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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Commission Chairman James F. Huston

Commissioners Bennett, Freeman, Veleta and Ziegner

FROM: Commission Technical Divisions

DATE: May 17, 2024

RE: 30-Day Utility Articles for Conference on Wednesday, May 22, 2024 @ 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	50735	Frontier Midstates Inc.	To increase monthly recurring rates for Special Access Line Voiceband Facilities.	4/15/2024
2	50738	Duke Energy Indiana, LLC	An adjustment to its tariff rates under Rider No. 67 - Credits Adjustment, removing the Rate Case Remand amount previously approved June 2023 for a 12-month period.	4/22/2024
3	50739	Auburn Municipal Electric	To implement an average change in the cost of purchased power from the wholesale supplier.	4/22/2024

Submitted By: Pam Taber

Director, Communications Division

Frontier North, Inc. & Frontier Midstates, Inc. ("Frontier North Filing Party:

& Frontier Midstates")

**30-Day Filing ID No.:** 50735

Date Filed: April 3, 2024, with an Effective Date of May 15.

**Filed Pursuant To:** IC 8-1-2-88.6 & 8-1-32.5-11(c); 170 IAC 1-6; and IURC Cause Nos.

45733 & 44004.

Effective May 15, 2024, Frontier North, Inc., & Frontier Midstates, **Request:** 

> Inc., will increase their intrastate monthly recurring rates for Special Access Line Voiceband Facilities (Standard Arrangements). These rates were previously listed in the intrastate tariff as exceptions to the corresponding Frontier interstate rates and will continue as exceptions

after the increases go into effect.

**Retail Customer Impact:** These voiceband facilities are dedicated intrastate facilities

purchased by individual enterprise customers or other individual nonresidential customers on a retail basis to handle their own internal voice traffic that does not need to interconnect with the Public

Switched Telephone Network (PSTN). However, these rate increases

do not affect the general public or any residential customers.

**Tariff Page(s) Affected:** I.U.R.C. No. T-4 ("Facilities for Intrastate Access"), Section 5 – 2<sup>nd</sup>

Revised Sheet 4

Staff Recommendations: Requirements in 170 IAC 1-6 and in IURC Cause Nos. 45733 &

44004 were met. Consistent with Petitioner's request, this tariff became effective on May 15, rather than becoming effective upon filing (i.e., on April 3), as would otherwise be required under IC 8-1-32.5-11(c). However, pursuant to IC 8-1-88.6 and as affirmed in Cause No. 45733, the Commission must still review the tariff to determine its reasonableness. Staff has performed such a review and believes the requested relief to be reasonable. Accordingly, Staff recommends approval of the tariff changes designated as 30-Day Filing # 50735, with an Effective Date of May 15. The approval date will be the date of the Commission's conference at which the instant

30-day filing was approved through the Utility Articles process.

Submitted By: Jane Steinhauer

Director, Energy Division

Filing Party: **Duke Energy Indiana** 

**30-Day Filing ID No.:** 50738

**Date Filed:** April 22, 2024

Commission Order in Cause No. 45253 **Filed Pursuant To:** 

To revise Rider 67 - Credits Adjustment to remove the Rate Case **Request:** 

Remand amount previously approved for the 12 months beginning June

2023 as it will be completed June 2024.

**Customer Impact:** The table below outlines the Credit Adjustments factor applicable to

each rate group.

Retail Rate Group	Current Rate (per kWh)	Proposed Rate (per kWh)	Difference
Rate RS	(\$0.009900)	(\$0.006098)	(\$0.003802)
Rate CS	(\$0.009394)	(\$0.005952)	(\$0.003442)
Rate LLF	(\$0.007492)	(\$0.004725)	(\$0.002767)
Rate HLF	(\$0.005337)	(\$0.003473)	(\$0.001864)
Customer L	(\$0.003040)	(\$0.002285)	(\$0.000755)
Customer O	(\$0.000747)	(\$0.000464)	(\$0.000283)
Rate WP	(\$0.005420)	(\$0.003358)	(\$0.002062)
Rate SL	(\$0.003384)	(\$0.002119)	(\$0.001265)
Rate MHLS	(\$0.002712)	(\$0.001072)	(\$0.001640)
Rates MOLS and UOLS	(\$0.004445)	(\$0.002534)	(\$0.001911)
Rates FS, TS and MS	(\$0.007204)	(\$0.004631)	(\$0.002573)

Tariff Page(s) Affected: Third Revised Sheet No. 67

**Staff Recommendations:** Requirements met. Recommend approval.

Submitted By: Jane Steinhauer

Director, Energy Division

Filing Party: **Auburn Municipal Electric Department ("Auburn")** 

**30-Day Filing ID No.:** 50739

**Date Filed:** April 22, 2024

**Filed Pursuant To:** Commission Order Nos. 44472 & 44774

A revision to Wholesale Power Cost Adjustment Tracking Factors, to **Request:** 

be applied beginning with the September 2023 billing cycle.

In its most recent rate case (Cause No. 44472, Order issued December 17, 2014), Auburn was authorized to implement a two-part tracking mechanism for some rate classes to distinguish demand and energy costs. After approval, a consultant for Auburn found the tracking mechanism did not work as intended. Cause No. 44774 (Order issued July 18, 2016) was filed to remedy the problems in the original mechanism. This is the 14<sup>th</sup> filing since that Order clarifying the tracking mechanism.

The calculation of the adjustments includes the projected cost of wholesale power for April 2024 through August 2024 and the reconciliation of wholesale power purchased from January 2024

through May 2024.

**Customer Impact:** See below.

	METRIC	CHANGE	RESULTANT
Demand Metered Customers	\$/kW	0.000000	0.000000
Demand Metered Customers	\$/kWh	(0.027475)	(0.007391)
Energy-Only Metered Customers	\$/kWh	(0.027944)	(0.009282)

**Tariff Page(s) Affected:** Appendix A, page 11.

**Staff Recommendations:** Requirements met. Recommend approval.