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MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Commission Technical Divisions

DATE: January 14, 2022

RE: 30-Day Utility Articles for Conference on *Wednesday January 19, 2022 @ 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	50472	Northern Indiana Public Service Co. LLC (NIPSCO)	Proposal to revise Rider 173- Universal Service Program (USP) Rider	12/17/2021

Submitted By: Jane Steinhauer
Director, Energy Division

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

30-Day Filing ID No.: 50472

Date Filed: December 17, 2021

Filed Pursuant To: 170 IAC 1-6-1

Request: NIPSCO is proposing to revise its Rider 173 – Universal Service Program (USP) Rider, Second 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 a customer who qualifies for LIHEAP assistance, but is a veteran of the United States Armed Forces and/or at least age 60 as of the start of the LIHEAP heating season to receive a one-time grant per LIHEAP heating season at a maximum level set each heating season, with the grant not to exceed the customer’s past due bill at the time the grant is made, to allow NIPSCO to assist a great number of customers.

Customer Impact: The tariff revisions will allow NIPSCO to assist a greater number of Hardship Customers because of the expanded qualifications; thus, customers who may experience difficulties in paying for service will be more likely to qualify for assistance.

Tariff Pages Affected: First Revised Sheet No. 117.

Staff Recommendations: Requirements met. Staff recommends approval.