

**ORIGINAL**

**GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
OF THE INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION  
2023-04**

Commissioner	Yes	No	Not Participating
Huston	√		
Bennett	√		
Freeman	√		
Veleta	√		
Ziegner	√		

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2023, House Enrolled Act 1007 was signed into law by Governor Eric J. Holcomb, with an effective date of July 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, House Enrolled Act 1007 added Indiana Code § 8-1-2-0.6, which declares that it is the continuing policy of the State of Indiana “that decisions concerning Indiana’s electric generation resource mix, energy infrastructure, and electric service ratemaking constructs must consider” the following attributes (commonly referenced as the “Five Pillars”):

- 1) Reliability,
- 2) Affordability,
- 3) Resiliency,
- 4) Stability, and
- 5) Environmental sustainability; and

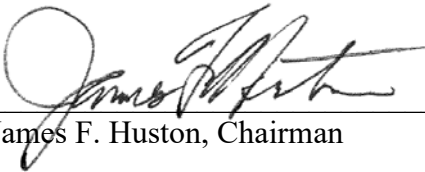
WHEREAS, House Enrolled Act 1007 also added Indiana Code § 8-1-8.5-3.3 and amended Indiana Code §§ 8-1-8.5-4 and -5, to require the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (“Commission” or “IURC”) and its staff, including the Director of the Commission’s Research, Policy, and Planning Division, to consider, evaluate, and comment on the Five Pillars as defined in Indiana Code 8-1-2-0.6; and

WHEREAS, electric utilities submit various types of petitions, filings, plans, and reports with the Commission, including, but not limited to, base rate cases, certificate of public convenience and necessity (“CPCN”) requests, infrastructure improvement plans (such as plans regarding Transmission, Distribution, and Storage System Improvement Charges (“TDSIC”)), and integrated resource plans (“IRPs”); and

WHEREAS, electric utilities have previously included information, discussions, and evidence regarding the individual attributes making up the Five Pillars, but may not have delineated that information, discussion, or evidence using the terminology and definitions provided in Indiana Code § 8-1-2-0.6; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that providing guidelines for the utilities providing information, discussions, and evidence regarding the Five Pillars is in the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Guidelines re: the Five Pillars, which are attached to this General Administrative Order as Appendix A, be adopted by this Commission.



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James F. Huston, Chairman



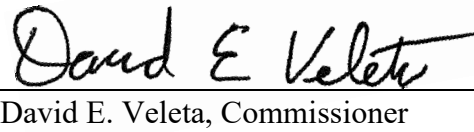
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Wesley R. Bennett, Commissioner



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Sarah E. Freeman, Commissioner



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David E. Veleta, Commissioner



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David E. Ziegner, Commissioner

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

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**Dana Kosco, Secretary of the Commission**

**Date: JUN 28 2023**

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## APPENDIX A TO GAO 2023-04

### GUIDELINES regarding the FIVE PILLARS

The following guidelines apply regarding information, discussions, and evidence to be provided to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (“Commission” or “IURC”) regarding the Five Pillars:

#### 1) **Indiana Code § 8-1-2-0.6**

Sec. 0.6. The general assembly declares that it is the continuing policy of the state that decisions concerning Indiana's electric generation resource mix, energy infrastructure, and electric service ratemaking constructs must consider each of the following attributes of electric utility service:

(1) Reliability, including:

(A) the adequacy of electric utility service, including the ability of the electric system to supply the aggregate electrical demand and energy requirements of end use customers at all times, taking into account:

(i) scheduled; and

(ii) reasonably expected unscheduled;

outages of system elements; and

(B) the operating reliability of the electric system, including the ability of the electric system to withstand sudden disturbances such as electric short circuits or unanticipated loss of system components.

(2) Affordability, including ratemaking constructs that result in retail electric utility service that is affordable and competitive across residential, commercial, and industrial customer classes.

(3) Resiliency, including the ability of the electric system or its components to:

(A) adapt to changing conditions; and

(B) withstand and rapidly recover from disruptions or off-nominal events.

(4) Stability, including the ability of the electric system to:

(A) maintain a state of equilibrium during:

(i) normal and abnormal conditions; or

(ii) disturbances; and

(B) deliver a stable source of electricity, in which frequency and voltage are maintained within defined parameters, consistent with industry standards.

(5) Environmental sustainability, including:

(A) the impact of environmental regulations on the cost of providing electric utility service; and

(B) demand from consumers for environmentally sustainable sources of electric generation.

## 2) Applicability of the Five Pillars

Each electric utility is encouraged to include information, discussions, and/or evidence regarding the Five Pillars in its case-in-chief for any case filed with the Commission concerning the utility's electric generation resource mix, energy infrastructure, and/or electric service ratemaking constructs, including the following submitted to the Commission after June 30, 2023:

- a) Base rate cases filed under Indiana Code §§ 8-1-2-42 and/or 8-1-2-42.7.
- b) Certificates of public convenience and necessity, power purchase agreements, and other resource acquisitions (such as build-transfer agreements, purchase sale agreements, or other similar agreements), under Indiana Code chapter 8-1-8.5 and Indiana Code § 8-1-8.8-11(b).
- c) Certificates of public convenience and necessity for federally mandated projects under Indiana Code § 8-1-8.4-6.
- d) Plans for Transmission, Distribution, and Storage System Improvement Charges pursuant to Indiana Code § 8-1-39-10.
- e) Integrated resource plans submitted pursuant to the Indiana Administrative Code (IAC), specifically 170 IAC 4-7.
- f) Demand side management and energy efficiency plans made pursuant to Indiana Code § 8-1-8.5-10(j)(10) and 170 IAC 4-8-2.
- g) Requests for financial incentives under Indiana Code § 8-1-8.8-11.
- h) Requests for preapproval under Indiana Code § 8-1-2-23.

An index should also be provided with the location of information, discussions, and/or evidence regarding of each of the Five Pillars attributes.