, that because this is a pending case, the commissioners and judge are not allowed to answer questions or engage in any discussion about the case. Those who are unable to attend may submit written comments to the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor at <a href="www.in.gov/oucc/2361.htm">www.in.gov/oucc/2361.htm</a>. Ratepayers also can submit their comments by mail, email, or fax:

Mail: Consumer Services Staff
Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor
115 W. Washington St., Suite 1500 South
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Email: <u>uccinfo@oucc.IN.gov</u> | Fax: (317) 232-5923

Written comments should include the ratepayer's name, mailing address, and a reference to "Cause No. 44951."

If you would like to access case-related documents under Cause No. 44951, visit the Commission's Electronic Document System at <a href="https://iurc.portal.in.gov/searchlegalcase/">https://iurc.portal.in.gov/searchlegalcase/</a>. Instructions on how to best use this database can be found at <a href="https://iurc.portal.in.gov/User%20manual.pdf">https://iurc.portal.in.gov/User%20manual.pdf</a>.

## **About the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (Commission)**

The Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission is a fact-finding body that hears evidence in cases filed before it and makes decisions based on the evidence presented in those cases. An advocate of neither the public nor the utilities, the Commission is required by state statute to make decisions that balance the interests of all parties to ensure the utilities provide safe and reliable service at just and reasonable rates.

The Commission also serves as a resource to the legislature, executive branch, state agencies, and the public by providing information regarding Indiana's utilities and the regulatory process. In addition, Commission members and staff are actively involved with regional, national, and federal organizations regarding utility issues affecting Indiana. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.in.gov/iurc">www.in.gov/iurc</a>.

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