WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 5-14-1.5-3.6 allows participation in a meeting of the governing body of a public agency via electronic communication, but requires the adoption of a policy governing participation via electronic communication by the governing body prior to conducting meetings using electronic communication; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Indiana has declared a public health emergency, urging state employees to work remotely; and

WHEREAS, the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") issues its orders at a public meeting, known as "Conference, which qualifies as a meeting of the governing body of a public agency;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Policy Governing Participation Via Electronic Communication, which is attached to the General Administrative Order as Appendix A, is adopted by this Commission.

James F. Huston, Chairman

Sarah E. Freeman, Commissioner

ABSENT

David L. Ober, Commissioner

ABSENT

Stefanie Krevda, Commissioner

David E. Ziegler, Commissioner

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

Date: MAR 18 2020

Mary M. Becerra, Secretary of the Commission
APPENDIX A

POLICY GOVERNING PARTICIPATION VIA ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

Members (also known as “Commissioners”) of the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (“Commission”) are allowed under this Policy to participate via electronic communication in Conference, the public meeting at which the Commission issues its orders, as follows:

1) Commissioners may participate in Conference via electronic communication, including via telephone conference call, after providing notice in writing (such as via email) to the Commission’s Chairman and Chief of Staff, no later than noon on the work day prior to Conference.

2) A Commissioner participating via electronic communication is considered present for the meeting, shall be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum, and may vote at the meeting.

3) If one or more Commissioners are participating via electronic communication, all votes at the meeting must be taken by roll call vote.

4) One Commissioner, or the number provided by law (currently two under Ind. Code 5-14-1.5-3.6(c)(1)(A)) if not otherwise modified, must be physically present at Conference.

5) If more than three Commissioners submit notices for the same Conference, priority will be based on time of submission.

6) This policy only applies during those times in which an emergency declaration has been made by the Governor of the State of Indiana.