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Via Email Delivery – bborum@urc.in.gov

Dr. Brad Borum, Director
Research, Policy and Planning Division
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission
PNC Center
101 West Washington Street, Suite 1500 East
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Re: Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC's 2018 Integrated Resource Plan

Dear Dr. Borum:

In accordance with 170 IAC 4-7 (“IRP Rules”), Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC (“NIPSCO”) is submitting via email transmission its redacted biennial Integrated Resource Plan (“IRP”) (Volume 1). Contemporaneous with the email transmission of its IRP, NIPSCO is providing via hand delivery two (2) copies of the redacted version of its IRP (Volume 1). NIPSCO’s IRP reflects the assessment of supply-side and demand-side resources to meet NIPSCO’s customers’ electric service needs.

The nonredacted version of NIPSCO’s biennial IRP is the subject of a petition being filed contemporaneous with this email transmission of the redacted version of its IRP. Once NIPSCO has received approval for confidential treatment of its IRP, a nonredacted version will be submitted under seal. This procedure is at the request of the Commission staff.

By copy of this letter, NIPSCO is providing to the Commission the information required by 170 IAC 4-7-2(c). The organizations or individuals NIPSCO considered to be interested parties are included on an enclosure included with this letter. This list was determined based on organizations or individuals that/who participated in this or the 2016 IRP process.

By copy of this letter, which NIPSCO is sending via electronic mail, NIPSCO notifies the interested parties that it has submitted an IRP to the Commission that is generally described above and the redacted copy of NIPSCO’s IRP can be viewed / downloaded at <https://www.nipSCO.com/irp>. The Commission invites an interested party

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to submit written comments on NIPSCO's submitted IRP. The Commission will provide notice of the IRP and the due date for the submission of written comments pursuant to the publication requirements of Ind. Code § 8-1-1-8. 170 IAC 4-7-2(e) provides for a ninety (90) day time period, or longer as determined by the Commission, to submit written comments.

In accordance with 170 IAC 4-7-2(c)(3), NIPSCO is serving via email transmission its redacted IRP (Volume 1) on the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor ("OUCC"). A nonredacted copy of NIPSCO's IRP (Volume 2) is also being provided to the OUCC pursuant to the Standard Form Nondisclosure Agreement between NIPSCO and the OUCC dated August 6, 2006.

NIPSCO has submitted an IRP that is intended to contain the information required by the Commission's IRP Rules. If the Commission, its Staff, or any interested party believes that NIPSCO's IRP needs clarification in some respect, please contact the undersigned by phone at (317) 684-4923 or via email at cjearls@nisource.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Claudia J. Earls".

Claudia J. Earls

Enclosures