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MEMORANDUM

TO: Commission Chairman James F. Huston
Commissioners Freeman, Krevda, Ober, and Ziegner

FROM: Commission Technical Divisions

DATE: November 13, 2020

RE: 30-Day Utility Articles for Conference on *Wednesday November 18, 2020 @ 10:00 a.m.*

The following thirty-day filings have been submitted to the Commission. Each item was reviewed by the appropriate Commission Technical Divisions and all regulations were met in accordance with 170 IAC 1-6 Thirty-Day Administrative Filing Procedures and Guidelines. Therefore, the following filings listed below and attached hereto are recommended to be considered by the Commission at the next conference:

Attachment Number	30-Day Filing No.	Name of Utility Company	Type of Request	Date Received
1	50367	Northern Indiana Public Service Co - Gas	Proposing revisions to Rider 173 – Universal Service Program (USP) Rider to update the definition of “Hardship Customer” to include customers who fall at or below 250% of the federal poverty guidelines.	10/19/2020

Submitted By: Jane Steinhauer
Director, Energy Division

Filing Party: Northern Indiana Public Service Co. LLC (“NIPSCO”)

30-Day Filing ID No.: 50367

Date Filed: October 19, 2020

Filed Pursuant To: 170 IAC 1-6-1

Request: NIPSCO is proposing to revise its Rider 173 – Universal Service Program (USP) Rider, First Revised Sheet No. 117 of its IURC Gas Service Tariff, Original Volume No. 8.

NIPSCO is proposing revisions to the USP Rider to update the definition of “Hardship Customer” to include customers who fall at or below 250% of the federal poverty guidelines as issued annually by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This change will allow NIPSCO to assist a greater number of customers because more customers will be eligible to receive the funding given the tariff currently defines a Hardship Customer to include those customers who were below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines. This change is particularly important as customers are coping with the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Customer Impact: This change does not impact NIPSCO’s September 25, 2020 compliance filing in Cause No. 44094 which was an update to the USP factors for the 2020-2021 heating season since there is no need to change the forecasted number of customers used in the calculation.

Tariff Pages Affected: Original Sheet No. 117.

Staff Recommendations: Staff recommends approval.